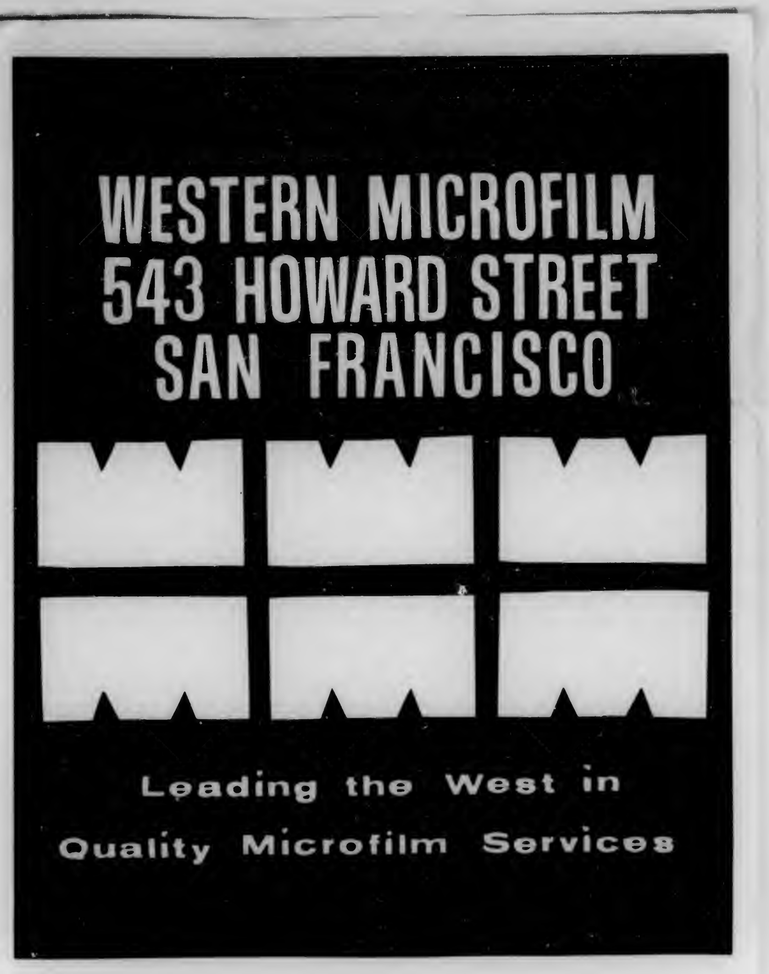

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RULES
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PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

THE PRESIDENT

Election of President

Section 1. The President of the Playground Commission shall be chosen by ballot on the first Thursday after the first day in January in each year.

Sec. 2. In the absence of the President, or in case of his inability to act, the Commission shall elect a President pro tempore, who shall possess the powers and perform the duties of the President.

Duties and Powers of President

Sec. 3. The duties and powers of the President shall be as follows:

First- To preside at the meetings of the Commission, and to preserve order and decorum.

Second- To decide all points of order, subject to an appeal to the Commission.

Third- To order a vote of the Commission to be taken in every instance where a power is exercised, by a call of the yeas and nays, or at the request of any member of the Commission, such vote to be entered in the minutes of the Commission.

Fourth- To appoint all special Committees of the Commission, unless such appointments be otherwise provided for.

Suspend employes

Fifth- To suspend any employe when deemed necessary or advisable, and to submit such action to the Commission for approval at its earliest opportunity.

Postpone meetings

Sixth- To postpone any regular or special meetings of the Commission at the written request of a majority of the members.

Sign papers

Seventh- To sign all contracts, leases and other legal documents requiring execution in the name of the Commission.

Approve bonds

Eighth- To approve the official bonds of the employes of the Commission.

Call Meetings, Inspectors, &c.

Ninth- To call meetings of Inspectors, Superintendents and Assistants.

Act for Commission

Tenth- To act for the Commission in the interim of the meetings, and to report all such action to the Commission at its next meeting, for its ratification.

MEETINGS

regular meetings

Sec. 4. The regular meetings of the Commission will be held on Thursday of alternating weeks.

Sec. 5. The hour for opening the sessions of the Commission shall be ten o'clock A. M., if a quorum be present. If a quorum be not obtained, the Commission shall stand adjourned until the next regular meeting, or until such time, prior thereto, as a majority of those present may determine.

Special meetings

Sec. 6. Special meetings may be called by the President, whenever in his judgment the needs of the Commission require them.

Sec. 7. The President, or four members may call a special meeting of the Commission; but no meeting of the

Commission shall be called on shorter notice than twenty-four hours, nor without written notices sent to each member by the Secretary, specifying the objects of the meeting; and no business shall be transacted thereat, except that for which the meeting shall have been called.

QUORUM

Quorum

Sec. 8. Four members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum, and shall be necessary for the transaction of any business.

RULES OF ORDER

Rules of order

Sec. 9. The rules of order governing the Commission shall be the same as those governing legislative bodies generally, and as contained in "Roberts' Manual."

Sec. 10. No measure or proposition shall be valid unless it be passed by four votes; provided, that motions to adjourn, to postpone, to postpone to a definite time, to reconsider, to commit, to lay on the table, to amend, or the previous question, shall require only a majority of the members present.

Sec. 11. A reconsideration can be had only at the first subsequent regular meeting, upon notice given at the meeting at which the vote was taken.

Amendment of rules

Sec. 12. Any rules adopted by the Commission may be amended or repealed by the affirmative vote of four members at any meeting, provided notice in writing of such intended amendment or repeal has been given at a previous meeting.

Sec. 13. Any rule of the Commission may be suspended by an affirmative vote of four members thereof.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Order of Business

Sec. 14. The following shall be the order of business at all regular meetings of the Commission:

1. Roll call
2. Reading and approval of minutes
3. Communications and petitions
4. Reports of Inspectors and Superintendents
5. Reports of Committees
6. Unfinished business
7. New Business
8. General discussion

RULES

It shall be the duty of the Commission and it shall have power:

1. To appoint, transfer and dismiss all employes, and to determine their rank.
2. To attend to all matters of discipline referred to it by those in authority.
3. To consider all applications for transfers or leaves of absence.
4. To adopt and revise the course of training to be pursued in the playgrounds, and from time to time

adopt such changes therein as may be deemed desirable.

5. To purchase such apparatus and other supplies as may be required.

SECRETARY OF THE PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

Sec. 15. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Commission:

1. To have charge of all records of the Commission and all papers obtained through any source.

2. To keep a full and accurate record of all proceedings of the Commission, and properly to index the same.

Collect moneys

3. To collect all rents and other moneys due the Commission, and keep an accurate account thereof in a book provided for that purpose. He shall immediately pay to the City Treasurer all moneys so collected, shall take the City Treasurer's receipt for the same, as provided by the Charter, and account to the Commission at first regular meeting thereafter.

Notify of meetings

4. To notify members of the Commission of all meetings.

Notify interested parties of Boardaction

5. To notify employes of their appointment to positions and of any action of the Commission in which they may be concerned; and to givesuch other notices as may be required of him by the Commission.

Sign documents

6. To authenticate by his signature jointly with the President of the Commission all money orders, checks, leases, contracts and other legal documents which require execution in the name of the Commission.

Certify correctness of bills

7. To examine and certify to the correctness of all bills or claims presented to the Commission for payment.

Keep accounts

8. To keep full and accurate accounts of all receipts and expenditures of the Commission in books provided for that purpose.

Make annual financial report

9. To present to the Commission, as soon as practicable after the close of the fiscal year, a balance sheet of all books and accounts kept by him.

Publish advertisements

10. To cause to be published all such advertisements as may be ordered by the Commission, or as may be required by the rules thereof.

Give bonds

11. To give a bond before entering on the discharge of his duties in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, for the faithful performance thereof.

Receive bids

12. All bids and proposals for the erection of buildings, for the furnishing of material and supplies, for printing, and for any other purposes required by the Commission, shall be received by the Secretary, at a public meeting of the Commission, and shall be opened by him at such meeting.

SUGGESTED COMMITTEES FOR PLAYGROUND COMMISSION:

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE:

To consist of a committee of three members, whose duty it shall be to arrange continual public exhibitions of educational play, to which the public shall be invited.

The following regular committees of one shall be appointed by the President upon his taking office:

Beautification of grounds

Equipment of grounds

Employes

Finance

Detail of Play- Boys Department

" " " Girls "

Sites and Buildings

We respectfully suggest that the foregoing rules be adopted as herein submitted, fully realizing that our lack of experience prevents our adding at the moment such rules as will undoubtedly appear wise for the Committee to adopt some time in the near future- for instance, rules governing the hiring of various employes, the detail management of the several playgrounds, and rules applying to ways and means, which will undoubtedly suggest themselves to members of the Committee.

Respectfully,

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Committee on Rules

JANUARY 8th, 1908

The Playground Commission held an organization meeting at the office of Hon. Edward R. Taylor, Mayor, on Wednesday afternoon, January 8th, at 4 P. M.

There were present: Mr. McCoy, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Peixotto, Mrs. Haywards and Mrs. White.

On motion of Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Haywards, Mr. Henry J. McCoy was elected President of the Board. Mr. Peixotto was asked to act as Secretary pro tem and accepted.

A motion was made and carried that a Committee of two be appointed to interview the Finance Committee of the Supervisors and report the possibility of securing sufficient funds to enable the Commission to conduct its business. The Chair appointed Mrs. White and Mr. Astredo, to act as this Committee.

A motion was made and carried that a Committee of one be appointed to secure a regular meeting place for the Commission. The Chair appointed Mr. Peixotto.

A motion was made and carried that a Committee of one be appointed to procure data about the present condition of the purchase of the land for Playgrounds.

Mr. McCoy volunteered to investigate the status of all available funds in the City Treasury that might be used by this Commission in its future work.

After informal discussion of other matters, the meeting adjourned for one week subject to the time and place to be decided upon by the Secretary pro tem.

Sidney A. Peixotto

Secretary pro tem.

JANUARY 16th, 1908

The Playground Commission met this day, January 16th, 1908, at the rooms of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Sts. Present at the meeting: Mrs. Lovell White, Mr. H. J. McCoy, Mr. Sidney Peixotto, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. J. C. Astredo, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, Mr. Thos. F. Boyle.

It was announced that the Playground Commission, with the following personnel having been duly appointed and credentialed by his honor, Edward R. Taylor, Mayor of San Francisco, would proceed to deliberate upon those matters coming within the scope of its official jurisdiction:

Mrs. Lovell White

H. J. McCoy

Sidney Peixotto

John McLaren (ex-officio)

J. C. Astredo

Mrs. L. A. Hayward

Thomas F.Boyle (ex-officio)

Mr. H. J. McCoy was chosen to act as President of the Playground Commission, and Sidney Peixotto was chosen to act as temporary secretary.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From John A. Koster, Auditor of the City and County, setting forth just what moneys had been appropriated and placed to the credit of the Playground Commission, and explaining what part of the same had been expended. Placed on File.

From the Board of Supervisors, enumerating purchase playgrounds, acquired and to be acquired, and indicating prices of same.

Placed on File.

Report received as to finances.

Discussed and placed on file.

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It was moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the Board of Education for the use of the board rooms for meeting purposes.

Seconded and carried.

It was moved that when the Commission adjourn, it adjourn to meet every Thursday at 10 o'clock, a. m., at the rooms of the Board of Education.

Seconded and carried.

It was moved that Mr. Sidney Peixotto be authorized to visit the City and County Attorney for the purpose of ascertaining the status of funds available for playground purposes.

Seconded and carried.

Moved by Mrs. White and seconded by Mr. J. C. Astredo:

Resolved, That Mr. E. C. Leffingwell, be and he is hereby appointed Secretary of the Playground Commission, to serve from January 8th, 1908, at a salary of $25.00 per month.

Adopted unanimously.

The Board then adjourned.

Sidney Peixotto

Temporary Secretary

JANUARY 23rd, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this day pursuant to adjournment for the purpose of visiting and inspecting playground sites in accordance with previous arrangements made.

There were present: Mrs. Lovell White, Mr. H. J. McCoy, Mr. Sidney Peixotto, Mr. Astredo and Mr. Thos. F. Boyle.

During the forenoon the foregoing members of the Commission visited and inspected the site at Bay and Powell streets; at a later hour Messrs. McCoy, Peixotto, Astredo and Boyle, visited and inspected the site at Seventh and Harrison Streets.

It rained very heavily during such inspections and the Commission informally adjourned to meet and consider reports etc., one week hence.

Adjourned.

E. Rossiter Pierce
Secretary.

JANUARY 30th, 1908.

The Playground Commission held its meeting this day at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Present at Roll-call: Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, Mr. H. J. McCoy, Mr. Sidney Peixotto, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. J. C. Astredo and Mr. Thos. F. Boyle.

The minutes of the meetings held January 8th, 16th and 23rd, 1908, were read and approved.

Mrs. White asked the privilege of the floor, stating that she desired to gain definite knowledge as to the means by which a compensation was to be secured for the Secretary, and how the Commission was to purchase stationery, writing materials, stamps, etc., and pay such other necessary expenses as it might have to incur. Mrs. White stated that Mr. John Behan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, had assured her that the Commission was entitled and welcome to the use of one of the City's automobiles, and that the matter of writing material and stationery had probably been disposed of in the offer of Mr. Behan to supply the same gratis.

Commissioner Boyle interposed a statement to the effect that until such time as the Playground Commission could avail itself of ready funds, the Board of Education would gladly supply yhr postage stamps needed. Mrs. White, continued then, explaining that she sought merely to ascertain exactly how matters stood, so that the Commission might proceed to effective work without the hindrance of any misunderstanding.

On motion of Commissioner Peixotto, seconded by Mrs. White, and unanimously adopted, the Secretary was directed to address a letter to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, asking that the sum of $1,000. be made immediately available for the use of the Playground Commission for incidental and necessary expenses.

It was moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Mrs. Hayward, that a committee to consist of Mrs. Lovell White and Mr. Astredo, be appointed and authorized to follow up the Secretary's letter to the Finance Committee, by personally appearing before the Finance Committee to urge that the $1,000. be set aside and be made immediately available.

The Motion was carried.

Commissioner John McLaren, in behalf of Mrs. Lovell White and himself, a Committee, reported that such committee had examined Block No. 152 at Lombard and Powell Streets, and had certain recommendations to make. He reported that it would be advisable to clear off the buildings on the northerly one half of the block, to grade the grounds, and to build a concrete wall upon three sides of the same, estimating that this work would cost about $25,000. Commissioner McLaren asked then to be informed as to the status of the tenants now to be found upon such property, stating that he had talked with one tenant who was willing to pay rental, but who, in view of the City's title and control, did not know to whom rentals might be paid. Commissioner McLaren asked that the Secretary be instructed to ascertain the exact status of such tenants, and report the rentals they had been paying, to whom, and all other details vital to the subject. After general discussion, in which Commissioner Boyle suggested that the Commission ask the Board of Supervisors to proceed to dedicate all public playgrounds to the Playground Commission, it was moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Commissioner Peixotto, as follows:

Resolved, That Mrs. L. A. Hayward, be and she is hereby appointed a Committee of one to interview the real estate firm of Madison & Burke, for the purpose of ascertaining what rentals tenants on public property at Lombard and Powell Streets have been paying, to whom, and how the Playground Commission might realize upon such rentals for the benefit of its fund.

Carried unanimously.

Mrs. White reported that Mr. Behan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, had asked her whether the Playground Commission desired to acquire the playgrounds south of Market Street at all. leaving the impression that the Board of Supervisors, would, in that event, pass finally upon the determination of the Commission and proceed to purchase properties. It was agreed that the sense of the Commission would be that the proposed playground properties at Seventh and Harrison Streets be acquired as promptly as possible

Mrs. White desired to be informed as to whether, under the law, the ex-officio members of the Playground Commission had the

right either to offer a motion or to vote upon questions, explaining that she desired clearly to understand the exact powers and duties of the Commission to the end that no error might be made in the very inception of its work.

A general discussion followed, and it was finally ordered by the unanimous consent of those present that the Secretary address a letter to the City Attorney, requesting a written opinion on the point, to report, if possible, at the next meeting.

At the suggestion of Commissioner Astredo, it was ordered that the Secretary, after perfecting arrangements with the Board of Supervisors, notify each member of the Playground Commission whenever matters affecting such Playground Commission were about to come before committees of the Board of Supervisors, or the Board as a whole. There being no objection it was so ordered.

It was moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Commissioner Peixotto, the the following resolution be adopted:

Resolved, That after an inspection of the property and its surroundings, and with the end in view of establishing thereon, an athletic field for the use of the youth of this city, the Playground Commission does herewith express its decision to proceed with and complete the purchase of the proposed playground properties at Seventh and Harrison Streets.

Carried unanimously and Secretary directed to forward copy of same to the Board of Supervisors.

President McCoy stated at this juncture that he had began an investigation as to the exact status of all the funds in the control of the Playground Commission, and in the custody of the City Treasurer, and would soon have in readiness his report.

It was moved by Commissioner Peixotto, seconded by Commissioner Astredo, that Mrs. White and Mrs. Hayward be appointed a Committee of two to pass upon and select appropriate names for the various playground holdings acquired, and to be acquired, in this city and county.

Carried unanimously.

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It was moved by Commissioner Peixotto, seconded by Mrs. White that a Committee of three be selected by the President of the Board to prepare and submit a report for the purpose of dividing of the work of the Commission, adopting permanent rules, and fixing upon the details of government under and by virtue of which the Playground Commission should operate, such report to be submitted, if possible, at the next meeting.

After brief discussion this motion was carried unanimously, and the President of the Commission appointed upon the Committee, Commissioners Thomas F. Boyle (chairman) Peixotto and Astredo.

The Commission then adjourned to meet one week hence.

E. C. Kipping Secretary.
Secretary.

FEBRUARY 6th, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this day at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, President H. J. McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners, Astredo, Peixotto, Boyle, Mrs. White, Mrs. Hayward and President McCoy.

Absent: John McLaren.

The Minutes of January 30th, 1908 were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From John E. Behan, CLerk of the Board of Supervisors, in reference to the playground property acquired and to be acquired at Lombard and Powell Streets, and in reference to the title thereto.

Placed on File.

Communications addressed to John E. Behan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, by certain property owners with holdings at Seventh and Harrison Streets, referred by Mr. Behan to Playground Commission.

Placed on File.

Communication from Walter Muma, applying for appointment to the position of Secretary of the Playground Commission.

Placed on File.

Reports of Committees:

Mrs. Hayward reported that she had visited the real estate firm of Madison and Burke, pursuant to the Commission's request that she investigate and report upon the exact status of tenants on city property at Lombard and Powell Streets, and that she had found that the city had not paid the money for the property at this point which property was to be acquired for playground purposes and that in consequence the city had no title or claim, and the Playground Commission could do nothing toward collecting rentals. Report accepted by unanimous vote of Commissioners present, and Committee discharged with thanks.

President McCoy renewed his report made at a previous meeting, in reference to the City Auditor's report, as to the moneys in the City Treasury to the credit of the Playground Commission, and the moneys already expended, the signed statement of Auditor Koster showing a

balance on hand January 11th. 1908 of $516,504.00

Accepted by unanimous vote of Commissioners present.

Committee on Rules then reported, through Chairman Astredo, that it had completed an original draft of such rules, the same being then and there submitted with the assurance that it was the intention of the Committee so to submit such rules that additions to or subtractions from the same might be made by the Commission at its pleasure. Such rules were then read by the Secretary, clause by clause, and were duly passed upon. When the clause referring to the depositing of public moneys had been amplified in accordance with suggestions made, the rules as submitted were adopted by the unanimous vote of the Commissioners present, and the report of the Committee accepted.

The Committee was discharged with thanks.

Mrs. White, in behalf of herself and Commissioner Astredo, a Committee, then reported that they had visited the Board of Supervisors and had appeared before the Finance Committee in support of the request which the Playground Commission had made in writing for an appropriation of $1,000., to be used for necessary expenses. Mrs. White informed the PLayground Commission that she had been attentively listened to, and that the Finance Committee had taken the matter under advisement.

The Secretary reported as follows:

That, pursuant to the order of the Commission communications were sent as follows: To the City and County Attorney asking that a written opinion be given as to the manner in which the Playground Commission may proceed legally to acquire actual possession and control of any and all grounds or areas acquired,or to be acquired,in this city and county, or playground purposes, defining the extent and scope of the power of the Playground Commission in disposing of all matters pertaining to public playgrounds, and in assuming control of all funds appropriated or to be appropriated for such purposes as referred to in Charter Amendment No. 12.

That, pursuant to an order of the Commission, a letter was directed to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors asking that the sum of $1,000. be immediately set aside for the use of the PLayground Commission in meeting necessary expenses; and another letter apprising the Board of Supervisors of the fact that the Playground Commission had decided to proceed at once to complete the purchase of grounds at Seventh and Harrison Streets, for the purpose of establishing there a broad athletic field.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Mrs. White, seconded by Mr. Astredo, that the Secretary be directed to send a letter to the clerk of the Board of Supervisors asking that the Playground Commission be informed of the status of the title to the proposed playground properties at Lombard and Powell Streets.

Unanimously adopted.

At the conclusion of a discussion as to the feasibility of inducing idle men to perform the labor necessary to clearing the playground property at Seventh and Harrison Streets, it was moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Mrs. Hayward:

Resolved, That a Committee of two, to consist of Mrs. Lovell White and Commissioner John McLaren, be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to arrange, if possible, with the Sisters of Charity, at North Beach, to induce men now being cared for by the Italian Benevolent Society to have such little work of clearing as was necessary, performed by such idle men gratis.

Unanimously adopted.

A broad discussion then ensued in reference to the future policy that was to be pursued by the Commission in acquiring sites for Playground purposes. Mrs. White recommended that the Board of Supervisors be asked for at least $500,000. to be set aside in the new budget for such purposes, explaining in detail the need for playgrounds in the Mission district, the Potrero which is moderately in need of a playground, Telegraph Hill, etc. Commissioners Astredo, Peixotto, Boyle and President McCoy joined in the general discussion, and the Commission was addressed at intervals by Mrs. Griffith and Mrs. Baldwin, of the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Association, both of whom spoke in behalf of certain

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definite playground projects.

At the conclusion of this general discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Astredo, that a Committee of three be appointed by the President of the Commission to at once take up the matter of land appraisements as submitted by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, to form a clear and well defined demand for an appropriation in the budget in behalf of new playgrounds and equipments, and to appear the following Saturday (February 8th) before such Board of Supervisors, there personally to urge the recommendations that should be agreed upon, After a further discussion the motion was called for and the Chair put the question with the following result:

Ayes: Mrs. Hayward, Commissioners Astredo, Peixotto, Boyle and President McCoy. Declining to vote, Mrs. White.

The President appointed the Committee as follows: Astredo (chairman), Mrs. Hayward, Commissioner Peixotto. The Secretary was directed to turn over to this Committee all data in his possession bearing upon subjects to be dealt with.

The meeting adjourned to 10 o'clock a. m., February 13th, 1908

Secretary.

FEBRUARY 13th, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this day at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Streets.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Astredo, McLaren, Peixotto, Mrs. Hayward and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Mrs. Lovell White and Thomas F. Boyle.

President McCoy in the Chair.

The Minutes of the meeting held February 6th, 1908 were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Isador B. Meyer of 3125 Washington Street, applying for position as Superintendent of Public Playgrounds.

Placed on File.

Reports of Committees:

Committee appointed at previous meeting to confer with Public Utilities Committee of the Board of Supervisors in the matter of playgrounds to be secured under contemplated bond issue, made report through Chairman Astredo who stated that the Committee had made a request in behalf of the Commission for at least $500,000., and had outlined the details of such request in the following communication placed on file with the Board of Supervisors:-

San Francisco, Feb. 8th, 1908.

to the

Public Utilities Committee

of the

Board of Supervisors.

San Francisco, Calif.

Gentlemen:

At a regular meeting of the Playground Commission held February 6th, 1908, the undersigned Commissioners were appointed a Committee to place before your honorable body the recommendations of the Playground Commission in the matter of playgrounds to be secured under the contemplated bond issue.

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After a careful investigation covering all points at issue in the matter of the location and value of proposed play ground sites we beg leave to submit for your favorable attention the following described parcels of land as being best suited for the purpose above mentioned;-

Block No. - Location		Size	Est.Value
78	Dolores-Guerrero-18-19 sts.	550 X 520 ft.	$350,000.00
59	Dolores-Church-26th-Army sts.	550 X 228 "	110,000.00
316	Iowa-Pennsylvania-19th-20th sts.	200 X 400 "	27,200.00
82	Brazil-Persia-Munich-Moscow sts.	200 X 400 "	12,800.00
			$ 500,000.00

The values above shown are for land and improvements.

These values were set after careful consideration by a body of merchants, property-owners and real estate dealers.

Reference to a city map will show the number of schools in the neighborhood of each of the above named locations and the consequent value of said land for play ground purposes.

We therefore respectfully recommend that you embody in your report a recommendation to the effect that the sum of Five Hundred Thousand ($500,000.00) Dollars be asked for in the coming bond election, this sum to be used in securing the above mentioned sites or other sites in the above mentioned neighborhoods and of a similar value, said sites to be used as Play Grounds for the children of the City and County of San Francisco.

Respectfully,

Play Ground Commissioners

" Committee to advise with

" Public Utilities Committee

" of the Board of Super

Visors.

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Miss Octavine Briggs was present and a general discussion followed in which she participated, the advisability of seeking to acquire Block No. 316, bounded by Iowa, Pennsylvania, 19th and 20th Streets, being considered, Miss Briggs expressed the hope that the Commission would not proceed to condemn the area upon which the Settlement House was located, Commissioner Astredo speaking in support of her suggestion.

The report of the Committee was received, and placed on file, and the Committee discharged with the thanks of the Commission.

Chairman Astredo, in behalf of the Committee appointed to secure appraisements of property at Seventh and Harrison Streets, reported progress. Report accepted.

Mrs. Hayward reported that she had received a telephone message from Commissioner Mrs. Lovell White, who had requested that the Commission be informed of the fact that she had communicated with a Mr. Belgrano who had pointed out the fact that the services of men to clean up playground premises might be secured from the Alsatian Fathers and not from the Sisters of Mercy. Report accepted, filed and it was the sense of the Commission that until the matter of land titles was definitely settled it would be of no avail to secure services of such men to clear playground properties of debris.

President McCoy then announced that, pursuant to the provisions of a resolution passed at a previous meeting, he desired to make known the appointment of the following permanent committees:

Beautification----------Mrs. Lovell White

Equipment----------Mr. Thos. F. Boyle

Employes----------Mr. Astredo

Finance----------President McCoy

Details of Play(Boys Dept.).--Mr. Peixotto

Detail of Play(Girls' Dept)-- Mrs. Hayward

Sites and Buildings----------Mr. McLaren

Publicity Committee (Mrs. Lovell White, Mr. Thos. F. Boyle, Mr. Peixotto)

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Commissioner McLaren, seconded by Commissioner Astredo:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the President

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of the Commission to examine the two playground areas thus far accepted by the Commission, and to report back to the Commission how much it would cost to acquire, equip and operate such playgrounds.

Ayes: Commissioners Hayward, Peixotto, McLaren, Astredo and President McCoy.

Carried.

The President appointed to serve on this Committee:

Commissioners Peixotto (Chairman), Astredo and McLaren.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Commissioner McLaren:

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to send a letter of thanks to the City Engineer for having presented the Playground Commission with a large and detailed map of the City and County of San Francisco, the same showing the playgrounds, areas, parks etc.

Ayes: Commissioners, Astredo, Peixotto, McLaren, Mrs. Hayward and President McCoy.

Carried-

The Board then adjourned to meet Thursday February 20th, 1908 at 10 o'clock a. m.

Secretary.

FEBRUARY 20th, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this day at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Streets.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, Mr. Sidney Peixotto, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. Thos. F. Boyle and President H. J. McCoy.

Absent: Mr. J. C. Astredo.

The Minutes of the meeting held February 13th, 1908 were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Mr. John E. Behan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, giving notice that the public buildings Committee of such Board had recommended that the bid of the Pcific Title Insurance Company, in the sum of $472.50 to issue reports on titles to the lots embraced in the North Beach Playground property, be accepted, and that a policy of title insurance in the sum of $243,500. on said property be taken out - that this should be accomplished in about seven weeks from date. Placed on File.

From Sister Mary Josephine, Superior of the Presentation Sisters, stating that if the Italian Benevolent Society was willing to send men to clean off lot on Powell Street at Lombard, the Presentation Sisters would give their fullest consent. Placed on File and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of the communication.

From Miss Helen Swett, applying for position as Secretary of the Playground Commission. Placed on File.

Reports of Committees:

Mrs. Lovell White, in behalf of Committee appointed to arrange for clearing off of playground property at Powell and Lombard Streets, reported progress. Report accepted.

After a brief discussion, the President appointed Commissioners Peixotto, Astredo and Mrs. Hayward to assist Mrs. White in task of preparing to clear North Beach grounds.

Commissioner Astredo sent word that he desired, in behalf of the Committee of which he was Chairman, to report progress in the matter of clearing of titles south of Market St. Accepted.

FEBRUARY 20th, 1908.

Mrs. White addressed the Chair upon the subject of the advisability of appointing a Committee on Promotion to assist and encourage all work of interesting the general public in playground projects and undertakings etc. After some discussion it was concluded by all present that the present Committee on Publicity, consisting of Mrs. White, Mr. Peixotto and Mr. Boyle, could best attend to such work.

Mrs. White asked the Commission for further instruction in the matter of following up the request made upon the Board of Supervisors for an appropriation of $1,000. for urgent necessities. Mrs. White was authorized to continue her efforts, to investigate the cause for delay on the part of the Supervisors and if possible to ascertain the views of the Playground Commission on the subject.

The Secretary was directed to obtain, if possible, use of the City's automobile for the members of the Commission to inspect playground sites on Monday or Tuesday following, the weather being clear, the automobile to report at the office of the Board of Education at 10 o'clock in the morning of the day decided upon as per the suggestion and assurance of Clerk John E. Behan of the Board of Supervisors that the car would be available.

The meeting then adjourned to meet March 5th, 1908.

Secretary.

MARCH 5th, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this date at the office of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Streets, at 10 o'clock a. m.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, Mr. Sidney Peixotto, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. J. C. Astredo and Mr. Thos. F. Boyle.

Absent: President H. J. McCoy.

The Secretary made a statement informing the members of the commission that he had received notice that President McCoy was absent from the city and could not attend the meeting.

Thos. Boyle took the Chair and called the meeting to order.

It was moved by Mrs. Lovell White, seconded by Mr. Astredo, that Mr. Boyle act as president pro tem during the absence of President McCoy.

Motion unanimously carried.

The Minutes of the previous meeting held February 20th, 1908, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS.

No communications were received.

Reports of Committees:

Mrs. Lovell White, chairman of Special Committee, reported progress in matter of endeavoring to secure through the Board of Supervisors, an appropriation of $1,000. to be set aside for the immediate current and incidental expenses of the Commission. The matter, Mrs. White stated, was scheduled to be taken up again the following day, March 6th, by the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, at which meeting Mrs. White stated that she would be present to urge a favorable consideration of the request made. There being no objection the report of progress was accepted, and Mrs. White authorized to continue the efforts of the Committee.

Commissioner Astredo, Chairman of Special Committee, reported that he had appeared before the Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors in the matter of securing an appraisement of the Playground properties lying south of Market Street. The Supervisors, said Mr. Astredo, would bear the expense of such appraisement. Report accepted as report of progress.

MARCH 5th, 1908.

Commissioner Peixotto, chairman of Special Committee, then reported upon matter of having lines fixed for playground properties north of Market Street. Report accepted as report of progress.

Commissioner Astredo reported that President McCoy, Commissioners Peixotto and McLaren, and himself, had visited and inspected playground sites in the city's automobile on March 3rd, and had profited by such inspection in the matter of prosecuting the work in hand. Report accepted and placed on File.

The Secretary was directed to forward to the Board of Supervisors, a letter of thanks for the use of the city's automobile on March 3rd.

A general discussion then ensued, all members participating in same, and touching upon the matters of developing playground properties now belonging to the City, and acquiring further areas.

The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.

MARCH 19th, 1908.

Owing to a lack of quorum, no meeting of the Playground Commission was held.

Secretary.

APRIL 2nd, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this day in regular session, at 10 o'clock a. m, President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. White, Astredo, McLaren, Thos. F. Boyle and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Peixotto and Mrs. Hayward.

The reading of the Minutes of the meetings held March 5th, and March 19th, 1908, was ordered dispensed with.

COMMUNICATIONS

No communications were received.

Under the head of unfinished business, Commissioner Astredo outlined plan to secure $3400. per annum in rentals from the playground property at Seventh and Harrison Streets, in the event of purchase of such ground being completed soon.

It was reported that the Public Buildings Committee of the Board of Supervisors had offered to Raffino & Biancihi the sum of $59,225.21 for property at Seventh and Harrison Streets, and to grant a two year lease at $230, or $250. per month. It was the sense of the meeting that this course on the part of the Supervisors be approved, and that the same course be pursued in reference to the playground property at Lombard and Powell Streets, if possible.

It was moved by Mrs. White, seconded by Mr. Boyle, that the Committee heretofore appointed for such purpose be requested to inspect playground sites at once for purpose of preparing and filing with Supervisors detailed estimate of needs for putting same into shape and installing equipment.

The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.

APRIL 23rd, 1908.

A Special Meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at 10 o'clock a. m., at the call of the President.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, Mr. Peixotto, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Boyle and President McCoy.

Absent: Mr. McLaren.

It was stated that the purpose of the special meeting was to consider estimates and figures and explain same, in reference to necessary expenditures needed for playground purposes for fiscal year 1908-1909, so that playground areas might be prepared, etc. Commissioner Astredo explained at length the details of estimate which totaled $53,077. and the subject was generally discussed by all members present.

Moved by Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Hayward, that President Casey of the Board of Public Works, and Supervisor Allan Pollok, be invited to inspect the North Beach playground at once with view to grading and fitting same for use. Unanimously adopted.

The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.

APRIL 30th, 1908.

There being no quorum, the Playground Commission adjourned to meet Thursday, May 28th, 1908.

Secretary.

MAY 28th, 1908.

A regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the office of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Streets, at 10 o'clock A. M. Present at Roll-call: Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, J. C. Astredo, Sidney Peixotto and Thomas F. Boyle.

Absent: President McCoy and Commissioner McLaren.

In the absence of the President of the Commission, Mrs. Lovell White was chosen by acclamation to preside and assumed the Chair.

The reading of the Minutes held March 5th, 19th, April 2nd, 23rd and 30th, 1908, was ordered dispensed with.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary reported that no communications had been received.

Reports of Committees:

Commissioner J. C. Astredo reported on behalf of the Committee selected to inspect and report upon playground sites, their acquisition and equipment, that immediate use of the North Beach property could be secured, the entire block being available. Mr. Astredo further reported that the Mayor would collect the rentals accruing from such properties as had been acquired but were still tenanted, which rentals would be placed in the City Treasury to the credit of the Playground Commission 's Common Fund, and could be drawn upon for immediate necessities when it came to fitting up grounds for use of children. Mr. Astredo also reported upon the work of the Board of Supervisors in acquiring playground sites, progress being noted. Report received and filed as one of progress.

Commissioners Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Sidney Peixotto reported on behalf of a committee authorized to act in such capacity that they had received Mr. Lee F. Hammer, Secretary of the International Playground Commission of America, and had enjoyed a series of profitable and successful interviews with him. Report received and filed as one of progress.

NEW BUSINESS

Under this head the following resolutions were introduced:

MAY 28th, 1908.

Moved by Commissioner Peixotto, seconded by Mrs. Hayward:

Resolved, That the Committee on Budget is hereby directed to arrange definite plans for putting all playgrounds now under control of this Commission, into condition for early use and that a report be submitted at the next meeting of this Commission showing just how this work may be taken up and carried forward, and at what expense.

(Amendment offered by Commissioner Boyle, accepted by movers of this resolution)

Resolved, That Budget Committee communicate with City Architect Newton J. Tharp, inviting him to go with members of Commission to North Beach playground site, to inspect same and estimate cost of first work of improvement necessary to early use of grounds, Committee to report at next meeting as to progress thus far made.

Ayes: Commissioners, Peixotto, Mrs. White and Thos. F. Boyle.

Nayes: Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Astredo.

Motion carried.

The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.

JUNE 11th, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this day at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of the Board of Education, S. W. Corner Pine and Larkin Streets., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, Sidney Peixotto, J. C. Astredo, John McLaren, Thomas F. Boyle and President H. J. McCoy.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary reported that no communications had been received.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Newton J. Tharp, City Architect, appeared before the Commission to explain certain diagrams and plans which he submitted in reference to the proposed bulkheading and general improvement of the North Beach playgrounds. A general discussion was held upon the subject, each member of the Commission expressing his or her views in turn. The statements made by Mr. Tharp and the plans prepared were accepted as a report of progress from the Committee and it was ordered that Commissioner John McLaren be added to such Committee which would continue in its work.

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Commissioner Mrs. White, seconded by Commissioner Astredo:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Commission are hereby extended to Commissioner John McLaren for the excellent entertainment and luncheon afforded by the latter upon the occasion of the visit of Mr. Lee F. Hammer of New York City.

Unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White:

Resolved, That the Playground Commission does hereby extend an invitation to the General Federation of Women's Clubs to meet in San Francisco two years hence, and that Commissioners Mrs. White and Mrs. Hayward, about to attend the meeting of such Federation at Boston, are authorized to extend such invitation which the Secretary of this Commission will at once set forth in a letter to be presented by Mrs. White and Mrs. Hayward.

Unanimously adopted.

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The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.

JUNE 25th, 1908.

The Playground Commissioner met in regular weekly session this day at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Streets.

There being no quorum present, the meeting adjourned.

Secretary.

JULY 2nd, 1908

The Playground Commission met this day in regular weekly session, President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners McLaren, Astredo, Boyle and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Peixotto, Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White.

The reading of the Minutes of the meetings held on March 5th, 19th, April 2nd, 23rd, 30th, May 28th, June 11th and June 25th, 1908, was ordered dispensed with.

COMMUNICATIONS

Report was received from City Architect Newton J. Tharp, estimating the cost of retainingwall, plumbing, grading, sidewalks, etc. at North Beach Playgrounds - cost to approximate $15,000.00

NEW BUSINESS

Moved by Commissioner Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Astredo

Resolved, That the Secretary be and he is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for certain work and grading to be done at North Beach Playgrounds (exclusive of sidewalks) according to plans and specifications prepared by City Architect Newton J. Tharp, sealed proposals to be opened in accordance with the provisions of the Charter, such advertisement to become effective upon Committee accepting and approving plans and specifications.

Unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Commissioner Boyle

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to pass upon plans and specifications, and authorize the publication of advertisement.

Adopted unanimously.

The President appointed Commissioners Astredo and Boyle and himself to serve on such Committee.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Commissioner McLaren:

Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to ascertain from the Auditor, tatus of Playground Commission funds.

JULY 2nd, 1908.

Adopted unanimously.

Commissioner Astredo reported upon the swimming tank at North Beach Playgrounds as follows:

Chief of Fire Department will assure $12,000.00, being given toward erection of tank. The City Engineer also concurs.

A report was also received conveying the approval of the Mission Improvement Club regarding the plan to lease small areas in the Mission, such areas to be fenced in for temporary use of keeping boys off the street.

Report received and accepted as Report of Progress.

The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.

JULY 30th, 1908.

A meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of the Board of Education, southwest corner Pine and Larkin Streets.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Boyle and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Commissioners Astredo and Peixotto.

The Minutes of the meetings held March 5th, 19th, April 2nd, 23rd, 30th, May 28th, June 11th, June 25th and July 2nd, 1908, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Secretary reported that no communications had been received.

City Architect, Newton J. Tharp, appeared before the Commission and submitted detailed plans and specifications for the grading of the North Beach Playgrounds, placing in position of concrete walls, sewers, etc. The same were examined at great length and details discussed.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren, seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White:

Resolved, That the plans and specifications prepared and submitted by the City Architect, and providing for the erection of concrete retaining walls, sewers, etc. and the grading of the site at the North Beach Playgrounds, Powell and Lombard Streets, are hereby accepted and approved, and the President and the Secretary of this Commission are authorized and directed to affix upon same the stamp of approval of the Playground Commission, and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary be and he is hereby directed to proceed to advertise for sealed proposals for the following out of such plans and specifications and the accomplishment of the improvements therein contemplated, such advertisement to be placed in accordance with law, in the official newspaper of the municipality, bids to be opened at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning, August 20th, 1908, subject to the usual conditions governing the procedure.

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Ayes: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, McLaren, Boyle and President McCoy.

Unanimously adopted.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren, seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White:

Resolved, That the City Architect, is hereby requested to provide a complete set of blueprints showing plans for imporvement of North Beach Playground, a copy to be forwarded to each member of this Commission.

Ayes: Commissioners Mrs. White, Mrs. Hayward, McLaren, Boyle and President McCoy.

Unanimously adopted.

The meeting then adjourned.

E. P. Taggart
Secretary.

AUGUST 13th, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this day at 10 o'clock a. m., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners, Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, J. C. Astredo, John McLaren, Sidney Peixotto and President H. J. McCoy.

Absent: Thos F. Boyle.

The Minutes of July 30th, 1908, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From the Board of Supervisors in reference to the closing of Greenwich Alley, in fifty vara block number 152.

Referred to New Business.

From the Playground Association of America, requesting the appointment of Local Chairman for Playground Congress.

Referred to New Business.

From Horace G. White, applying for position as Secretary of Playground Commission, succeeding E. C. Leffingwell, resigned.

Referred to New Business.

From E. C. Leffingwell, Secretary of the Playground Commission, tendering resignation. Referred to New Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Under this head the following resolutions were introduced:

Motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Commissioner Astredo.

Resolved, That a special meeting of the Playground Commission be held on Thursday, August 20th, 1908, at ten o'clock, a. m.,for the purpose of opening sealed proposals for proposed improvement to North Beach Playground.

Unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Commissioner Astredo:

Resolved, That the Secretary is directed to inquire of the City Architect as to a charge made for blueprint drawings, etc., and to request the City Architect to provide each member of the

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Commission with a copy of plans and specifications for the North Beach Playground.

Unanimously adopted.

Motion by Commissioner Peixotto, seconded by Mrs. White:

Resolved, That the Playground Commission does herewith petition the Board of Public Works to proceed at once to close Greenwich Alley, located in fifty vara block number 152, acquired by the City and County of San Francisco for playground purposes, such areas to be closed under the provision of Section 27 of Chapter II Article VI of the Charter.

Unanimously adopted.

Motion by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Mrs. Hayward.

Resolved, That the President of this Commission appoint a special Committee of two, for the purpose of following up and expediting the matter of closing Greenwich Alley, located in fifty vara block number 152.

Unanimously adopted.

President McCoy thereupon announced the appointment of Commissioners Astredo and Mrs. White, upon this Committee.

Motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Commissioner Astredo:

Resolved, That Commissioner Sidney Peixotto is hereby appointed the Local Representative of the Playground Association of America.

Unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Mrs. Hayward:

Resolved, That the resignation of E. C. Leffingwell, as Secretary of the Playground Commission, be and the same is hereby accepted with regret, the same to take effect September 1st, 1908.

Unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Commissioner Astredo:

Resolved, That Horace G. White, be and he is hereby appointed Sec-

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retary of the Playground Commission, succeeding E. C. Leffingwell, resigned, such appointment to take effect September 1st, 1908, at a monthly salary of Fifty ($50.00) Dollars.

Unanimously adopted.

Motion by Commissioner McLaren, seconded by Mrs. White:

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Playground Commission be required to file a surety bond in the sum of One Thousand ($1,000.00) Dollars.

Unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mrs. White, seconded by Commissioner McLaren:

Resolved, That the President of this Commission appoint a Committee of two, with power to investigate and follow up the matte of securing the revenues collected as rental on playground properties.

Unanimously adopted.

President McCoy thereupon appointed Commissioners Peixotto and McLaren to serve on such Committee.

Motion by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Commissioner McLaren:

Resolved, That the City Attorney is hereby requested to advise this Commission in writing as to the right and power of the Commission to collect as revenues and to expend, moneys due from citizens as rentals on playground properties.

Unanimously adopted.

The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.

AUGUST 20th, 1908

The Playground Commission met this day in special session, for the purpose of opening sealed proposals for making improvements at the North Beach playground, Lombard and Powell Streets.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White, Thos.F.Boyle, John McLaren and President H. J. McCoy, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, Mr. J. C. Astredo and Sidney Peixotto.

President McCoy in the Chair.

The President announced the purpose for which the special session had been called.

At ten o'clock, it was announced by the Secretary that no further bids would be received.

The following bids were then received and opened:

L. J. Mensch:

Certified check for $2500; amount of bid- $24,350.

Lindgren Company:

Certified check for $2000: amount of bid- $20,000.

Healy Tibbets Construction Company:

Certified check for $2600: amount of bid- $23,900.

Wm. Bruce:

Certified check for $1600; amount of bid- $16,375.

McCheehy Bros.

Certified check for $2000; amount of bid $19,944.

F. H. Born:

Certified check for $2500;amount of bid- $24,987.

John Spargo:

Two certified checks totaling $2200; amount of bid- $21,500.

Moved by Commissioner Boyle, seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White:

Resolved, That all of the bids received save and excepting bid filed by Wm. Bruce in the sum of $16,375, be and the same are hereby rejected as exorbitant.

Unanimously adopted.

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Moved by Commissioner Boyle; seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White:

Resolved, That the bid of Wm. Bruce in the sum of $16,375, is hereby taken under advisement, and that the Secretary is directed immediately to return the certified checks deposited by the remaining six bidders.

Unanimously adopted.

The meeting then adjourned.

Secretary.

AUGUST 27, 1908.

A meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at 10 o'clock a. m., President H. J. McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. Hayward, Peixotto, McLaren, Astredo, Thos.F. Boyle and President McCoy.

The Minutes of the meetings held August 13th and 20th, 1908, were read and approved.

Communications

Correspondence was placed on file to be read at the next meeting..

NEW BUSINESS

Under this head the following resolutions were introduced:

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the bid of $16,375.00 made by Wm. Brice for work to be done on North Beach Playground be rejected and certified check covering same be returned.

Seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White and carried unanimously.

Presented by Commissioner Boyle who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Commission ask for bids on the cost of grading, concrete work and toilets on the North Beach Playground, and also to get separate bids for grading, concrete work and toilets.

Seconded by Commissioner McLaren and unanimously adopted:

Commissioner Astredo recommended that the word "Toilets" be eliminated from the above motion.

As this suggestion was approved,the motion as amended was unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Mrs. White, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That President McCoy be appointed a Committee of one to call on City Architect Tharp, and ascertain his opinion in regard to eliminating the iron from concrete work in the revised plans and specifications for North Beach Playground, and to report on same at next meeting.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto and unanimously adopted.

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Presented by Commissioner Peixotto who moved its adoption:

Whereas, The Playground Commission upon its organization, appointed Mr. E. C. Leffingwell the Secretary thereof, and

Whereas, The said E. C. Leffingwell has rendered the services as Secretary from January 8th, 1908 to September 1st, 1908, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Commission does hereby order and approve the payment of the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty ($250.00) Dollars, the same being in full for all services rendered by the said E. C. Leffingwell to September 1st, 1908, and that a demand be drawn in accordance therewith.

Seconded by Commissioner McLaren and unanimously adopted.

Commissioners Mrs. White and Mrs. Hayward were appointed as a Committee to inspect the conditions of the South of Market St. Playground

An informal discussion was then held regarding the future work of the Commission. It was decided to hurry the work outlined as much as possible.

The meeting adjourned to meet September 10th, 1908.

Secretary.

The signature of Horace G. White, Secretary of the Playground Commission is attached herewith and to the 3 subsequent meetings by the Acting Secretary, Mr. E. C. Leffingwell, because of the death of Mr. White.

SEPTEMBER 10th, 1908.

A meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at 10 o'clock A. M.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mcleran and Mrs. Hayward.

There being no quorum present, the meeting adjourned.

Horace G. White
By
Secretary.

SEPTEMBER 17,1908.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at 10 o'clock a. m., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Mclaren Mr. Peixotto, and President H. J. McCoy.

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As this meeting was especially called for the opening of bids for the proposed work on the North Beach Playground, all other business was set aside.

The following bids were submitted accompanied by the necessary certified checks covering same. -

John Spargo		$10,450.00
McSheehy Bros.	(grading balance of work)	5,512.00 9,379.00
C. S. Harney		17,500.00
Wm. Bruce	(excavating) (concrete work)	3,700.00 11,700.00
Keystone Construction Co.	(grading) (Concrete Work)	4,900.00 12,569.00
Healy & Tibbets	(grading)	5,500.00 8,827.00

Presented by Commissioner McLaren who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the contract for work on the North Beach Playground, be awarded to the lowest bidder, John Spargo, on condition that he sign a contract in compliance with the specifications as set forth by the City Architect, Newton J. Tharp.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner McLaren who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to draw up a contract in duplicate under the supervision of City Architect Tharp, to be signed by John Spargo, one copy of the contract to be given to John Spargo and the other to be filed in this office.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto and unanimously adopted.

The meeting then adjourned. (at 10.50 a. m.)

Secretary.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1908.

A meeting of the Playground Commission was held this date, at 10:15 o'clock, a. m., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll Call: Commissioners McCoy, McLaren, Astredo, Boyle and Peixotto.

The Minutes of the meetings held August 27, September 10 and 17, 1908 were read and approved.

Next in order of business was the reading of the contract on the North Beach Playground, the bid for which was awarded to John Spargo.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be authorized to sign the contract covering award made to John Spargo, for work at the North Beach Playground.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto and adopted unanimously.

Presented by Commissioner McLaren, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That no change be made in the specifications of the above mentioned work, except in writing.

Seconded by Commissioner Astredo and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Peixotto, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to advertise for bids covering the sale and removal of frame buildings located on the easterly half of the North Beach Playground site.

Seconded by Commissioner Boyle and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Boyle, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to take charge of the work on the North Beach playgrounds and also to represent the Commission in any points which may arise regarding this work.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto and unanimously adopted.

The President appointed Commissioners Astredo and McLaren to serve on this Commitee.

Commissioner Astredo requested that the following statement be made of record:

That he opposed hiring the Secretary at an increased salary to give his entire time to playground work, and stated that when the proper appropriation was made, he would be glad to reconsider this statement.

Presented by Commissioner McLaren, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary be appointed to oversee the work to be done at the North Beach Playground, and that his salary be increased to $125.00 per month, during the time he shall perform this extra service.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Peixotto, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to consult the City Architect in regard to beautifying the South of Market Playground.

Seconded by Commissioner Astredo and unanimously adopted.

The President appointed Commissioners McLaren and Peixotto to act on this Committee.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary be authorized to communicate with the Board of Police Commissioners, requesting that no saloon be allowed within one hundred and fifty feet of any playground.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto and unanimously adopted:

Presented by Commissioner Peixotto who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the following bills for printing, stationery and Secretary's salary, be and the same are hereby approved, allowed and ordered paid:

Phillips & Van Orden	$6.50
"Evening Post"	21.60
Brown & Power Co.	6.
Pacific Coast Blueprint Co.	3.50
Secretary's salary for month of September.	50.
Total,.....	$146.60

Seconded by Commissioner AStredo, and unanimously adopted.

Reports of Committees

The following report was presented by Commissioner Astredo:

"San Francisco,Sept.29,1908.

To the Playground Commission,
San Francisco,
California.

Gentlemen:-

Permit me to present the following report:

The Buildings Committee of the Board of Supervisors advise me that they have entered into definite agreement with the firm of Raffino and Bianchi whereby for a cash payment the property is to be secured to the City at the end of a two year period, said time elapsing in 1910; that said firm is to pay to the City the sum of $250.00 per month for a period of 18 months and that the last six months of their lease hold is to be rent free in consideration of their removing all personal property from the said lot.

That no satisfactory arrangement is at the moment completed with either the Cook Estate or the Schmeidell Estate and that the City Attorney has been instructed by the Board of Supervisors to institute condemnation proceedings.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) A. C. Astredo,

Playground Commissioner. "

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:45 A. M.

Secretary.

OCTOBER 8, 1908.

The Board of Playground Commissioners met this date in regular weekly session, at 10 o'clock, a. m., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Peixotto, Mr. Boyle, Mr. McLaren and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioner Mrs. Lovell White.

The Minutes of the meeting held September 24th, 1908 were read and approved.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That this meeting does now adjourn, out of respect to the memory of the late Horace G. White, Secretary of the Playground Commission, and that the Acting Secretary of this meeting is directed to communicate with the widow of the deceased, expressing the profound sympathy of the members of this Commission.

The meeting then adjourned.

Acting Secretary.

OCTOBER 15, 1908.

The Board of Playground Commissioners met this date at ten o'clock, a. m., at the office of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Streets.

Present:	Commissioners	Mrs. Lovell White Mr. J. C. Astredo Mr. Sidney Peixotto Mr. Thos. F. Boyle
Absent:		Mrs. L. A. Hayward Mr. John McLaren Pres. H. J. McCoy.

Upon request of the Commissioners present, Mrs. Lovell White assumed the Chair, in the absence of President McCoy.

The Chairman announced that the meeting had been called as a special meeting, for the purpose of receiving and opening sealed proposals for the purchase and removal of buildings on the easterly one-half of the North Beach Playground, and because of this special order of business, the reading of minutes of the meeting held October 8th, 1908, and the presentation of communications were dispensed with.

The Acting-Secretary announced that no bids had been received.

Presented by Commissioner Boyle, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary is hereby directed to arrange with H. G. McKannay, Secretary to the Mayor, for an auction sale to be held as early as possible at the North Beach playground, for the disposition of buildings upon such ground.

Seconded by Commissioner Astredo, and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the proposal of E. K. Pearson, #2374 Bryant Street, a contractor, to move the cottage building from the east side of the Greenwich Street alley to the west side of such alley, for the sum of $160.00, be accepted, and that Mr. Pearson be notified to this effect.

Seconded by Commissioner Boyle and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary notify the gas and water companies immediately to remove the gas and water pipes now on the east side of the North Beach Playground on Powell Street between Greenwich and Lombard Sts.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto, and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Boyle, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Chairman of this meeting appoint a committee of two for the purpose of drafting resolutions following the death of Horace G. White, Secretary of the Playground Commission.

Seconded by Commissioner Peixotto and unanimously adopted.

Mrs. Lovell White, Chairman, then appointed Commissioners Peixotto and Boyle as a committee to draft such resolutions.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Board of Playground Commissioners does hereby respectfully petition the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors, to authorize His Honor, Edward R. Taylor, Mayor, to proceed to sell at public auction certain shack buildings and structures now to be found on the easterly one-half of the area known as the North Beach Playground, at Lombard and Powell Streets.

The meeting then adjourned.

Acting-Secretary.

O CTOBER 22, 1908

The Board of Playground Commissioners met this day at ten o'clock, a.m., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at roll-call: Commissioners: Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, Mr. Boyle, Mr. Astredo, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Peixotto and President McCoy.

The Minutes of October 8th and 15th, 1908 were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Mrs. Isabel M. Fleischer, Warren Manley, J. C. Edwards, J W. Hobson and A. C. Perkins, applying for appointment to Secretaryship of Commission. Referred to New Business.

From the Courtland Avenue Improvement Association, in reference to establishing a playground in such district. Referred to Commissioner Astredo.

Commissioner Astredo reported that at the North Beach Playground, the house to be used by Superintendent had been moved and the foundations placed under same, and that the auction of useless buildings on North Beach playground sites had been arranged for with the Mayor's office.

Commissioner Astredo further reported that he had taken up with the Board of Fire Commissioners the matter of a swimming tank on the North Beach Playground.

It was ordered by President McCoy that Commissioner Astredo continue as a committee of one to follow up the matter of a swimming tank at the North Beach Playground.

Commissioner Mrs. White made inquiry about the status of the 7th and Harrison Streets playground.

Commissioner Peixotto reported having taken up the matter with City Architect Newton J. Tharp. Report received was one of Progress.

President McCoy appointed Commissioners Mrs. White and Mrs. Hayward, a committee of two, to interview City Architect Newton J. Tharp in reference to providing accommodations for girls at the 7th and Harrison Streets playground.

NEW BUSINESS

Under this head the following resolutions were adopted:

Commissioners Peixotto and Boyle presented the following resolutions as a report of Committee, and moved and seconded that the same be adopted:

Whereas, In the inscrutable wisdom of Almighty God, death has taken away in the prime of his life, Horace G. White, Secretary of the PlaygrOund Commission of San Francisco, bringing to his loved ones unspeakable sorrow, and to his many friends and associates profound grief, and

Whereas, in his brief tenure as Secretary of this Board, Horace G. White had come to command the respect and confidence of those with whom he dealt and had, by reason of his cheerful disposition, his deep interest in the duties assigned to him, his loyalty, his clean and upright principles, his faithfulness to those dependent upon him and to his fellow citizens alike, won a permanent place in the hearts of those who knew him, therefore be it

Resolved, That the Board of Playground Commissioners, in meeting assembled, does t is day and in this manner, express its sincere regret at the untimely passing of so conscientious and lovable a young man, whose death is a distinct loss to this Depart - ment and to a community which some day might have been greatly benefited by his services, and be it further

Resolved, That the Acting Secretary of this Board is hereby directed to spread upon the Minutes this resolution of regret, and to forward copies of the same to the bereaved relatives of the deceased and to the public press.

Unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Mrs. White, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the matter of appointing a Secretary of this Commission be hereby postponed until the next regular meeting, two weeks hence, and that in the mean time the acting-Secretary is

directed to summon Messrs. Sweeney, Manley, Edwards, Hobson and Perkins from among the present applicants, to attend such meeting for the purpose of discussing in person their special fitness and qualifications.

Seconded by Commissioner Mr. McLaren and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Acting-Secretary forward a communication to Jerome Smith of Stockton, Cal., requesting permission to use his lot lying east of the Mission Park, free, for a baseball area.

Seconded by Commissioner McLaren, and unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned.

E. C. Ingersoll

Acting-Secretary.

NOVEMBER 5th, 1906.

The Board of Playground Commissioners met this day at 10 o'clock, a. m., corner of Pine and Larkin Sts., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll call: Commissioners Mrs. White, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Peixotto, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Boyle and President H. J. McCoy.

The Minutes of the meeting held October 22nd,1906, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Mrs. Horace G. White, thanking the Board of Playground Commissioners for expressions od sympathy because of death of her husband, the late Horace White.

Placed on File.

From the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, acknowledging receipt of order to move two poles on north side of North Beach Playground. Placed on File.

From the San Francisco Gas and Electric Company, giving notice that they did not own poles on north side of North Beach Playground.

Placed on File.

From John E. Behan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, giving notice that merchants' demands drawn by Playground Commission would have to be submitted to and passed by the Board of Supervisors. Referred to City Attorney.

From James W. Doherty of San Francisco, giving notice that the property of J. J. Smith of Stockton, Cal., adjacent to the Mission Park was for sale and could not be used for amateur baseball purposes. Placed on File.

From J. W. Sweeney, applying for position as Secretary.

Placed on File.

From R. S. Teller, Chairman State Central Republican Committee, Arthur B. Langford, Sheriff Santa Clara County,

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W. C. Van Fleet, Judge United States Circuit Court endorsing application of Mr. Warren Manley, applicant for position as Secretary.

Placed on File.

From David Starr Jordan, President Stanford University, recommending Harry J. Edwards for position as Secretary of Playground Commission.

Placed on File.

From Henry S. Curtis, Secretary Playground Association of America, Washington, D. C., applying for position as Secretary of Playground Commission. Placed on File.

From Paul A. McCarthy, again applying for appointment as Secretary of Playground Commission. Placed on File.

Applicants for appointment to position of Secretary of Playground Commission were personally interviewed in their turn by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Under this head the following resolution was adopted:

Presented by Mrs. White, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the matter of appointing a Secretary be laid over until the next regular meeting of this Commission, and that in the meantime the members of the Commission interview Mayor Edward P. Taylor upon the subject.

Seconded by Mrs. Hayward and carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners, Mrs. White, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. McLaren and President McCoy.

Noes: Commissioners, Mr. Peixotto and Mr. Boyle.

Carried.

Commissioner Astredo reported that the Telephone poles adjacent to the North Beach Playground and interfering with the improvement thereof had not yet been removed, but that the buildings on the grounds had been auctioned off by the Mayor's Office.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That Commissioner McLaren is hereby given authority forthwith to remove the poles to be found at the North Beach Playground, and

interfering with the improvement thereof.

Seconded by Commissioner Boyle and carried unanimously.

The meeting then adjourned.

Acting-Secretary.

The Board of PLayground Commissioners met this day at ten o'clock, a. m., at the southwest corner of Pine and Larkin Streets, President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, Mr. Astredo, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Boyle and President McCoy.

Absent: (on leave) Commissioner Peixotto.

The Minutes of the meeting held November 5th, 1908, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From E. E. Lawrence, 479 Church Street, applying for position as Superintendent and Care-taker of the North Beach Playground.

Secretary directed to reply that the Board was not in readiness to make such appointment as yet.

From Commissioner Sidney S. Peixotto, giving notice of his intention to be Absent from the City and County for a period of sixty days.

Referred to New Business

From the Pacific Tel. and Tel. Co., in reference to poles at the North Beach Playground. Placed on File.

Commissioner Astredo reported that pursuant to resolution, and under the provisions of the Charter, the old buildings to be disposed of on the North Beach Playground had been sold at auction by the Mayor, and that the sum of $12.50 had been realized.

Commissioner Mrs. White, in behalf of the Committee on Beautification, reported that a water supply at the North Beach Playground was required at once.

Mrs. White further reported that all the old houses not at present under lease should be removed from the North Beach Playground, and that a sesspool found in the center of the area, being twenty feet deep, was now being filled up.

Mrs. White recommended that Chas. Mulford Robinson be invited to inspect the playground areas in this City and make recommendation, upon some date to be selected.

Mrs. White further recommended that the playground located at Lombard and Powell Streets be oficially named the North Beach Playground,

and reported that the name to be given the area at 7th and Harrison Streets was held in abeyance.

NEW BUSINESS

Under this head the following resolutions were introduced.-

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That Commissioner Sidney Peixotto is hereby granted a leave of absence, as per his application, for a period of sixty days from date,

Seconded by Commissioner Mrs. Hayward and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Mrs. White, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the area at Lombard and Powell Streets is hereby oficially named the North Beach Playground.

Seconded by Commissioner Mrs. Hayward, and unanimously Adopted.

Presented by Commissioner McLaren, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That two of the old buildings now located on the North Beach Playground be at once removed therefrom, and that the Secretary is hereby authorized to take appropriate action to that end.

Seconded by Commissioner Astredo and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That a committee of one, to interview the City Attorney in reference to an opinion as to the manner in which Merchants' demands are to be audited by the Playground Commission, be appointed.

Seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White, and unanimously adopted.

President McCoy thereupon appointed Mrs. L. A. Hayward to act as the Committee of One.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary is hereby directed to request the Board of Health and the Chief of Police to take steps to prevent the dumping of garbage and refuse on the playground property at Lombard and Powell Streets.

Seconded by Commissioner Mrs. Hayward and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Boyle, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That Mrs. White and Mrs. Hayward be appointed a Committee to interview City Architect Tharp in reference to the playground at 7th and Harrison Streets.

Seconded by Commissioner Astredo and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Mrs. White, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary is hereby directed to request City Architect Tharp for blueprint copies of plans for the improvement to the North Beach Playground, same to be published in the Municipal Record and in an Italian journal.

Seconded by Commissioner Astredo, and unanimously adopted.

President McCoy announced that the matter of electing a Secretary of the Commission, to succeed the late Horace G. White, was in order.

Presented by Commissioner Boyle, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That John W. Sweeney be and he is hereby appointed Secretary of the Playground Commission, for a period of thirty days, to date from December 1st, 1908 to January 1, 1909, at a salary of $50.00 per month.

Seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White, and unanimously adopted.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That John W. Sweeney is hereby appointed Inspector of the North Beach Playground, at a salary of $75.00 per month, his duties being to check up work being done under contract, on such play-

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ground, and to report upon materials supplied, this appointment to take effect upon John W. Sweeney assuming his duties as such Inspector.

Seconded by Commissioner Boyle and unanimously adopted.

The Secretary was directed to see that the Playground Commission was properly represented in the weekly reports embraced in the Municipal Record.

The meeting then adjourned.

Acting-Secretary.

DECEMBER 3, 1908.

Board of Education, Assembly Room,
Pine and Larkin Streets.

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The Playground Commission was called to order on above stated date and in above stated room.

Roll-call:

Present: Commissioners, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, J. C. Astredo, John McLaren and President H. J. McCoy.

Excused: Commissioners Sydney Peixotto and Thos. F. Boyle.

Absent: Commissioner Mrs. Lovell White.

The Chair announced a quorum present.

The Minutes of the meeting held November 18th, 1908, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From the Mayor, with enclosure from Health Officer R. G. Brodrick, M. D., calling attention to conditions existing on the unimproved part of North Beach Playground.

The Secretary reported that the requests couched in said letter were being complied with.

From Newton J. Tharp, City ARchitect, explaining difficulties anent possibility of furnishing plans acceptable for publication. The Secretary was instructed to inform Supervisor A. H. Giannini, and offer to furnish the limited map of designs.

From E. P. Cubberly, seeking place with the Commission.

Secretary instructed to reply announcing the newness of said Commission.

From Chief of Police, W. J. Biggy, stating his willingness to co-operate with the Commission in keeping North Beach Grounds clean.

Placed on File.

From Warren Manley, requesting return of testimonials.

Granted.

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From Miss M. A. Caradonna, applying for Stenographer's position. Placed on File.

Bills

The following bills were allowed, viz:

E. K. Pearson	$160.
Pacific Blue Print Co.	10.85
Evening Post	20.40
Evening Post	14.40
L. Ravani	60.35

Committee Report

Commissioner Mr. Astredo, reported progress on North Beach Playground, and necessity of laying rough plumbing before concrete is laid in toilet and dressing room floors. The matter was referred to Commissioner Astredo and Secretary for consultation with City Architect Newton J. Tharp.

Commissioner Mrs. L. A. Hayward reported that, together with Commissioner Mrs. Lovell White, she conferred with City Architect Mr. Newton J. Tharp, anent the beautification of the Seventh and Harrison Streets Playground, and the Architect will enter with full spirit upon the work.

Superintendent McLaren, from Committee of Sites, requested a ground plan of occupied, unoccupied and otherwise City owned property, together with prospective property yet to be purchased, to complete the Seventh and Harrison Street Playground. The Secretary promised to make same, also to get levels of Section now being improved on the North Beach Playground.

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NEW BUSINESS

A letter from City Architect, Mr. Newton J. Tharp, condemning wall construction of Powell and Greenwich, giving details of inefficient work and other violayions of Specifications, was read, discussed and on motion of Commissioner Mr. McLaren, the Secretary was ordered to stop further work until the Contractor, Mr. Spargo, reached an understanding with City Architect Mr. Tharp.

The Commission further declined to allow bill of account presented by Mr. Spargo, pending an agreement between himself and City Architect.

By motion of Commissioner Mr. McLaren, the Secretary was instructed to take steps through the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor, to sell and have later removed, the two story frame building numbered 806 Montgomery Avenue.

A general exchange of views anent the upbuilding of improvements followed, but nothing decisive following, the Commission adjourned at 11:30 A. M., to meet December 17, 1908, at 10 A. M.

Eno W. Twomey
Secretary.

DECEMBER 17, 1908.

The Playground Commission met this day at 10:15 A. M, President McCoy in the Chair.

The meeting was called to order in the rooms of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Streets.

Present at roll-call: Commissioners, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, J. C. Astredo, John McLaren, Sydney Peixotto and President H. J. McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Thos. F. Boyle and Mrs Lovell White.

Minutes of meeting held December 3rd, 1908, were read and approved.

Communications

Communications were received as follows:

Application from Mr. H. Ravani for caretaker, presented, and ordered filed.

From E. W. Reed, of the Courtland Avenue Improvement Club, informing Secretary of purpose to have ideas of Commission explained, in an address to be delivered on a future date.

From Mr. P. E. Davidson, of Stanford,

Referred to Secretary for reply.

Bills

J. W. Sweeney, carfare and help $4.75

J. Spargo, part payment on Contract 4,000.00

The following vote was taken:

Ayes: Commissioners, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Peixotto and President McCoy.

Bill of H. S. Crocker for stationery, etc., referred to Stationery Clerk of Board of Supervisors.

Committee Report

Commissioner Mr. Astredo reported interviewing City Architect and had a complete understanding anent the wall construction of North Beach Playground, and following same the Contractor was ordered to tear out such work in progress and comply with specifications. This, the contractor agreed to do, and at the same time the other work about completed, and doubted, must stand for

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one year before being allowed payment for same.

The Secretary reported that Committee on Public Buildings, Board of Supervisors, would consider a requisition for equipping the office quarters in the North Beach Playgrounds.

Commissioner Mrs. Hayward was appointed in conjunction with the Secretary to investigate and recommend the requirements.

Commissioners Mr. Astredo and Mr. McLaren were delegated to inquire into the limitations of Commissioners demands upon the funds appropriated, and what form is necessary in following out the law.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Mr. Astredo, called up the question of placing the Playground Bond Issue before the Board of Supervisors.

President McCoy and Mr. Astredo were selected to act in behalf of Playground Commission.

Mr. Astredo paid over to the Commissioners a check for ten ($10.00) Dollars as payment for a sale made on the North Beach Playground.

The Secretary was instructed to pay the said ten ($10.00) Dollars into the City Treasury.

Mr. Astredo moved, and it was unanimously carried, that the Secretary address a letter to Mr. H. E. Huntington of the Jonathan Club, Los Angeles, Cal., requesting permission to use vacant lot on the corner of Sacramento and Taylor Streets, for a children's playground; and the Commission stand ready to vacate whenever owner desired.

Mr. Astredo moved, and it was unanimously carried, that the Secretary make out a financial statement of Playground Fund, and present same the last meeting of each month.

Mr. Astredo moved, and it was unanimously carried, that structure now condemned and vacant, situated off west side of former Greenwich Alley, be offered to the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Association, with condition the removal be made immediately.

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Mr. Hutton, Probation Officer, was present and asked to have a section of the 7th and Harrison Streets Playground, set off as a baseball ground.

Commissioners, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Peixotto were delegated to arrange for the same.

A general discussion followed, along the lines of advanced work, and at the hour of 11:12 A. M., adjourned to meet Thursday, December 31, 1908, at 10 A. M.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

DECEMBER 31 , 1908.

The Playgroumd Commission met this day at 10 a. m., Corner Pine and L Larkin Streets.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners, Mrs. White, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Boyle and Mr. Peixotto.

There being no quorum, the meeting adjourned 10:30 a. m.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

JANUARY 14, 1909.

The Playground Commission met this day in regular weekly session, at 10:15 A. M., President McCoy in the Chair.

Meeting held in the Assembly room of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Sts.

Present at Roll-call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Astredo, Mr. O'Connor and President McCoy.

Absent: Mrs. White and Mr. Peixotto.

The Minutes of the meetings held December 17th and 31st.1908, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Mr. H. E. Huntington of New York, stating that the property on Sacramento and Taylor Streets, and on which the Playground Commission wish to fit up a temporary playground, is the property of Mrs. Collis P. Huntington, #2 E. 57th St., New York City.

From the BOard of Health, condemning the plumbing in building #206 Montgomery Avenue. The Secretary reported the said building is vacant, and the Mayor's office would sell same.

From the Board of Supervisors, with enclosure containing copy of protest against condemnation proceedings of the Schmeidel and Cook estates, now adjoining the City property on Seventh and Harrison Streets. The letter from the Board of Supervisors included a request that Playground Commissioners take the matter up, and report back what future action the Board of Supervisors may take in the premises.

The Commissioners thereupon, in open session, received a Committee from the San Francisco Real Estate Association, including: Mr. Burke, Mr. Rich and Mr. Hooker. Mr. H. Coogan, representing tenants, on the property in question, was also present.

President McCoy opened the session by having the Secretary read letter of Board of Supervisors, and also protest of real estate association. Mr. Leslie Burke, in behalf of latter named association, presented argument against further action,

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condemning the Schmeidel Estate, also the Cook estate, for playground contemplated to enlarge present holdings on the Seventh, Harrison, Harriet and Bryant Streets property.

Commissioner Mr. J. C. Astredo replied in detail, emphasizing reasons for purchase and maintenance of a Playground in the section referred to. Mr. AStredo's address was minute and complete.

Mr. A. J. Rich, spoke in opposition, following the lines set out by Mr. Burke.

Commissioner O'Connor supported the argument of Mr. AStredo.

Mr. R. H. Hooker, replied in contention of his association.

Mr. McLaren argued for the fulfillment of the people's wants by completing the work and secure the property in question.

Mr. H. Coogan addressed the meeting he represented tenants on the Cook Estate, and who wished the original program be carried out, that the playground may be finished.

President McCoy promptly asked, "What actuates the Real Estate Association in its opposition to the further purchase of adjacent property in mind."

The Real Estate Association representatives could only reply that the body was prompted by economic reasons.

The discussion took a wide range involving private opinions publicly expressed, following which, the Commission took a vote on the action to be taken.

Mr. Astredo moved, and it was unanimously carried, that condemnation proceedings should continue to a final issue; and further the Board of Supervisors be notified of the determination of Playground Commission.

It was further resolved that a copy of letters be furnished the City and County Attorney.

The Commission directed Mr. Astredo to draw up form of letter and for President McCoy and Secretary to sign.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Astredo reported meeting City and County Attorney Mr. Long, who informed him the Auditor had right to determine the form of demands.

Mr. Astredo reported that he, togethe r with President McCoy, would be impelled to defer making any decisive returns on the Playground Bonds subject, until Supervisor Gianinni reached home from Washington D. C., where the Supervisor is now busily engaged in supporting the City's interests, touching on the Hetch-Hetchy water system.

Mr. Astredo reported on the proposition of a swimming pool on the North Beach Playground, and the assistance the Board of Public Works would render.

The Commissioners took no action.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Astredo moved, and it was unanimously carried, that the Playground Commission approve the measure to establish a "Federal Children's Bureau;", and the Secretary was directed to address the Senators and Congressmen from California, urging the passage of Bill.

Mr. Astredo spoke of the finances of the Commission, and Mr. McLaren moved, which same was unanimously carried, that each Commissioner be furnished a copy of lists containing expenditures up to date.

Mr. AStredo presented and read a letter addressed to himself from Mrs. Alice S. Griffith, stating that the Secretary did turn over the structure condemned by the Board of Health, to the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Association, as directed by Playground Commission. Mr. Astredo spoke on the subject. The Secretary briefly explained there was no structure when it came to the time to deliver same. The Secretary also stated he sent letter of regret, and the Commissioners directed the Secretary to send another letter, testifying the Playground Commissioners profound regrets also.

The Secretary reported that the "Building Committee" of Board of Supervisors contemplated arranging office quarters in the Mechanics Auto Building, Mason and Market Street.

The Commissioners did not relish the report and Commissioner O'Connor extended a warm invitation to the Commission to remain in present quarters.

Mrs. Hayward moved, and it was unanimously carried, that the President interview Supervisor Rixford, and further assure the Supervisor, the Playground Commission would prefer to remain in the Board of Education rooms, if the rental of new quarters would come from Playground Fund.

Mr. McLaren moved, and it was unanimously carried, to invite a representative from the City Architect's office to meet with Playground Commission, and consult about details regarding the North Beach Playground accessories.

Adjourned 12 m.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

JANUARY 28, 1909.

The Playground Commission met this day at 10:25 A. M., in the Board of Education Assembly Rooms, corner of Pine and Larkin Streets., President McCoy in the Chair.

Roll call:

Present: Commissioners, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Astredo, Mr. O'Connor and President McCoy

Absent: Commissioners Mrs. White and Mr. Peixotto.

The Minutes of the meeting held January 14, 1909, were read and approved.

Communications

Communications were received as follows:

From U. S. Senators Perkins and Flint, Congressmen Hayes, McKinley, Englebright, Kahn, Needham and Knowland, replying to the Playground Commission endorsement of the "Federal Children's Bureau" bill.

All the gentlemen approve of the measure.

From Secretary Hus of Oakland, requesting a copy of rules governing Playground Commission.

Secretary was directed to forward a typewritten copy to Mr. Hus.

From City Architect Tharp, requesting data for office quarters in contemplated City Hall, and other information anent further construction on North Beach Playground.

From Board of Supervisors, calling attention to Resolution 3210 (New Series) regarding assignment of office for Accountant of Finance Committee.

From the Mayor's office, notice of sale of building #806 Montgomery Avenue, January 16, 1909.

Also referring letter for information and reply to Department of Public Service, Cleveland, Ohio.

Also, letter (with enclosure) from Miss Alice Griffith, President Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Association.

All communications were ordered filed.

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Committee Reports

Mr. McLaren reported that it was advisable to place the present, and free holding, on Harrison and Seventh Streets, in servicable condition for playgrounds.

Presented by Commissioner Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That Commissioners Mr. McLaren and Mrs. Hayward, be empowered to prepare the Harrison Street grounds for use as a playground, by having the ground leveled and loam covered to the extent of six inches.

The motion was carried unanimously.

New Business

Presented by Commissioner Mr. Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That the Secretary communicate with the "Public Library Trustees", requesting permission in behalf of the Playground Commission, to fit up the vacant land adjoining the Public Library building, on Hayes Street near Van Ness Avenue, for a playground, the tenancy to be subject to revocation at will on the part of the "Public Library Trustees". The motion was carried unanimously.

Commissioners, Mr. McLaren and Mrs. Hayward were delegated to meet the conditions, also Trustees, if necessary.

Commissioner Astredo was asked to make a report on the number of children in neighborhood of Hayes and Van Ness.

Presented by Commissioner Mr. Astredo, who moved its adoption:

Resolved, That Commissioner O'Connor and Secretary Sweeney be added to the Publicity Committee.

The motion was unanimously carried.

The vacancy on Equipment Committee was not filled owing to the absence of Commissioner O'Connor.

Presented by Commissioner Mrs. Hayward, who Moved its adoption:

Resolved, That Commissioner Astredo interview Mr. Eva, President of United Engineering Works of Alameda, and endeavor to secure temporary use of a vacant lot, owned by Mr. Eva, and situated in the Potrero district.

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for a playground.

Motion was unanimously carried.

City Architect, Mr. Newton J. Tharp, was present, and was in consultation with Playground Commission, regarding specifications and preparation of contracts for finishing toilets, dressing rooms, hand ball courts, etc.

Mr. Tharp promised to deliver specifications to the Commission within a week.

Bills

The salary for $125.00 due Secretary Sweeney for services, January 1909, was ordered paid.

Meeting adjourned 11;30 A. M.

Jas. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

Board of Education Rooms
Pine and Larkin Streets.

February 11, 1909.

The Playground Commission convened in the above named rooms at 10:15 A. M., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll call: Commissioners, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Peixotto and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Mrs. White and Mr. O'Connor.

The Minutes of the meeting held January 28, 1909, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Mr. Geo. A. Mullin, Secretary of the Public Library Trustees, informing the Playground Commission in effect, that it is not within its legal right to grant any concession of land, situated on Van Ness Avenue and Hayes Street, for any purpose, except for Library uses.

From the Visitacion Valley Improvement Club, requesting consideration of a playground in the vicinity. Letter referred to Public Utility Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

From Mr. Abel Albergi, making application for the position of caretaker of North Beach Playgrounds.

Bills

For "Evening Post"-Advertising for bids on concrete work. North Beach Playground, August 1908, amounting to $14.40. Approved.

For John Spargo - Partial payment on contract for concrete work on North Beach Playground; and amounting to $2,500.00, was denied, pending the approval of same By City Architect, Mr. Newton Tharp.

Committee Reports

Commissioner Mr. McLaren reported on progressive work of filling and scraping the grounds situated on corner of Seventh and Harrison Streets.

Commissioner Mrs. Hayward was authorized to employ a laborer to look after and even up the loads of filling placed on same grounds;

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the pay not to exceed $2.50 per diem.

The Secretary was requested to secure a level, and place status for guidance of filling.

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo, reported that he was successful in securing the consent of Mr. Eva, for use of property, corner of 19th and Pennsylvania Streets, as a playground for the Potrero boys; and further he would require a sum, not to exceed $250.00. This sum was therefore voted as an appropriation.

Commissioner Mr. Peixotto, discussed at length the playgrounds of Oakland, Los Angeles and New York.

Mr. Peixotto suggested that the Secretary communicate with Mr. Chas.B. Raitt of Los Angeles, on the matter of playgrounds.

Commissioner Mr. Astredo, presented a resolution in effect, that Mr. McLaren visit Los Angeles, and take a week to do it, for the inspection of the playgrounds in the latter city.

Carried.

New Business

President McCoy appointed Commissioners Mr. Peixotto and Mr. O'Connor, to constitute the Committee on Equipment.

Dr. Reihl, also Mrs. Sinclair, were present, and added their voice to the establishment of swimming pools for playgrounds.

The subject was held over for further consideration, and the meeting adjourned at 11:15 A. M.

Secretary.

FEBRUARY 25, 1909.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held in the Assembly room of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Streets, and called to order at 10:25 A. M.

Present at roll call: Commissioners, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Peixotto and President H. J. McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Mrs. White and Mr. O'Connor.

The Minutes of the meeting held February 11, 1909, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Galpin and Elkins, Attorneys for property owners in block bounded by Seventh, Harrison, Harriet and Bryant Streets.

Referred to New Business.

From Mrs. Mary Cervieli, inquiring what disposition would be made of flats now on Lombard Street, and Playground site.

Referred to Secretary.

From the Board of Supervisors, requesting a statement of necessary supplies of stationery per resolution #3313, for 1909-1910 (New Series).

Referred to Secretary.

From the Board of Supervisors, requesting a statement of subsistence and maintenance for fiscal year 1909 - 1910, as per resolution #3311 (New Series).

Referred to Finance Com.

Committee Report

Mr. Astredo reported rapid improvement on the Potrero grounds; and presented a resolution thanking the Street Improvement Association for their generous loan of tools and implements for use of Potrero Boys' Club, in fixing up their playground. The same was adopted.

Bills

Subscription of Playground Journal (one year) 1909.	$1.00
Salary for Secretary for February 1909.	125.00
Salary for Mr. Ross (Laborer) 12 days in February 1909	30.
For Mr. L. E. Smith (teaming and laboring)	96.75
For Van Arsdale (Lumber)	30.45
For John Spargo (part payment on Contract)	2500.00

These bills were ordered paid forthwith, with the additional pro-

vision, however, that in the case of Mr. Spargo's bill, the City Architect must first approve of said bill.

The bill of the American Steel and Wire Company for $19.07, was upon request of Mr. Astredo, held over, pending the return of the "Lot Stretcher" to the American Steel and Wire Company, as a rebate of $4.00 was forthcoming on the bill as read.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Elkins, Attorney for property owners on Harriet St., adjoining the south side playground, was granted the privilege of floor, and urged the purchase of his clients property..

Mr. Peixotto, Mr. Astredo and Mr. McLaren discussed the situation, and all agreed to the benefits, but the final determination of its purchase would depend upon the funds remaining to the credit for such work, and when the fog in the titles would clear away.

Mr. Peixotto reported that Mr. C. P. Taylor of Chicago, an expert on playground subjects, would shortly visit this City; and urged some action should be taken to receive the distinguished gentleman. Mr. Astredo presented a resolution, which was unanimously adopted, that Mr. Peixotto be delegated to make any legal preparation required, to engage Mr. Taylor for a lecture or series of lectures.

Mr. McLaren called up the matter of specifications for further work on North Beach Playground, and presented a resolution which was unanimously adopted, that a committee consult with Mr. Tharp. The President appointed Mr. McLaren and Mr. Astredo.

The Secretary was instructed to arrange with the City Architect, for a meeting of the said committee and City Architect.

The matter of preparing a statement of subsistence and

maintenance for fiscal year 1909 - 1910, was taken up, and a committee, including President McCoy, Mr. Astredo and Mr. Peixotto, was delegated to arrange a statement, the same to be submitted to the Playground Commission in a special meeting of said Commission, to be called in the Board of Education Assembly room, Thursday March 4, 1909, at 10 A. M.

Mr. Astredo called up the matter of the former request made to Mrs. Colis P. Huntington of New York, for use of her vacant lot on Jones and Sacramento Streets. The Secretary reported that Mrs. Huntington did not reply in any manner.

Mr. Astredo spoke of her local agent, Mr. Holliday; and Mr. Astredo was delegated to consult with Mr. Holliday.

Mr. McLaren requested the Secretary to read the bids on filling in, and also removing debris from the Seventh and Harrison Streets playground; viz:-

Removal of glass

John McCoy	$250.00
City Construction Co.(1st)	190.00
John Spargo	150.00
City Construction Co.(2nd)	90.00

The Secretary was instructed to close a contract with the City Construction Company for $90.00.

The Secretary was also instructed to close a contract for the delivery of clay to Seventh and Harrison Streets, by the City Construction Company for eighty (.80) cents per load.

The Secretary reported an interview with Assistant City and County Attorney, Mr. Graupner, who stated that Judge Sturtevant called in additional expert testimony on valuation of Cook Estate on Seventh and Bryant Streets, and a Mr. L. Mooser raised the appraised valuation from $40,000.00 to $60,000.00. The President requested a written statement to this effect, and he would take the matter up with Supervisor Kirkpatrick.

Adjourned 11:45 A. M.

Wm W. Sweeney
Secretary.

MARCH 4, 1909.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was held this date in the Board of Education Assembly Room, Pine and Larkin Streets.

The meeting was called to order at 10:20 A. M., President McCoy in the Chair .

Present at Roll call: Commissioners Mrs. White, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Astredo Mr. Peixotto and President H. J. McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward and Mr. O'Connor.

Commissioner, Mr. Peixotto, of Special Committee to prepare the Budget for fiscal year 1909-1910, presented a report, covering the essential points. Each subject was earnestly discussed and finally upon a resolution presented by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously adopted, an additional request was placed in the budget calling for four more sites for playgrounds. The report as amended was then referred back to Special Committee with directions to have same for final passage in regular meeting of March 11, 1909.

President McCoy reported having interviewed Mr. Loring Pixford, Chairman of Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors, and the latter assured Mr. McCoy that the Question anent the Cook Estate case, would be watched closely.

The Secretary was instructed to proceed with the preliminaries for planting trees around the Seventh and Harrison streets rounds.

Adjourned 10:45 A. M.

Secretary.

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The regular meeting of the Board of Playground Commissioners was held in the rooms of the Board of Education, corner Pine and Larkin Streets.

In the absence of President McCoy, the Secretary called the meeting to order, and Commissioner Mr. Astredo, was duly elected President pro tem.

Acting President, Mr. Astredo, promptly assumed the duties on the hour of 10:30 A. M.

Present at roll call: Commissioners, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Peixotto, Mr. McLaren, Mrs. Hayward and Mrs. White.

Absent Commissioner Mr. O'Connor and President McCoy..

The Minutes of the meetings held February 25th and March 4th, 1909 were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Attorney Mr. Max Thelan, representing property owners on Harriet Street, near the South Side Playground, and adjoining.

Referred to Building Committee, Board of Supervisors.

From City Architect, Mr. Newton J. Tharp, calling attention to failure of contractors to properly tamp the filling behind retaining walls - North Beach Playground. Referred to Secretary to have same properly attended to.

From City and County Attorney, Percy V. Long, a reply to query of Secretary, anent the relation of City Architect to the Playground Commission; and which stated in effect;- The City Architect was not subject to any directions from the Playground Commission

From the Merchants Ice Company, offering to furnish hot salt water for the prospective swimming pool on the North Beach Playground.

Referred to Commissioner Mr. Astredo.

BILLS

Allowed:	American Steel and Wire Co.	$19.07
	A. G. Spaulding & Co.	8.

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COMMITTEES

Commissioner Mr. Astredo reported having interviewed the City Architect together with Commissioner Mr. McLaren, and arranged for specifications, also plans for the dressing rooms and toilets on the east side of North Beach Playgrounds.

The Commissioner also reported that the Secretary had received instructions to properly advertise for bids immediately upon receiving the plans and specifications. The same was approved by the Board.

Commissioner Mr. McLaren brought up the question of a proper fence, or guard, around the grounds so far near completion. Commissioner Mr. Astredo reported that he discussed plans with the representative of the American Wire and Steel Co., who would later submit designs for consideration of the Commission, accompanying the same with bids.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. C. Warring and Mr. P. T. C. Wolfe, representing the Excelsior Improvement Club, were present, and urged consideration in favor of a playground on the Mission road. The Commission assured the delegation it was the purpose to meet their requirements just as soon as the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors allowed the passage of budget, for under present conditions it was not possible to enter large enterprises.

Mr. Pinther of the Glen Park Improvement Association, was present to urge consideration for his section: and extended an invitation to the Commission to attend the exercises on Arbor day, Saturday, March 20, 1909.

The Commission officially accepted the invitation, and Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Peixotto and Mr. Astredo, were named special representatives to be present.

Commissioner Mr. Peixotto, in behalf of the Finance Committee, presented the following report, as their findings for the fiscal year 1909- 1910, same to be presented to the Board of Supervisors:

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REPORT OF BUDGET COMMITTEE TO

PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

Your Committee recommends that the following sums be asked from the Board of Supervisors for the conduct of playgrounds for the coming fiscal year:

Salaries	$10,200
For completing fence around Harrison St. playground; for equipment of gymnasium and building of running track	20,000
Gymnasium building for boys, Harrison St. playground	3,500.
do do girls do	3,500.
Completing North Beach Playground including purchase of apparatus and establishing girls' department	8,000.
Equipment of two playgrounds for athletic purposes	3,000.
House and gymnasium to cover bathing pools to be erected by the City Engineer's office	12,000.
Equipment of playground on private property	5,000.
	$65,200.

The present year has been a very unsatisfactory one for the Commission. The Supervisors purchased a block of land at North Beach, but the appropriation given, amounting to $20,000, allowed of little more than actual necessities being undertaken. The concrete wall erected at the very low cost of $10,900 made it impossible for the commission to start any active work. This wall was a necessary feature before grading could be undertaken. It has left the commission without funds to pay for supervisors of play and without any opportunity to make more than a constructional work. It is urgent in playground work that reliable men supervise the play of the boys and to take proper care of the apparatus and the buildings on the playgrounds, but this has been rendered impossible during the present year on account of the great amount needed to build the retaining walls. We ask that the Commission urge the Supervisors to make a liberal allowance for this year.

It is pointed out that our sister city, Los Angeles, voted the sum of $40,000 last year to maintain the playgrounds. They have in the employ of the playground one supervisor at a salary of $125. a month and two superintendants at $100 each a month; also three women superintendents. Besides the playground feature, they have places fitted up for baseball on lots allowed to be used by the property owners, and have appointed a superintendent for same. They have also given $40,000 for a recreation centre in one of the manufacturing neighborhoods, containing shower baths, auditorium and theatre, meeting rooms for societies and many other energies. This is also in charge of a superintendent who is given a salary of $100 and residence in the house. We should certainly ask our Supervisors to give all the money asked for in order that we may maintain our position in the van of playground development.

(Signed) Sidney S. Peixotto,
Chairman.
(Signed) A. C. Astredo.

Mrs. White presented a resolution which was unanimously adopted, viz:

A committee of two be appointed to draft suitable resolutions, testifying to the public loss, in the demise of Mr. Rueben H. Lloyd,

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late member of the Park Commission.

Mr. Astredo and Mr. Peixotto were duly selected to draft the same.

The meeting adjourned 11:45 A. M.

Secretary.

M A R C H 25, 1909.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission, was held in the Assembly room of the Board of Education, Pine and Larkin Sts., promptly on the hour of ten o'clock A. M., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at roll call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Peixotto, Mr O'Connor and President Mccoy.

Absent: Commissioner Mr. McLaren.

The Minutes of the meeting held March 25th, 1909, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows;

From the Pacific Tel. and Tel. Co., denying proprietorship of certain poles on Harrison Street near Seventh. Placed on File.

From the Pacific Fence Construction Co., addressed to Mr. Astredo, relating to a contemplated around the North Beach Playground, was upon request of Mr. Astredo, filed as pregressive.

From the Playground Association of America, informing the Commission that a convention or Congress, of the association would convene May 11, 1909, in Pittsburg, Pa., and urging the Commission to send delegates. President McCoy reported in brief, the conditions surrounding the said Congress, and the Commission therefore did not take action other than to order the communication filed.

From the City and County Auditor, to President McCoy, requesting data anent the estimate and details of funds required by the Playground Commission. The Secretary was ordered to furnish same to the Auditor.

From A. G. Spaulding and Bros., a telegram, informing the Commission that a representative would call at an early date, and discuss playground equipments. President McCoy stated that a Mr. Horne, of the Spaulding firm would meet him, and therefore the matter rested, until President McCoy would report the result of conference.

From Mr. Chas. M. Black, vice president United Railroads Co., declining to comply with request of the Secretary of Playground Commission, to remove useless poles on Harrison Street, near Seventh Street. The matter was referred to the Seventh and Harrison Sts. Playground Committee, viz.- Mr. McLaren, Mr. Peixotto and Mrs. Hayward.

From Commissioner Mr. Astredo, an application from Miss Winifred Van Hagen, Dayton, Ohio, for place as "Physical Training Director". A copy of Mr. Astredo's reply accompanied the said application. Further action was deferred on the application, pending the return of the Board of Supervisors, appropriation, allowed the Commission for 1909 + 1910.

NEW BUSINESS

By request of President Mr. McCoy, the bids for construction of dressing rooms and toilets, for North Beach Playground, as advertised, were received, and President Mr. McCoy opened the sealed proposals and the Secretary read same, viz:-

	Plumbing	Carpentering	Whole
Albach and Mayer	$2300.		$6287.
Whitman, Lyman Co.	2292.		5300.
Carl Peterson	1650.	$2818.	6900.
Wm. Bruce			6500.
Edmund Grundy		3500.	

Following a reading of the bids, all parties bidding and present, were excused.

The Commission, upon motion of Mr. Astredo, seconded by Mrs. Hayward, unanimously referred the bids to the equipment Committee, (Mr. Peixotto and Mr. O'Connor) who will confer with the City Architect, and later report to the Commission.

Mr. Davis, of the firm of J. A. Davis, made a verbal request that the carpentering and plumbing be readvertised, and separate bids invited. There was no action taken with this request, pending a report later, from the equipment committee

Mrs. White called up the question of absentees, and upon motion of Mr. Astredo, Mrs. White was duly selected to

interview Mr. O'Connor to urge his attendance.

President McCoy reported interesting data anent playgrounds in Los Angeles, the same having been gleaned while on Y. M. C. A. official work.

Mr. Astredo presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted, viz:-

Resolved, That the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco do hereby endorse the ordinance now before the Board of Supervisors, said ordinance being known as "An ordinance regulating moving picture exhibitions and entertainments at which moving pictures are exhibited" and recommend that said ordinance be made a law by action of the Board of Supervisors.

The Secretary was ordered to send copy of above resolution to the Board of Supervisors.

The Secretary reported that Supervisor Mr. Bancroft informed him that Judge Sturtevant had handed down a decision in effect that $68,000.00 was a fair price for the Cook Estate, corner of Seventh and Bryant Streets.

The Secretary was ordered to communicate with the City and County Attorney's office, and ascertain just what was conveyed in Judge Sturtevant's ruling.

Mr. Astredo reported having been before the Supervisors, in bahalf of playgrounds, and added that in order to avoid confusion with Parks, it was essential that the term "Childrens' Playground, be emphasized alone. The Commissioner continued in effect, that affairs look bright toward getting the subject matter before the public in the June bond election.

Commissioner Astredo presented a motion which was unanimously adopted, that the Secretary proceed to the collection of a return of Four ($4.00) dollars, from the American Wire and Steel Co., arranged for by Mr. Astredo, upon the return of the "Lott Stretcher" to the firm.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Astredo, from Committee on resolution appointed to draft a memorial in commemoration of the death of Mr. Rueben H. Lloyd, late Park Commissioner, offered rhe following series of resolutions, the same being unanimously adopted by a standing vote; viz:-

To the Playground Commission,

San Francisco, Calif.

Your committee on resolutions begs to submit the following report:-

Whereas; But a few days since we were pained to learn of the death of our esteemed fellow citizen Reuben Hedley Lloyd which occured on the 10th day of March, 1909, and

Whereas; We appreciate the great interest he took in the welfare of his adopted city as was more particularly expressed in his work for the parks and playgrounds of the City and County of San Francisco, therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of Reuben Hoadley Lloyd the City and County of San Francisco has lost as valued and respected citizen and that the Playground Commission of the said City and County of San Francisco has lost a trusted allie and devoted friend, be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Minutes of the meeting of the Playground Commission.

Respectfully,

(signed) J. C. Astredo
Committee

BILLS

Ordered paid:

Evening Post	$21.60
Empire Planing Mill	14.
Secretary	125.
Secretary's expense (3 months)	11.

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John McGee,	$52.
August Ross	78.75
Jos. Haggerty	40.
Dominic Kane	35.
Jas. Ramsden	27.50
Jno. Cunningham	17.50
Daniel Convery	40.

The pay of the last six (laborers) was ordered to be paid at the end of March.

The amounts were determined when the month of March expired.

The Playground Commission adjourned at 11:30 o'clock A. M.

Jno. M. Parker
Secretary.

APRIL 8, 1909.

The Board of Playground Commissioners met this day at 10:10 o'clock A. M., President McCoy presiding.

Present at Roll call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, Mr. Astredo, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Peixotto and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioner Mr. O'Connor.

The MInutes of the meeting held March 25th, 1909, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From the Board of Supervisors, inquiring as to what reservations the Playground Commission would make upon the Home Telephone Cpmpany, for phone service.

Upon motion of Commissioner McLaren? which was unanimously adopted, the Secretary was ordered to place a requisition with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, for three telephones, viz: one for Secretary,, one for the North Beach Playground and one for the South Side Playgrounds.

From Mr. Rufus P. Jennings, Secretary of the California Promotion Committee, urging the Commission to co-operate with the California Promotion Committee, in the effort to secure the 1910 Congress of American Playground Association for San Francisco.

President McCoy, and Commissioner Mrs. White were selected to confer with Mr. Jennings.

From the Ocean View Improvement Club, urging consideration of the "Katz Estate" for a playground.

Commissioners Mr. Astredo and Mr. McLaren were selected to look into the matter of site.

From the Glen Park Outdoor Art League, inviting the Playground Commission to visit the Glen Park district, and inspect the proposed playground

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The President selected Commissioners, Mrs, Hayward, Mrs. White and Mr. McLaren, to represent the Commission in the matter.

From the American Wire and Steel Co., returning four ($4.00) dollars, rebate for one "Lott Stretcher".

The Secretary was instructed to deposit the $4.00 to the credit of the Playground Fund, with Treasurer.

From Mr. E. P. F. Dearborn, applying for a position as Superintendent of Playgrounds. The application was ordered filed.

From City Architect, Mr. Newton J. Tharp, advising that all bids presented March 25th, 1909, and for plumbing, concreting, tiling, carpentering, etc. etc., be rejected; and at the same time offering his services in the matter of arranging for further advertising of contract work on same job.

The Commission therefore did reject all bids as above covered, and instructed the Secretary to acquaint Mr. Tharp of the action taken; and further invite the City Architect to arrange for readvertising.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Peixotto reported on the question of receiving Mr. G. R. Taylor of Chicago, who would reach the City within a week.

Mr. Peixotto fetched up the question of meeting the expense attending Mr. Taylor's visit: and all the Commissioners discussed the method to be followed in meeting the same. Each and every member testified to the necessity of following every legal method of procedure; therefore as a means of properly getting to an understanding, Mr. Peixotto offered as a resolution, which was seconded by Mr. McLaren, thatthe Playground Commission employ Mr. G. R. Taylor for a fee of seventy-five dollars, in return for which Mr. G. R. Taylor would furnish expert advice as a guide to immediate results.

This resolution was earnestly discussed at length, several members having doubts as to the legal propriety of adopting the same.

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The President ordered the roll to be called, and the Commissioners voted as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Peixotto, Mr. McLaren and Mr. McCoy.

Noes: Mrs. White.

The Chair declared the resolution carried.

The matter of securing halls for lectures by Mr. Taylor was discussed and finally referred to Mr. Peixotto.

Mrs. Hayward fetched the matter of planting trees inside the sidewalk around the 7th and Harrison Streets ground, and the same met with wholesome favor.

Mrs. White introduced the subject of making practical use of one of the improvements now on the 7th and Harrison Streets ground, and the securing of same was referred to Mrs. White.

Mr. Peixotto reported that he had an interview with Prof Magee of the University of California, to whom he stated, the subject of taking up a course, as a part of the curriculum in playground education. Following the report as stated, Mr. Peixotto offered the resolution, which was unanimously adopted, viz:-

"The University of California, also Stanford University, be urged to establish the course of "Playground work" in the department of Sociology."

Referred to Mr. Peixotto.

Mr. Astredo announced he would confer with the City Engineer before the next meeting about the prospective swimming pool.

Action on any plan that will bring a fair financial return for present improvements on North Beach Playground was deferred by request of Mr. Astredo, until meeting of April 22, 1909.

The Secretary reported the progress of work under existing contract, and the reason of Mr. Spargo having unfinished the concrete work on toilet floor, also the entrance from Lombard Street, to the North Beach Playground.

The Commission decided to have the marrer referred to the City Architect, and the latter could determine how much of the money unpaid to Mr. Spargo would be advanced to the latter, pending the completion of the concrete work above mentioned. The Architect would also be requested to estimate how much money to cover the cost of a section of wall on the Powell Street side, and not constructed per specifications, should be held back, pending a fair test.

BILLS

Fro. A. E. Buckner, - -	Bills returned to Mr. Buckner with request for separate statements.	
G. R. Taylor - Playground expert		$ 75.00
J. A. Shea - Teaming and grading		30.00
Granfield Company - Delivering Clay		29.60

The Meeting then adjourned at 11:45 A. M.

Wm. H. Sweeney
Secretary.

APRIL 22,1909.

The Playground Commissioners met in the office of the Board of Education (Assembly Room), Pine and Larkin Sts., this day at 10 o'clock, A.M., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll Call: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White, Mr. McLaren, Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Peixotto.

Absent: Commissioner Mr. Astredo.

The Minutes of the meeting held April 8th, 1909, were read and approved.

Reports

Mr. Peixotto reported the meeting held in the Mission High School auditorium, and addressed by Mr. G. R. Taylor of Chicago, and added that the meeting was not so well attended as it might have been, but the students attending the Mission High School in the building, were present in a large force.

President McCoy and Commissioner Mrs. White explained that the difficulties invariably met at this season of the year, and how well known and competent lecturers, could not draw large numbers.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE

A large delegation of the Musicians Union attended the meeting, under the lead of Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Roncovieri Mr. Menke and Mr. Greenbaum, who urged the Playground Commission to take up, and endorse, the "Neighborhood Concert" proposition, calling for municipal bands to be utilized throughout the City in public parks and playgrounds. The matter was discussed by all the Commissioners present; and later in executive session.

Mrs. Hayward presented a resolution, which was seconded by Mrs. White and unanimous y adopted, viz:-

"The Playground Commission do earnestly approve of the 'Neighborhood Concerts' as outlined by the Musicians Union, and further that the Secretary address the Board of Supervisors by letter, urging an annual appropriation, the appropriation to be used and expended for band concerts in the parks about the city,

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and also playgrounds.

Mrs.Geo. A. Mullin and Mrs. L. B. Hernan, representing the "Tokalon Club," addressed the Commission along the lines of utilizing the vacant school land in the Western Addition for playgrounds.

The Commissioners testified their approval of the purpose outlined by the "Tokalon Club" delegation, and would be pleased to take it up with the School Board, to whom the matter must be referred.

Mr.Peixotto presented a resolution which was seconded by Mrs. White, and unanimously adopted, viz:- "The Chair appoint a Committee of two, to look into the availability of vacant school lands in the section above referred to."

The Chair selected Mr. Peixotto and Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Peixotto asked if the Secretary had communicated with the Universities, regarding the proposition of taking up the subject of playground work; and he was informed, the matter was in his hands. However, as Mr. Peixotto did not attend to the matter, the Secretary was directed to address the Executive of Stanford and California Universities, with a view of enlisting their approval in the matter being made a part of the curriculum in the Sociological department.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

Application from C. M. DeBois of Berkeley, for place as assistant superintedent of Playgrounds. Filed.

From Henry P. Post, of Santa Barbara, (per letter to Mrs. Eells, and presented by Mrs. White) desiring appointment as Superintendent of Playgrounds.

The Secretary was directed to address a letter to Mrs. Eells, also Mr. Post, explaining existing conditions.

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From City and County Attorney Mr. Long, giving an itemized statement of allowance for the Cook Estate, 7th and Bryant Sts.

From City Architetc, Mr. Newton J.Tharp, enclosing a form of advertisement for proposals.

Mr. O'Connor objected to the length of advertisement and explained the absurdities of costly statements, inasmuch that the bidders would be governed by the plans and specifications already to be delivered.

The Commissioners therefore directed the Secretary to use th rorm of advertisement now in vogue and applied by the Board of Education.

From City Architect, Mr. Newton J. Tharp, approving of Secretary's report on the North Beach Playground, and informing the Secretary, that the Architect's office would return an estimate of amount of money that might be safely withheld, pending a test of a section of wall on Powell Street side, also the completion of floor of toilet, and runaway to Lombard St. entrance.

The Secretary read the following report of Mr. Astredo, including the propcsed sites of playgrounds: the purchase of which a bond election will be held in June 1909.

San Francisco, Apr. 16,1909.

To the Public Utilities Committee of the Board of Supervisors ,
San Francisco, Cal.

Gentlemen:

The Playground Commission of this City and County desire to present the following recommendations regarding the prospective issue of Bonds for Playground purposes.

A number of recommendations have been received by the Commission regarding Playground sites in different parts

of the City and all suggestions have received careful attention.

In a number of instances playgrounds are proposed in the immediate neighborhood of prospective parks and the Commission does not favor such a plan.

We further find that the Board of Education have recommended that certain lands Be secured to enlarge certain present school sites that Neighborhood Playgrounds may be established in connection with local schools. This plan is approved by the Playground Commission and they more especially commend to your favorable consideration the following sites, same to be developed by the Board of Education:-

The Clement School site
The Glen Park School site
The Visitacion Valley School site
The Bernal Heights School site
The Monroe School site

In view of the action proposed by the Board of Education the Playground Commission respectfully recommends that you embody in your report to the Honorable Board of Supervisors, a recommendation to the effect that the following sites be secured for public playgrounds.

Block	Location	Size	Est. Value
78	Dolores - Guerrero- 18th - 19th	500x520 ft.	$350,000.
134	Elizabeth-Noe - 24th - Sanchez	550x228 ft.	165,000.
316	Iowa-Pennsylvania-19th-20th	200x400 ft.	12,800.
			$527,800.

And we further recommend that you approve of the proposition to place on the ballot of the next Bond Election the question of bonds in the sum of Five Hundred and Twenty-seven Thousand, Eight Hundred ($527,800) Dollars, said sum to be expended in securing the above recommended sites, or similar sites of like value to be used as public playgrounds by the children of said city and county.

Respectfully submitted,

PLAYGROUND COMMISSION,
By,

Attest _____
Secretary.

_____
President.

APRIL 22, 1909.

The Secretary was instructed to have the United States Health Bureau remove their shacks now on the south side grounds Harrison Street.

Mrs. White also expressed her hopes that later, one of the structures might be secured for a girls' room, and the Secretary was directed to ascertain if the same could be accomplished.

The Secretary was also directed to go on with ploughing and rolling the ground, together with preparing the tree planting on the inside of ground.

BILLS

J. W. Sweeney, Secretary		$125.
City Construction Co., deliver of clay		$ 900.
"	removal of glass	90.
A. Ross	Laborer	72.50
T. Conroy	"	40.
M. Coltins,	"	12.50
P. Knach	"	12.50

The meeting adjourned 11:40 A. M.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary

MAY 6, 1909.

Board of Education,
Pine and Larkin Streets
Assembly Room

The regular mEEting of the Playground Commissioners was called to order, 10 A. M., President McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll call: Commissioners Mrs. White, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Peixotto, Mr. McLaren and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioner Mr. O'Connor.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held April 22, 1909, were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications were received as follows:

From Director of Schools, Mr. Jas. G. Legge, of Liverpool, England, with enclosure, containing rules of directions, governing the public school baths of his city.

From Mr. L. H. Gullick, President of the Playground Association of America (addressed to the Mayor) ordered filed.

From Secretary Leffingwell of the Board of Education, calling for data touching on the Tokalon Club's petition for a school playground.

The letter was referred to the Tokalon Club.

From Clerk Jno. E. Behan of the Board of Supervisors, requesting Commission to attend the Finance Committee meeting, and consider budget for January 1909 - 1910.

From President David Starr Jordan, of Stanford, replying to Commission's request to take up playground work.

From Secretary R. P. Merritt, of California University, replying to Commission, in like vein, to President Jordan.

From Dr. Converse, U. S. Public Health and Marine Hospital Service, complying with request of Commission to remove holdings on

the south side grounds.

From Secretary McCarthy, of the Fire Commission, an invitation to attend an exhibition of fire suppressing service, for May 6th, 1909.

Mr. Spargo was present to urge that his bill for completing wall around the east half of the North Beach ground.

The Secretary read a report from the City Architect, giving a statement of cost to wall, that must stand a test.

The propriety of holding back the payment, was discussed, and finally, upon motion of Commissioner Mr. Astredo, and seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White, the Chair was requested to appoint a Committee of two to investigate the matter, and consult with the Architect in the matter. of substituting a bond by Mr. Spargo, and pay him for work already up and standing,

The Chairman named Commissioners Mr. Astredo and Mr. McLaren.

The work of constructing toilets and dressing rooms, also seats around the North Beach Playground, was taken up, and the following Bids considered, viz:

	Prop.#1	Prop.#2.	
Albach and Mayer		$ 3465.00	Prop. #3.
Whitman Lyman	$6298.00	3375.00	$ 2923.00
P. B. McKay & Sons			4000.00
C. Coyhill	7840.00	4190.00	2650.00
E. W. Elliott	5482.00		2431.00

The following resolution was presented by Commissioner Mr. McLaren, seconded by Commissioner Mr. Astredo, viz:-

"The Playground Commission do hereby award the contract to Mr. E. W. Elliott, of 1667 Haight Street, by and under proposition #1, as drawn up by City Architect, Mr. Tharp, for the construction of toilets, dressing rooms, and seats around grounds for the sum of Five Thousand four hundred and eighty-two dollars ($5,482.00), the said Mr. Elliott being the lowest bidder.

The resolution was carried by roll call: viz:-

Ayes: Commissioners McCoy, Mrs. White, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Astredo, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Peixotto.

Absent: Commissioner Mr. O'Connor.

The Secretary was directed to begin work immediately, and draw up a contract with the successful bidder, and receive the necessary bonds.

Upon motion of Commissioner Mr. McLaren, seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White, the work contracted as per above, must be finished on or before July 1, 1909, unless for good and sufficient reasons.

Commissioner Mr. ~~Peixotto~~ Peixotto announced his resignation from the Commission, and further stated that he had presented same to the Mayor, Hon. E. R. Taylor.

Mr. Peixotto then introduced Mr. Geo. A. Schlitter as his successor on the Commission.

Commissioner Mrs. White enquired if the Secretary had any official information of Mr. Schlitter's appointment; and the Secretary replied, that only verbally, had he been informed by the Executive Secretary, Mr. H. McKannay.

Upon motion of Commissioner Mrs. White, seconded by Commissioner Mr. Astredo, a letter, in behalf of the Commission, and as a testimonial of happy omen for Mr. Peixotto, should be drawn up and properly sealed, by the Secretary, and presented to the retiring Commissioner.

The same was unanimously carried.

Mr. D. S. Clark of the Mission Improvement Club, was present, and wished some explanation of the status of playground bond issue to be voted on in June 1909.

Commissioner Astredo explained at length the attending circumstances, and how the question stood, and just what responsibilities the Commission would and could assume.

MAY 6, 1909.

Commissioner Mr. McLaren, brought up the matter of safeguarding the public against danger of falling over wall around the North Beach grounds, and he presented the following resolution, seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White, which was unanimously carried, viz:

"The Secretary advertise the legal period, for bids to construct, and place on the top of concrete wall, around the North Beach ground, an iron picket fence, similar in design and construction to one now around the Athletic field of the Stadium, in Golden Gate Park."

Commissioner Mrs. White reported meeting Mr. Rufus P. Jennings of the California Promotion Committee, and taking up the proposition of holding the 1910 Congress of Playground Associations in California.

The following resolution was offered by Commissioner Mr. Astredo, seconded by Commissioner Mrs. White, viz:

"The San Francisco Playground Commission endorse the efforts of Los Angeles to secure the 1910 Congress of Playground Associations, in the Southern City, and the Secretary acquaint Los Angeles Association of this act; also add the President, Mr. McCoy's name to the joint telegram of California Promotion Committee, to be forwarded to Pittsburg, May 14, 1909. and addressed to the 1909 Convention."

Carried.

Commissioner Mrs. White fetched up the question of a playground in or near, the Chinese quarter.

The Chair appointed, Commissioner Mrs. White and Com. Mr. Astredo to investigate before further action is taken by the Commission.

Commissioner Mr. Astredo reported on the question of a prospective surplus of $30,000.00, being left over after purchasing the Schmeidel Estate on Bryant and Harriet Streets

MAY 6, 1909.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Jennings, reported to Commissioner Mr. Astredo that this would not be enough to purchase the additional strip on Harriet Street; therefore it would be a good thing to turn it over to the Playground Commission.

However, the matter assumes a legal aspect, and all parties concerned would be interested in a reply from the City and County Attorney, as to what would be legal. Therefore, upon motion of Commissioner Mr. Astredo, seconded by Commissioner Mrs. Hayward, the Secretary was directed to get official information from the City and County Attorney, bearing on the subject referred to.

The general consensus of the Commission, took form in effect, that all members take active measures on the platform and otherwise, to urge the affirmative vote on all bond questions to be voted in June 1909.

The Secretary was directed to explain the true difficulties and reason for not encouraging the purchase of the Katz estate, the same being on and outside the County line.

This action is deemed proper as many good people do not understand the question.

Adjourned 11:35 A. M.

Secretary.

Assembly Rooms, Board of Education,
Pine and Larkin Streets.

MAY 20, 1909.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order, at ten o'clock A. M.? President Mr. McCoy in the Chair.

Present at Roll call: Commissioners, Mr. Astredo, Mr. Schlitter, Mr. O'Connor and President McCoy.

Absent: Commissioners Mrs. Hayward, Mrs. White and Mr. McLaren.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held May 6th, 1909, were read and approved.

BIDS FOR IRON PICKET FENCE.

Bids for construction and setting up of an iron picket fence, to top the concrete Wall around the east half of the North Beach Playground, were received and opened, also filed, viz:-

Pacific Fence Construction Co.	$1230.00
Golden Gate Structural and Ornamental Iron Works	790.00
West Coast Wire and Iron Co.	1180.00
Vulcan Iron Works	2340.00

Following the reading of bids, the awarding of a contrac was deferred until a report on the competency and merit of two lower bidders could be made. The Secretary was requested to look into the matter, and report back in meeting of June 3, 1909.

Attorney Beatty representing lease holders on the South side playground property, was present, and presented arguments for an extension of lease for his clients, including Ruffini and Pianci. The matter was referred to the Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors, for advice and conference.

MAY 20, 1909.

President McCoy announced that he would make an extended visit to the East, starting therefore, before the next regular meeting.

Commissioner Astredo, in a few well chosen remarks, announced the sudden taking off by pneumonia, of City Architect, Mr. Newton J. Tharp; and offered a resolution, which was unanimously carried, that the "Playground Commission adjourn in respect to the memory of the late City Architect, Mr. Newton J. Tharp, and attend the services in Grace Episcopal Church.

BILLS

Laborers employed for May, 1909.

Angus Ross,	26 days	$65.00
Phil Knack	19 "	47.50
M. Collins	19 "	47.50
D. Kane	18 "	45.00
Jas. Ramsden	18 "	45.00
Jno. Cunningham	10 "	25.00
Daniel Convery	12-1/2 days	31.25

Adjourned: 10:30 A. M.

Jno. A. Sweeney
Secretary.

Reception Room,
Board of Education
Pine and Larkin Streets,
San Francisco,Calif.
June,3,1909.

Meeting

The regular meeting was held in the above named room,by the Playground Commission,Commissioner Mr.Astredo in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present - Commissioner,Mr. Astredo
Mrs.White
Mrs.Hayward
Mr.O'Connor
Mr. McLaren
Mr.Schlitter — 6 present

Absent - Commissioner Mr.McCoy — 1 absent

Communications

From - C.C.Newhall(Mesdame) a petition signed by many Chinese merchants and bankers,urging a playground in the Oriental quarter. The Secretary was directed to take the matter up with the Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors,and learn just what could be done in the way of securing a plot of land for the use of Commission to develop the movement.

From - Miss E.J.McArmy,applying for appointment as Matron of playgrounds. Filed.

From - L.A.Maisch,applying for position of Superintendent of playgrounds. Filed.

From Mr.Mirell Grimaldi,applying for the position of Superintendent of playgrounds. Filed.

Bills

Empire Sharing Mill Co. $ 14.00 Allowed
[illegible] 168.00 "
[illegible] 18.00 "
[illegible] 2600.00 was held up until Mr.[illegible] should file a bond acceptable to the Commission to insure [illegible] concrete wall for the next six months.

Bills(continued)

E.W.Elliot ------- $2600.00 was not allowed as the Contractor failed to secure the approval of the City Architect.

Committees Reports

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,made an elaborate detailed statement with references to the progressive work on the two playgrounds,and prospects for future work of developments.

The Commissioner also reported that he discussed with the Building Committee of Board of Supervisors,regarding the extension of leases on the improvements on the Bryant street side of South side playgrounds.

Commissioners,Mrs.White,Mrs.Hayward,and Mr.McLaren,urged that every effort be put forth to have the rentals turned in to a fund for the purchase of the Harriet street strip of property.

The Chairman appointed Commissioners Mr,McLaren and Mr,Schlitter together with the Secretary to call on the Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors,this Thursday,and lay before them the wishes of the Playground Commission.

Commissioner,Mrs.White,reported that together with Commissioner,Mrs,Hayward and the Secretary,she visited all the playgrounds including present holdings,tempory and prospective,and found everything progressing nicely;and she urged that tree planting should be pushed along.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo reported that from his findings,he could not see any valid reason against awarding the contract of building and setting up the iron picket fence around the North Beach Playground,to the lowest bidder.

Commissioner,Mrs.White offered aresolution,which was seconded by Commissioner Mr.Hayward,that the contract for fence as advertised,be awarded to the Golden Gate Structural and Ornamental Iron Works, the firm being the lowest bidder. Adopted

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo, reported that following a report of the Secretary to himself,in effect that a change was necessary in the plans of toilet construction,he investigated and found that the Greenwich street sewer was not as deep as the official plans

in the City Engineer's office calls for. This condition, therefore, would call for a new line and extra expense to cross the grounds and connect with Lombard street sewer.

Commissioner, Mr. McLaren, supported the report, and the Sec - retary was directed to stop all work on the toilets and dressing r rooms, until the matter could be taken up with the City Architect.

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo and the Secretary were then dele - gated to meet with the City Architect for a conference.

New Business

Commissioner, Mrs. White offered a resolution, which was sec - onded by Mrs. Commissioner, Hayward, that tree guards be placed around the trees planted on and near the South side grounds, also that the tree stakes be painted green. Adopted.

Commissioner, Mrs. White, offered a resolution which was sec - onded by Commissioner, Mr. Astredo, that the Secretary inform Mrs. C.C. Newhall, the Commission would do all in its power, to secure a playground in the Oriental quarter. Adopted.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 11:30 a.m.

Secretary

Assembly Room
Board of Education
San Francisco, Calif.
June, 17, 1909.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission, was called to order, ten oclock a.m., Commissioner, Mr. Astredo in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present - Commissioner, Mr. Astredo
Mrs. Hayward
Mrs. White
Mr. O'Connor — 4 present

Absent - Commissioner, Mr. McCoy
Mr. McLaren
Mr. Schlitter — 3 absent

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings of May, 20, and June, 3, 1909, were read and approved.

Communications

Application of Mrs. M. Selinger, 1512½ Castro street, for ap - pointment as attendant for playgrounds, was referred to Commissioner Mrs. White, for reply.

Application from Mr. Thos. Warburton, 1125 "A" street for ap - pointment as Superintendent of playgrounds, was filed.

A letter from Mr. J.F. Meyers, of Minneapolis, Minn. was read in which the writer stated he was gathering data on Playground development in the United States, and desired to learn what was accomplished in this City. The Secretary reported that the mat - ter was attended to.

From - The Bd. of Supervisors, enquiring what disposition the Playground Commission would make touching on leases of proper - ty on the Bryant street side of the playground, South Side.

The letter was referred to the Harrison street committee.

From - Haines Cadbury and Jones requesting a continuation of

lease or rentals on Bryant street section of playground. The question was re ferred to the Harrison street committee.

FROM - The Bd.of Supervisors.in reply to the petition of Mrs C.C.Newhall and a number of Chinese residents ,for a playground in the Oriental quarter,stating that the budget was complete and also the bond issue election to be held during the month,would cover all purchases the Board could see its way clear to recommend at the present time.

From - The Mayor calling attention to the yearly report that must be made within one month following the end of fiscal year 1908 - 1909.

From Julia C.Coffey,commending the Playground Commission for the progress made on the South Side Playground.

Bills

E.W.Elliot	First payment	$2200.00
J.Spargo	Third payment	3689.00
Empire Mill Com.		26.80
American S.and W.Co.		17.90
Brittain and Co.		9.60
Jno.W.Sweeney	Secretary	125.00
Angus Ross	Laborer	65.00
Dan'l Convery	"	65.00
Wm.Brittain	"	35.00
Phil.Knuck	"	30.00
L.Hane	"	30.00

New Business

Mr.Hoffman was present to explain why he delayed in building the fence around the North Beach Playground,but failed to satisfy the Commission and the matter was deferred on action, until the Commission could look in to the affair.

Commissioner,Mrs.White,offered aresolution,seconded by Commissioner,Mrs.Hayward,that the Commission advise the Bd.of Supervisors,to proceed with extension of leases on the Bryant street side of South Side Playground.

Commissioners,Mrs.White and Mr.McLaren,were directed to ascertain what methods could be enacted to secure the rentals of of improvements on playgrounds,to create a fund for the benefit

of the Playground Commission,and its work.

Commissioner,Mrs.White,made a detailed report of her inspection of all Playgrounds, and outlined a tentative program of work that might advance the developments of the grounds.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo, reported that he met the City Architect,Mr.Rixford,who advised him that it would be necessary to change the plan of sewer connection of toilets on the North Beach playground,by trenching across the whole ground to the Lombard street sewer;and further, his office would prepare the plans and specifications. The Secretary was directed to advertise for bids when the plans and specifications were in his possession.

The Secretary presented a sample of tree guard that a local firm was handling. Commissioner Mrs.White, objected to the guard as being too high,also the mesh too wide.

The Secretary was directed to seek other designs with a smaller mesh.

The meeting adjourned 11.30 a.M.

Jno. W. Sweeney

Secretary.

Assembly Room,
Board of Education,
Pine and Larkin Sts.
July,1,1909.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was call - ed to order.10:25,a.m., President,Mr.McCoy in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present - Commissioner,Mr.McCoy
Mrs. White
Mrs.Hayward
Mr.Astredo
Mr.O'Connor
Mr.McLaren 6 present

Absent - Commissioner,Mr.Schlitter 1 absent

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From - Mr.Jno.F.Behan,Clerk of Board of Supervisors,in - forming the Secretary that any brand of carbon paper could be [illegible] on requisition.

From the Labor,F.P.Taylor, stating that all subordinates [illegible] must pay for same.

From - A.C.Hane, Sup't of Anti Saloon League,asking official endorsement of the movement to remove saloons from the imm - diate section of the Golden Gate Park. Approved.

From - California Promotion Committee asking what action was taken by the American Ass'n on Playgrounds with reference to the [illegible] Congress, of Association.

From - Miss Jessie T. Stuart,Secretary of Los Angeles Play - ground Ass'n,urging that a strong letter be forwarded to Mr. [illegible],in favor of Los Angeles having the privelege to entertain the 1910 Congress of Playgrounds Ass'n's

From - Anna L. Jordan Oster, secretary to Mr.Gulick, stating that the Congress for 1910 will be held in Rochester,N.Y.

From - Mayor's Secretary,Mr.Mahoney. notifying the Commission

of the sale of the improvements the Commission had ordered for sale,and formerly on the east half of the North Beach Playground.

From - H.C.Marsh,asking for extension of rental of present holdings on the Bryant side of the South Side grounds.

From - H.A.J.McKenzie,applying for appointment as Superintend- ent of Playgrounds.

From - Mr.E.J.Mason,applying for position as Caretaker.

From - Mrs.J.E.Mason,applying for position as Matron.

From - Mrs.Emma V.Ackerson,applying for position as Matron.

Bills

No Bill presented.

Committee Reports

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo reported that the sale of improve - ments on North Beach grounds,returned to the City,the amount of $3890.00. Date of sale,June,25,1909.

Commissioner,Mr.McLaren,reported talking to Ass't City Att'y Mr. Grawpner,who advised him to apply to the Supervisors to have the rentals of the Playground property placed in a fund that can be utilized to purchase the Harriett Street strip.

President Mr.McCoy was delegated to make a personal,as well, official plea to the members of the Bd.of Supervisors

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo, pointed out the fact that certain real estate sharks were trying to gouge the City out excessive sum for the strip in question,and rather than let them accomplish their designs it would be better to hold off from buying at this time.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,offered a resolution,seconded by Commissioner,Mrs.Hayward,that: --That the Playground Commission do hereby express its determination to secure the Harriett Street property adjoining the present holdings of the South Side Play - grounds,but protest against the seeming holdup that certain real estate sharks are trying to put through,as their prices are too high,and urge the utmost care in resisting the excessive charges.

The resolution was carried with out dissent.

Commissioner,Astredo, reported progress on the progress of plans for swimming pool,and the aid he was receiving from the City Engineer.

Commissioner,Mr.McLaren, was delegated to wait on the City Architect,Mr,Mixford,and ascertain what responsibilities he was ready to assume regarding future contracts of the Playground Com - mission.

Commissioner Astredo,reported that the firm,viz: -"The Gold - den Gate Structural Iron Works,Mr.C.L.Hoffman,part owner, did not make any effort to go on with the work. Commissioner,Mr.Astredo, was authorized to look in to the matter, with full power to act in the premises, and let the work out elsewhere,if he thought it right and good.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,Presented a resolution,seconded by Commissioner,Mrs.Hayward,that a special meeting of the Commission be held on Tuesday,July,6,1909,ten oclock a.M. to finish any work necessary to immediate results. Adopted.

Bids for sewer connections with the toilets and dressing rooms on the North Beach Playgrounds,were received and opened, viz: -

Edw. O'Connor	$575.00
W.J.Bowling	427.00
Ahlbach and Mayer	350.00

Commissioner,O'Connor,offered aresolution,seconded by Commissioner Commissioner Mr.Astredo,that the contract be awarded to the firm of Ahlbach and Mayer,their bid being the lowest legitimate bid submitted. Adopted.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 11:45,a.m.

Jno W. Sweeney
Secretary.

Assembly Room,
Board of Education,
Pine and Larkin Streets,
San Francisco,Calif.
July,6,1909.

Special Meeting

A special called meeting was called to order,ten oclock,a.m. President Mr. McCoy in the Chair.

Present - Roll Call

Commissioner,Mr.McCoy
Mr.Astredo
Mr.O'Connor 3 present

Absent -
Commissioner,Mrs.White
Mrs.Hayward
Mr.McLaren
Mr,Schlitter 4 absent

The President announced no quorum,and the meeting adjourned o on the hour of 11,a.m.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

Note

On July, 7, 1909 about the hour of 10:(ten) oclock,a.m. Mr. C.L.Hoffman of the Golden Gate Iron Works, appeared and announced he could not and would not furnish bonds equal to his bid on picket fence for the North Beach playgrounds,or put it up in side of ninety days.

Fire Commissioner W.P.Delany was present and heard what he (Hoffman) had to say.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary

Playground Commission Office
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco, California,
July, 15, 1909.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was Called to order,ten oclock,a.m. Pesident Mr. McCoy,in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present —— Commissioner,Mr. McCoy
Mrs. White
Mr, McLaren
Mr. Astredo 4 present

Absent —— Commissioner Mrs. Hayward
Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Schlitter 3 absent

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From —Paul R. Nippert Company,inquiring about the contract of Mr.Jno.Spargo and the concrete wall on the North Beach Playgrounds.

From — Mr. Jno. E. Behan,clerk of Bd.of Supervisors, requesting the Secretary to report on the number of forms needed for advertising, also the number of copies of the Evening Post wanted.

From Mr.H.A.J.McKenzie.with endorsements of himself for Superintendent.

From Commissioner Mr.Schlitter,endorsing Mr.Jas.E. Rogers,for Superintendent.

From Mr.Jas.E.Rogers,applying for appointment as Superintendent.

From Mr. Danl P. Convery with endorsements,applying for appointment as Caretaker.

FOR THE FILES July 12, 1948

On July 9th I asked the County Recorder, Mr. Toomey, about the methods of obtaining microfilm service for Commission minutes, which have not been microfilmed during the past six years. This work is now done by reporduction service, under the Purchasing Department.

The film is under custody of the City Treasurer and is stored in the Twin Peaks Tunnel vault. According to the Recreation Department letter of September, 1943, on file in the Treasurer's Office, we have 3 reels on deposit with him:

Record reel #1, January 8, 1908 to June 26, 1912.
Reel 93, Commission minutes, July 11, 1912 to June 19, 1941.
Reel 98, June 19, 1941 to June 18, 1942.

Ordinance 1811, Board of Supervisors, under Bill 1892 of October 20, 1942, requires that vital records of city departments be microfilmed as a protection against their loss, and directs the Recorder to designate such records.

I have now arranged for the micrefilming of Commission minutes from June 18, 1942 to December 31, 1947, under a work order with the reproduction department.

E.A. McDevitt, Commission Secty.

MICROFILM, COMMISSION MINUTES

Bills

Allowed —— E.W.Elliot — Second payment $1000.00

Dan'l P. Convery Labor 7 days 17.50

Secretary July salery 125.00

Committee reports

Commissioner,Mrs.White,introduced the matter of estab - lishing aplayground in the Oriental section,and urged that some action be taken to convert St.Mary's square into a playground.

The proposition was acceptable by the Commissioners, but the question of expense was an obstacle,unlessthe residents of the section where in the square is located,could be prevailed up on to equip the grounds. If this could be accomplished.Com - missioner,Mr.McAren stated it would then be time to make a move to secure thesquare from the Park Commissioners.

Commissioner Mr.Astredo,reported on the work his spe - cial committee had accomplished,and asked approval of the Commissio for the same,viz: -

The contract awarded to Mr.G.L.Hoffman of the Golden Gate Iron Works,was cancelled because of his failure to meet his obligations.

The West Coast Wire and Iron Works agreed to i prove the height of the fence eight inches more,for an addit onal sum of ninety($90.00) dollars over and above their first bid. The offer was accepted and the work or - dered under way,acontract entered and bond furnished to the full award of the contract,anthe time limit mutually agreed upon.

A contract was entered between and signed by the firm of Aldbach and Meyer,of the one part, and the Secretary,representing the Commission of the other part, to dig trench and furnish,also lay sewer pipe to connect the toilets and dressing rooms with the Lombard street sewer.

A special agreement was signed between the

plumber,Mr.W.J.Dowling,regarding the extra cost to change the plumbing work of the toilet,occasioned by the necessity of running the outlet to the Lombard street sewer. If the bill pre - sented by Mr.Dowling,is questioned,a third party will be called in,and the issue settled.the Commission and Mr.Dowling agreeing to abide by the decision.

A change of doors to the toilet of the North Beach Playground,was recommended,and an iron telescope door substituted for a wooden door at an extra cost of $13.50,as more in keeping with circulating of air.

A special agreement was recommended,with Mr. Elliot,to paint and sand all wood work except ceiling and seats in dressing room, for an additional cost of $108.00.

The purchase of 65 tree guards,5feet high and 12inches in diameter,at a cost of 70 cents per guard, was recommended.

The concrete wall was reported as showing cracks and the committee was empowered to get expert opinion before taking any action with the contractor.

The report presented by Commissioner Mr.Astredo was approved and adopted.

Mclaren,
Commissioner stated he would take up with the Secretary,the quuestion of a water pipe to irrigate the South - side grounds,and later make a report.

New Business

Commissioner Mr. Mclaren offered aresolution that was seconded by Commissioner Mrs.White,to petition the Park Com - missioners to transfer any part of Jackson Park to the Playground Commission for use as a playground, This resolution was adopted.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo offered a resolution that the Secretary be allowed a vacation between meetings in August, and which was seconded by Commissioner Mrs.White,with the priv - elege of visiting Los Angeles to study the playgrounds in the

latter city,and his expenses paid from the Playground fund,if no legal objection can offer. This resolution was adopted.

The President announced a vacancy on the equipment Committee,vice Mr.Paixotto resigned.Commissioner Mr.Astredo was d duly selected as Chairman of the Equipment Committee.

Commissioner Mr.Astredo made a motion ,seconded by Commissioner,Mr.McLaren, that a special meeting of the Commission be held,Monday,July,19,1909,to consider the personel,and examine the applicants for appointment for Superintendent,Matron and Care takers. Commissioner,Mr.Astredo spoke at length on the importance of this examination,as it must give a close analyses of the ca - pacity and competentcy of each applicant. The motion was adop - ted, and the Secretary requested to notify all directly inter - ested parties to be present on the hour of ten oclock,a.m. Monday,July,19,1909.

Commissioner Mr.McLaren recommended that the Secretary secure a large City map for the office, and the same was approved,

The Commission adjourned on the hour of 11:15, a. m.

Jno W. Sweeney

Secretary.

Office of Playground Commission,
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco,California,
July, 19, 1909.

A special called meeting of the Playground Commission was held on date,President Mr.McCoy in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present - Commissioner,Mr.McCoy
Mrs.White
Mr.Astredo
Mr.O'Connor
Mr. McLaren — 5 Present

Absent — Mrs.Hayward
Mr.Schlitter — 2 Absent

Meeting

President stated that the meeting was called to ex - amine all applicants for appointment to the position of Super - intendent,Care - takers and Matrons.

Commissioner O'Connor requested the Secretary to pre sent the data in his possession,touching on the qualifications of the several applicants,before calling them in.

The Secretary read the list and testimonials,following which, Commissioner Mr Astredo explained in detail, what he con - cluded should be the line of capacity the successful applicant ought to possess,including character,experience,faculty to im - part knowledge,a good mixer,courageous,execution,good moral char acter,sobriety and care of the habit of smoking.

Commissioner Mrs.White also explained her views which tallied with the statements of Commissioner,Mr.Astredo.

President,Mr.McCoy the directed the Secretary to call in the applicants,one by one,and the President conducted on oral ex - amination,followed by furnishing each with two blank forms with instructions to fill out at their leisure,and return to the Secretary.

The following named applicants answered their names and were duly presented,viz: -

Superintendent	Matrons	Care - takers
Virgil Garibaldi	Mrs.E.V.Ackerson	Mr.J.E.Nason
L.C.Maison	Mrs.J.E.Nason	Mr.Abel Albergi
H.A.J.McKenzie	Miss E.J.McAravy	Mr.M.Ravanni
E.E.Lawrence		Mr. D.P.Convery
E.P.F.Dearbon		
Isadore Myers		
J.P.Burke		
Thos Warburton		
Jas.E.Rogers		

The President directed the Secretary to make note of the statement of Mrs Nason relative to the joint application of her self and husband on the positionthey take for Matron and Care - taker,based onits economical feature.

Commissioner Mr.McLaren offered a resolution,which was seconded by Commissioner,Mrs.White,that the selection of Superintendent be postponed indefinitely. Carried

Commissioner Mr.McLaren offered a resolution,which was seconded by Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,that selection of "Directors of play be made in the regular meeting to be held July,29, 1909. Carried

Commissioner,Mrs.White called the attention of the location of post for wire fence,and urged they be taken up.

The question was discussed at length,and the Commission concluded to let the posts remainas located on the South - side Playground,until other plans were perfected.

Commissioner Mr.McLaren reported that the City Architect Mr.Wixford was willing to take over the responsibility of future plans and contract work on Playgrounds. Approved.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 12:10,noon.

Secretary.

San Francisco, July 1909.

To the Board of Playground Commissioners,
San Francisco, Calif.

The undersigned is an applicant for the position of _____
and respectfully submits the following information as bearing on said application

Respectfully submitted,

_____

Name
Address
Age
Are you a legal resident of the city and county of San Francisco?
What has been your education?
Have you a knowledge of foreign languages?
What business experience have you had?

What special training have you had to qualify you for the position you are applying for?

I refer to the following named persons for information as to my: -

Moral Character
Name Business Address

Business Ability
Name Business Address

Special Qualifications
Name Business Address

Office of Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets,
San Francisco, Calif.
July, 28, 1909.

Meeting

A regular meeting of the Playground Commission, was held this date in the office of the Commission, corner of Pine and Larkin streets, ten oclock a.m., President, Mr. McCoy in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present -
Commissioner, Mr. McCoy
Mrs. White
Mrs. Hayward
Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Astredo
Mr. McLaren 6 present

Absent -
Commissioner, Mr. Schlitter 1 absent

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From the Mayor, acknowledging the receipt of the annual report for the fiscal year ending June, 30, 1909.

From the Sutro Heights Improvement Club requesting the assistance of the Playground Commission in development of a playground adjoining the Lafayette School. The request was referred to Commissioners, Mrs. White and Mr. O'Connor, to look in to the matter, and report at a subsequent meeting.

From - Dr. Brodrick, Health Officer, stating he would report to the Commission later when he completed his examination of bay water for swimming pool uses.

From the City Engineer, furnishing figures of swimming pool measurements, to be constructed on North Beach grounds.

From the West Coast Wire and Iron Works, giving figures for constructing and setting up lockers in North Beach dressing rooms.

Bills

West Coast Wire and Iron Works ——	$45.50	Allowed
Angus Ross -- July Labor	67.50.	"

Committee Reports

Commissioner Mrs.White reported progress on the work of arousing interest in a playground in the Oriental quarter.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo reported he had made diligent in - vestigations regarding the feasability of getting fresh and hot salt water through local plants interested in the use of salt water and now he could only wait until the Health Officer would report on the merits of the water in mind.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,reported on the necessity of care in the cost of material being exercised when the Commission reached that point. As it now appears it would be more economical to give the making of the playground apparatus to local machine shops rather than be held up by out side combinations.

Commissioner Mr.Astredo was directed to get data on cost,from the Narragansett Iron Works(of Providence,R.I.),the A.G.Spaulding and Bros.(of Chicopee,Mass.) the Ellery Arms Co.(with Office in Geary street).

Attorney Prendergast,representing lease holders on the North Beach playground, was present to learn what action the Commission would take in the matter of the leases of his clients,as they were willing to sell the leases to the Commission. The President re - plied that the Commission would not think of paying any thing for the release of lease holdings and the tenants might remain until t the expiration of lease,for the Commission cared.

New Business

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,presented a resolution,seconded by Commissioner Mrs.Hayward that the Commission elect a Director and Care taker for the North Beach Playground,to serve on probation. 4 mos.

Adopted.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,seconded by Commissioner,Mrs.Hayward, presented the name of Virgil Caribaldi for "Director and Caretaker".

The Chair ordered a roll call,and Mr.Caribaldi was elected by the following vote,viz: -

Ayes - Commissioner Mr.Astredo
Mrs.Hayward
Mrs.White
Mr.McLaren
Mr.McCoy 5 ayes

Nays - None

The Commission then fixed the pay of the Director at ninety($90.00) dollars per month.

Commissioner,Mr.McLaren,called attention to the fact that the work of laying the sewer pipe of the North Beach Play - ground was being carried out in a doubtful manner, and the Secre - tary should be around more often on the grounds. This would call an assistant in the office so that the Secretary could be always ready for inside or out side work as the Commission saw fit.

The matter of settling this question was deferred until the next meeting and Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,was requested to look in to the subject.

Commissioner,Mr.Astredo,stated he was going east in Sept., and would,later, ask for leave of absence,as he was going to make inspections of playgrounds on his own responsibility,in addition to his other duties.

The meetingadjourned on the hour of 11:45 a.m.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

Office of Playground Commission,
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco, August, 12, 1909

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission, was called to order, ten oclock, a.m. and in the absence of President, Mr. McCoy, Commissioner, Mrs. White, was elected to fill the chair.

RollCall

Present – Commissioner, Mrs. White
Mrs. Hayward
Mr. Astredo
Mr. Schlitter
Mr. McLaren — 5 present

Absent – Commissioner, Mr. McCoy
Mr. O'Connor — 2 absent

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, corrected, and then approved.

Communications

Letter from Mr. H. P. Post, of Santa Barbara, to Mr. Astredo, regarding a position on local playground work.

An offer to Mr. Astredo, by the firm of Williams and Carter Com. to furnish steel lockers for dressing rooms, at a cost of $3.36 each, was filed.

A letter to Mr. Astredo, from Mr. Thos. Warburton, applicant for appointment to a position on playground work, in which, he admits he is not a citizen.

From the West Coast Wire and Iron Works, inquiring what color the iron fence around the North Beach playground, should have.

From the Sacramento Ice and Cold Storage Com. giving data on salt water for bathing purposes.

From the Park Commissioners, announcing meetings to consider the Playground Commissioners petition to secure Jackson Park as a playground.

From the Sale Association advertising a publication, viz: –

"American Playgrounds"

From Frances J. Avery, of Denver, Colo., applying for appointment to a position on playground work. Filed.

From the Cortlandt Ave. Improvement Ass'n asking that one block of Jefferson Ave. be closed for a playground. The matter was referred to the Board of Works.

Bills

E.W. Elliot	Part payment on Contract	$450.00
W.J. Dowling and Son	Alteration	201.55
Jno. W. Sweeney	Expense to Los Angeles	57.00

A bill for $23.50 to West Coast Wire and Iron Com. was referred to Contractor Elliot for settlement, as he was authorized to substitute a telescope iron door for the toilets.

Committee Reports

Commissioner Mr. McLaren, reported that the Park Commissioners would transfer Jackson Park over to this Commission.

Commissioner Mr. Astredo reported that it was his understanding that the question of transfer would come up Wednesday, August. 25, 1909.

Secretary reported in detail, his trip and investigations of the playgrounds also system in vogue, touching on the construction and developing of same in Los Angeles.

Commissioner, Mrs. White, reported progress in the matter of securing permission and data anent fitting up the school ground adjoining the Lafayette school.

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo reported that Mr. Garibaldi, who was elected in a previous meeting as a Play Director, declines to perform menial Janitor work, in addition to directing play.

Commissioner, Mr. McLaren, there up on presented a resolution, which was seconded by Commissioner, Mrs. Hayward, that the declination of Mr. Garibaldi be accepted. and Mr. Astredo be empowered to secure a janitor who will clean up and care for improvements. for the present and at laborers rate. Adopted.

New Business

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo, reported on placing an out door gymnasium on the grounds, and the Commissioner was directed to present a plan during the next meeting.

Commissioner Astredo, was empowered to select an associate on equipment committee, and there up on named Commissioner Mr. Schlitter.

Commissioner, Mr. McLaren, presented a resolution seconded by Commissioner, Mrs. Hayward, that the Secretary ad vertise for the furnishing of water service pipes on the South side grounds. Adopted.

Meeting adjourned on the hour of 11:45 a.m.

Jno. W. Sweeny

Secretary

San Francisco, August, 26, 1909.

Office of Playground Commission

Pine and Larkin Streets.

Meeting

A regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order, ten oclock a.m., President Mr. McCoy in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present: - Commissioners, Mr. McCoy
Mrs. Hayward,
Mrs. White
Mr. Schlitter
Mr. Astredo 5 present

Absent: - Commissioners, Mr. O'Connor
Mr. McLaren 2 absent

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From: - West Coast Wire and Iron Com. with copy of letter and bid to red lead the Iron picket fence around the Noth Beach g grounds, amounting to $150.00 extra above the existing contract on fence work.

From: - Paul M. Nippert Com. inquiring about the Spargo contract.

From: - Health Officer Broderick with data regarding the question of contamination of salt water for bathing purposes in the con - templated swimming pool for the North Beach playground.

From: -Attorney Dierup with bill from City Construction Com. for a alleged work of filling in South side playgrounds. The Secretary stated that all legitimate accounts had been closed with the Comm pany, and this was merely a hold up.

From: -Wright Wire Com. also th Western Equipment Com. with bids o on wire rope for swings.

From: -Waterhouse and Price with bids for "lockers"

From Geo. H. Tay Company, with prices on water service pipes for the South side grounds.

From: - [illegible]

From: - Mr.Max Jensen applying for appointment as care taker on playgrounds. The application was accompanied by a recommendation from Mr.Jas.Rolph,Banker.

Bills

Jno.W.Sweeney	Salary for August	$125.00
Angus Ross	Labor fr August	65.00
Wm.Brittain	" "	27.50
Ahlbach and Mayer	Laying of sewer on the North Beach Playgrounds was rejected on the score that he did not complete his work.	

Reports of Committees

Commissioner Astredo reported that all plans for the pre - paration of laying the foundation was complete,and it was up to t the City Engineer to go ahead.

The Commissioner reported that he engaged Mr.J.E.Mason to keep the North Beach grounds clean at a rate of $25.00 per month.

The plans for an out door gymnasium are complete and upon motion of Commissioner,Mrs White,seconded by Commissioner Mrs,Hay ward,the plans were approved,and Commissioner Astredo empowered to go on with his good work,in the way of securing bids.

The work on the South side grounds was taken up and Commissioner Mobliter empowered to proceed with leveling and rolling the lot as well to consider the laying the water service pipes on same.

Commissioner Astredo reported that the contractors, Ahlbach and Mayer ,would not clean up the lot after they set in t the sewer pipes on the North Beach grounds,thus causing inter - ference of play on the grounds.

The Commission there up on directed the Secretary with Commissioner Astredo to take up the matter with the City Attorney and be guided by him.

Commissioner Mrs.White reported that a flag pole and flag should be secured for the North Beach Playground,and the matter was referred to the North Beach Committee to arrange for the same,viz: - Commissioners,Mrs.White,Mrs.Hayward and Mr, [illegible]

Commissioner Astredo,reported that one of the lease holders on the North Beach Playground,desired to vacate the premises if the Commission would waive any future claims,and the Secretary was directed to take the necessary steps to secure the release, and sell the improvements.

Commissioner Astredo reported that he wished the Secretary to inform the Security Commpany,bonding Contractor Spargo,that the City would hold them to the bond until Mr. Spargo could dem - onstrate the efficiency of the concrete wall on the Powell street side of North Beach playground.

New Business

Commissioner Astredo stated that he had inserted an adv.for a man who could manage boys in play,and direct the same,and that replies were received,including one from a Mr.Williamson,who gave every appearance of making good;and further,Mr.Williamson was in the ante room waiting an audience with the Commission.

Mr.Williamson was then invited to enter,following which the Commissioners held an interesting interview,and Mr.Williamson was requested to file a formal application with the Secretary,also furnish President Mr.McCoy with the names of any sponsors he wished,including the addressed. This the candidate said he would do within the week.

The matter of appointing a Superintendent was then deferred until the next regular meeting.

By request of Commissioner Mrs.White,the Secretary was di - rected to secure the rate of pay allowed to the attaches of the Los Angeles Playgrounds.

By motion of Commissioner,Mrs.White.seconded by Commissioner, Mrs.Hayward,the Secretary was directed to take up with the City Architect,the matter of plans for a reasonable priced ornamental iron fence,to be put up on the South side playgrounds.

In the matter of the petition of the Sunday Athletic League, to close playgrounds on Sundays,the Commission decided to post - pone any action until the next meeting.

In the matter of laying pipe on the South side playground,the Secretary was directed to take the plans to Commissioner Mclaren,

and revise same,following which to meet with Commissioner,Schlit - ter,and determine the line of action.

In the meantime the Secretary was to join with Commissioner,A Astredo in preparing specifications for the cut door gymnasium.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 12 M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jno. W. Sweeny
Secretary

Correction

The item referring to iron fence around the South side play - ground, should include also a concrete coping on which the fence will stand.

Jno. W. Sweeny
Secretary

Office - Playground Commission,
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco,California.
Sept. 10, 1909.

Meeting

The regular date of the meeting of the Playground Commission falling on the 9th. and the same being a legal holiday, the Com - mission therefore held a session,Friday the 10th of September,1909, President Mr,McCoy in the Chair. The meeting was called to order c on the hour of 10:30 a.m.

Roll Call

Present - Commissioner,Mr.McCoy.
Mrs.Hayward
Mr. Astredo
Mr. Schlitter 4 present,

Absent - Commissioner,Mrs.White
Mr.O'Connor
Mr.McLaren 3 absent

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From the City Attorney,relative to the payment of Ahlbach and Mayer,for the work in laying the sewer pipe across the North Beach playground,with instructions to hold up the payment until the ground was duly cleaned as per contract.

From Dr.Luther Gulick of New York requesting data on work of local playgrounds.

From Supt Raitt of Los Angeles giveing rate of pay in the latter city.

From Ahlbach and Mayer,cautioning the Commission that under no circumstances will their firm be financialy responsible for removing dirt from the North Beach playground.

From the Mayor approving the waivure of lease hold on the im provement of 2002 Mason street.

Application from Mr. Sherman E, Danforth for the Superintend - ent of playgrounds.

Application from Mr.J.E.Williams for Superintendent of play - grounds.

Application from Mr.T.G.Cook for the Superintendent of playgrounds.

From Thos Warburton enquiring what action the Commission will take anent his application for Superintendent of playgrounds.

Bills

Eugene Dietzgen	24 Blue prints	$ 6.48
E.W.Elliot	Final payment on contract	2245.50
Evening Post	Advertisement	6.48
A.L.Sloe	Drawings for Gymnasium	65.00
J.W.Sweeney	Sundry expenses	3.50

Committee reports

The consensus offindings as reported by Commissioner,Mr. Astredo that the playgrounds should be closed every Sunday morn - ing until 12 oclock noon. This is the order.

Commissioner Astredo reported on the ad visability to en - gage a Director of play for the North Beach playgrounds, and he stated that if there was no legal objection,it would be an excel - lent thing to engage Mr.J.E.Williamson. Commissioner Mr.Astredo was empowered to call in Mr. Williamson,and explain the situation as presenting to the Commission,and at the meeting of the Commis - sion later report results.

Commissioner,Mrs.Hayward reported locking up a flag pole for the playgrounds,and that a 65 feet pole would at least cost $75.00 and not include the flag. Mrs Hayward was authorized to make all necessary arrangements for securing a flag pole,65 feet in length and to this committee,including Commissioners,Mrs.White and Mr. Schlitter,full power to act was granted.

Commissioner, Mr.Schlitter reported that there is much work to be done in order that the South side grounds be whipped in to shape,and it would be necessary to first fence in the grounds, lay water pipe,also,before plowing ad rolling.

The Commission there upon granted full power to Commissioner

Mr. Schlitter, to proceed with the work in hand,with out delay.

Commissioner,Mr. Astredo reported that owing to the ina - bility to get any action on the swimming pools with Engineer Mr. Connick, he could just determine on what course to pursue anent developing the profile of the west half of the North Beach play - grounds.

Commissioner,Mr,Schlitter,reported the same delays offer in t the matter of fence design.

This matter of delay was the subject of earnest discussion by Commissioners,following which,and upon motion of Mrs.Hayward,sec - onded by Mr.Astredo,that Mr. Schlitter engage outside engineer and the services be paid for,was adopted.

Commissioner Astredo was authorized to look in to matter of s securing quantities of torpedo sand for ground covering.

New Business

By direction of the Commission,Mr.Astredo was empowered to make any arrangements he could with the Board of Works, for the setting down of an asphalt sidewalk around the playgrounds.

In the matter of the applications for Superintendent of play grounds, the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Cook of Spokane,and Mr.Warburton of this City,pointing out the section of Charter,that disqualifies both gentlemen,in the matter of con - sideration.

The meeting adjourned 11:45 a.m.

Jno. W. Sweeney

Secretary.

Office of Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco, Calif.
Sept. 23, 1909.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order 10:15 oclock a.m. President, Mr.McCoy, in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:-
Commissioner, Mr.McCoy
Mrs.Hayward
Mrs.White
Mr.Astrodo
Mr.Schlitter
Mr.McLaren
Mr.O'Connor 7 present

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From: - The Park Commission re inquiring what action the Playground Commission had taken in the matter of Jackson Park.

From: - Miss Katherine B.Wilcox, Editor of "Our Little Friend" offering childrens literature for free distribution.

From: - California Promotion Committee offering assistance to encourage the holding of the 1911 Playground Congress in this State.

From: - THE Public Athletic League of Baltimore stating that lit - erature of their work was to accompany the letter of in - formation.

From: - Mr. Warburton to Commissioner McCoy, relative his application for appointment as Superintendent of playgrounds, and his partial citizenship.

From; - E.L.Winslow, Chas.W.Hill, Chas.L.Reynolds endorsing Mr.J.E.Wil - liamson for appointment as Director of play on the Municipal playgrounds.

From: - Loo Kim Eli of the Canton Bank of this city protesting in form against the failure of Playground Commission to equip

PAYROLL FOR SEPTEMBER, L()(1909.

	Angus Ross	$65,00
	Wm, Brittain	12.50
	Jas. Ramsden	37.50
	Phil Knack	37.50
	Albert Peters	35.00
	Homer Welch	30.00
	Jas. McConologue	17.50
	Harry Huddy	15.00
	J. E. Nason	40.00

Commissioner Mrs.White called up the letter of the president of the Chinese bank regarding the playground in the Oriental quarter, and thought the matter should be given more serious consideration, and more so since the claim was made that the place was given over for the use of the section mentioned. There was some doubt expressed regarding the claim that the City had turned over St.Mary Street for the use of the people in that quarter; therefore Commissioner, Mrs.White was empowered to look further in to the claim.

Commissioner, Mrs.Hayward, reported that in a previous meeting she stated what was her understanding as to the complete cost of the flag pole for the North Beach playgrounds; but learned since that her figures could be only be applied to the pole, halliards and ball.

Commissioner, Mr.Astrodo confirmed the statement of Commissioner Mrs.Hayward, and that the committee would proceed to setting up of the pole immediately.

Commissioner, President, Mr.McCoy, reported that following his investigations anent the merits of Mr.J.E.Williamson for the position of the director of playgrounds, he was prepared to accept the gentleman, if the legal obstacles could be eliminated.

The Secretary was requested to read the section in the charter covering the case, and the Commissioners discussed the issue at length reached the conclusion that if the applicant would take the risk on a challenge later bearing on his nonresidence, and thus meet outside opposition to receiving his pay, the Commissioners were ready to vote on his appointment to the position of "Director of Play!

Mr. Williamson consented to accept the risk, following which, Commissioner, Mr. Astredo, presented a resolution, seconded by Commissioner, Mrs. Hayward, that Mr. H. H. Williamsonbe declared the duly appointed "Director of Play" to serve a probationary period of three months. President Mr. McCoy ordered a call of the roll, and Mr. Williamson was unanimously elected; Commissioner, Mr. O'Connor not being present during the vote or previous discussion.

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo, presented a resolution, seconded by Commissioner, Mrs. Hayward, that the salary of Mr. Williamson be fixed at $135:00 per month. This resolution was carried unanimously adopted.

MR. WILLIAMSON was present and asked that his duties begin Oct, 15, 1909, and the Commissioners consented to this arrangement.

Commissioner, Mr. McLaren reported that the Park Commission had granted the use of Jackson Park to the Playground Commission for a period of ten years.

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo reported that Contractor Sparge had n not finished his work on the North Beach playgrounds, also the break on t the Powell street side of the same grounds.

THE Commission thereupon directed Commissioner, Mr, Astredo to take the necessary steps to compel action.

Commissioner, MR. Astredo presented a tentative plan for sanding graveling and laying down of tan bark for the grounds; also the mean cost and locality whence the material could be secured.

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo, presented a resolution, seconded by Commissioner, Mrs. White, that the Secretary dictate to a competent stenographer his report of findings during the Secretary's visit in Los Angeles in Agust of this year; and further, several copies be run off for distribution, the Commission to pay cost of same. This resolution was Adopted.

Commissioner, Mr. McLaren presented a resolution, seconded by Commissioner, Mr. Astredo, that the City Architect be requested to present a detail of the equipment of the South Side playground as it will appear when complete and wholly reserved for playground purposes, Adopted.

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo announced that he would start for a t two months tour of the Eastern cities before an other regular meeting and he wished to be put in a position, so he could take photos of the playground centers, and make a practical report on his return home.

The Commission there up on appropriated for this purpose, the sum of ten(10) dollars, and the same delivered to Commissioner, Mr. Astredo.

Bids on Outdoor Gymnasium

President, Mr. McCoy, called up the proposals to furnish the material and equipments for the out door gymnasium, and the Secretary read as follows; -

Orton Mch. Co	$ 757.00
West Coast Wired Iron Co.	650.00
Wittman, Lyman Co.	1075.00
Geo. H. Tay Com.	675.00
Ahlbach and Mayer	625.00
Crane & Com.	396.50

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo presented a resolution, seconded by Commissioner, Mrs. Hayward, that two sets of the apparatus be secured from Crane and Company. Adopted.

Engineer, Mr. A. L. SLEE was present with a plan of an iron fence together with concrete coping setting, as per request of Commissioner, Mr. Schlitter. The drawings were submitted, and accepted by the Commission.

The Commissioners were not of a mind regarding the size or the height of the fence, and Commissioners, McLaren and Schlitter were requested to report on the question later,

It was decided that the plan was sufficient, with out further details.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 11:45 a.m.

Jno. W. Sweeny
Secretary.

Financial Standing

PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

Funds to the credit of the Commission,July,1,1909	$38,332.48
Expenses from July,1 toOct,8,1909	6,952.20
Funds on hand,Oct,8,1909	$ 31,380.28

Office of Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Sts.
San Francisco,Calif.
Oct. 7, 1909.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order,10:10 a.m. President,Mr.McCoy,in the chair.

Roll Call

Present : - Commissioner, Mr. McCoy.
Mrs. Hayward
Mrs. White
Mr. Schlitter
Mr. O'Connor
Mr. McLaren — 6 present
Absent on leave — Mr. Astrodo — 1 absent

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From - Mr. Ray Dougherty,applying for a position as playground assistant was ordered filed.

From - The Park Commission with copy of resolution transferring Jackson Park over to the Playground Commission. The Secretary was directed express the thanks of the Playground Commission for the same.

From - Crane and Co. with a supplementary bid of $222.75 to the original bid of the previous week. This bid was first delivered to Commissioner MR. Astrodo,and by him delivered to Mr J.E.Williamson,who in turn gave it to the Secretary.

From - Ahlbach and Mayer protesting the granting of furnishing of work for outdoor gymnasium to the Crane co.

From - California Bldg.Material Co. with sample of top dressing of small rock or gravel for playgrounds.

From Mr. J.E.Williamson with a request for office room and a recommendation to rent one across the street from the North Beach playground.

Bills

Neil and Koster	Sign painting	$12.00
E.Forrest	Blacksmithing	13.25
Van Arsdale & Harris	Lumber	5085
"Lasbey's"	Foto films	8.40
Henry Crowell L.&C.Co.	Lime	10.25
West Coast W.&I.Co.	Iron Fence	1480.00
Jno. W. Sweeney	Incidentals	2.75
Geo. H. Tay Co.	Water pipe	556,12

Committee reports

Commissioner,Mrs. White reported that rumor had it that a dance hallwas in contemplation near by the South Side playground,

Commissioners,Mrs.White,Mrs.Hayward and Mr. Schlitter were empowered to look in to the matter,and take such actionthat would prevent the consumation of the establishment of a dance hall.

Commissioner Mrs. White presented a letter addressed to herself,and in which a Mr.H.S.Curtis of Worcester,Mass. announced his mission as a lecturer on playgrounds.

Action was deferred as the surroundings were not effective, and Mrs. White was empowered to reply,and explain same.

Commissioner Mrs.Hayward,reported that she met Mr, Spargo,to whom she called attention that Commissioner,Mr Astrede was not satisfied with the concrete wall on Powell street side of playground.

The Secretary was directed to invite the City Architect to inspect the wall,and render an opinion on same.

New Business

Commissioner,Mr. Schlitter,and Assistant City Architect,Mr. DeCommenil,presented designs of prospective playgrounds,for which a vote of thanks was recorded to the two gentlemen.

Mr. DeCommenil offered a design of a fence to surround the South Side playground .

The newly Director of play in a communication stated he wished an office,and suggested a room across the street on Lombard street.

Commissioners, Mrs. White and Mrs. Hayward were appointed to look in to the present vacant frame building #2002 Mason street,also the feasability of using one of the dressing rooms on the grounds, as a means of utilising same for office of Director of Play.

Commissioner,Mrs. Hayward urged that every effort be made to secure the assistance of the Board of Works to lay the asphalt walk around the playgrounds.

The matter of just what portion of the playground is under lease,was a matter of discussion and the Secretary was directed to secure data.

Inthe matter of the protest of Ahlbach and Mayer,against giving the gymnasium work to the Crane Com. the Secretary was directed to address a letter to the City and County Att'y and secure an opinion.

Adjourned on the hour of 11:50 a,m.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

Office of Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco, Calif.
Oct. 28, 1909.

Meeting

The meeting of this day was called in lieu of Thursday, Oct. 21, 1909, the latter day fallen on Portola day and the members were as a matter of course engaged in other parts of the City.

President Mr. McCoy called the meeting to order on the hour of 10:10 a. m.

Roll Call

Present: -

Commissioners - Mr. McCoy
Mrs. Hayward
Mr. O'Connor
Mr. McLaren
Mr. Schlitter 5 present

Absent Mrs. White

Absent on leave Mr. Astredo

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From - Commissioner Astredo in Providence, R.I. with information and data.

From - Clerk Jno. E. Behan of the Bd. of Supervisors referring an old bill for seal and printing, the same having been ordered by former Commissioner Mr. Thos F. Boyle in Nov. 1908, and directing the Commission to pay the same.

From Secretary F. A. Healy of Park Commission with reference to acknowledging receipt of Playground Commission's thanks for the transfer of the Jackson Park.

From - Benicia Tannery Co also Eagle Tannery Co, with prices to furnish tan bark in loads.

From - Geo. W. EHLEN, Secretary of Baltimore Playground Ass'n seeking information.

From - Fred H. Meyer, of the Calif. Promotion Committee proffering assistance in bring the next Playground Ass'n Convention to California.

From Mr. Lee F. Hammer, Secretary of Playground Extension Committee of New

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York, asking for data and list of names of the local Playground Commission.

From - City and County Att'y Percy V. LONG giving legal advice to the effect that the Commission was right in awarding the pipe work for out door gymnasiums to the Crume Co.

From ass't City Architect Mr. Colmencil assuring the Commission that the east only wall of the North Beach Playgrounds is in apparently first class condition.

Bills

Jas Ramsden	Laborer	S.S. GD'S.	$80.00
Phil Knack	"	"	2.50
Al, Peters	"	"	17.50
Jas, McConologue	"	"	20.00
John. McConologue	"	"	2.50
Agnus Ross	"	"	65.00
Harry Ruddy	"	"	20.00
J. E. Mason	"	"	25.00
J. E. Williamson	Director of Play		62.50
Jno. W. Sweeney	Secretary		125.00
Ahlbach and Mayer	Sewer Contract		350.00
Calif. Notion & Toy co.	10x20 Flag		15.00
Geo. H. TAY CO.	Water service pipe		36.85
Jos. Hagerty	Laborer	S.S. Pgds.	5.00

Reports of Committees

Commissioner Mr. Schlitter presented his plan of the South Side Playground and rendered a very intelligent explanation of the purposes of same, the Commission upon motion of Mr. O'Connor, seconded by Mrs. Hayward, directed Commissioner Mr. Schlitter to proceed with the work as outlined by his plans and go as far as he could, with fullpower to act, assisted by Mr. McLaren.

Mrs. Hayward from the committee on site for office for Director of Play reported the old frame building #2002-4 Mason St. would not answer, and recommended that the Secretary address a letter to the Mayor's Secretary and urge the sale of the structure. Adopted.

New Business

Commissioner, Mr. McLaren asked that a plan of the North Beach grounds as changed be made, and Mrs. Hayward, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Schlitter and Mr. Williamson were directed to secure the same.

The bill of Crocker Co was discussed, and the Secretary stated that the items were correct but the price of the seal was higher than the seals secured by other departments. Mr. O'Connor presented a resolution, seconded by Mrs. Hayward, that the Secretary try to have the bill reduced and the same

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will be paid. The roll was called and the resolution was adopted.

Commissioner Mr. O'Connor presented a resolution, seconded by Commissioner Mr. McLaren, that the Secretary Draw on the Treasurer for $50.00 to meet contingent expenses of small items and render accounts of each item.

This motion was carried after the Secretary explained that small items must be paid out of his pocket, and then a month must pass before he could get his money; which was rather inconvenient very often.

Commissioner Mr. O'Connor offered a resolution seconded by Mr. Schlitter that Mr. Williamson, Director of Play, engage Mr. J.E.MASON as a laborer on North Beach Playground at a rate of pay of $65.00 per month. Carried.

Commissioner, Mrs. Hayward presented a resolution, seconded by Mr. O'Connor that Director of Play, Mr. Williamson, engage an office on Lombard street at a rental of $12.50 per month. Also to arrange to secure office furniture not to exceed $75.00. By direction of Mr. O'Connor, Mr. Williamson was advised to interview Mr. McGinnis of the Purchasing department of Bd. of Education, and get his figures.

The Director of Play was directed to proceed with the matter of securing and setting of a suitable screen in front of the toilets on the North Beach Playgrounds.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 11:55 a.m.

Jas. W. Sweeney

Secretary.

Office of Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco, Calif.
Nov. 4, 1909,

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order, 10.10 a.m. President Mr. McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present: - Commissioners - Mr. McCoy, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. O'Connor, Mr. McLaren — 4 present

Absent: - Commissioners — Mrs. White and Mr. Schlitter, Mr. Astredo (on leave) — 3 absent.

Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From: - Mr. Howard Bradstreet, Secretary of the Parks and Playgrounds Of New York, requesting a copy of Charter Amendment creating the Playground Commission.

Bills

Spring Valley Water Co.	To Oct. 25, 1909	$ 4.20
Geo. H. Tay Co.	15 street washers	39.35
Jno. W. Sweeney	Expenses	6.95.

Reports of Committees

The bill of H.S. Crocker Co. for aseal and stationery for the Playground Commission ordered by former Commissioner Mr. Boyle came up and the Secretary reported that the firm would not rebate one cent, and upon motion of Commissioner Mr. McLaren, seconded by Commissioner Mr. O'Connor the bills of the Crocker firm was allowed Mrs. Hayward voting in the negative.

Commissioner Mr. McLaren reported that good work was being performed on the South Side grounds, and was encouraging.

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New Business

On motion of Commissioner Mr. McLaren ,Seconded by Commissioner Mr. O'Connor,all bills must be approved the last meeting in the month.

Director of Play Mr. Williamson, presented a report in effect as follows: -

Mr.J.E.Mason was engaged as caretaker of the North Beach Playground at a monthly salery of $65.00.

A room for office of Director of Play was hired on Lombard street,opposite the grounds at a rental of $12.50 per month.

The ground on the east half of the North Beach grounds was in need of a tpp dressing to macadamize the floor,and Mr. Williamson was directed to macadamize and gravel the ground.

On motion of Commissioner Mr. McLaren seconded by Commissioner Mr.O'Connor,the Director of Play was ordered to have the hand ball court wall widened to fifty feet,on the North Beach grounds.

Commissioner Mrs.Hayward read a letter from Commissioner Mr.Astredo now in the east,explaing in that he had gathered data of profit.

Mr.Williamson presented a plan from the City Architect's office that will drain off the North Beach grounds on the corner of Lombard and Greenwich alley.

On motion of Mr. McLaren,seconded by Mr.O'Connor the plan was approved.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 10:55 a.m.

Jno. W. Sweeney

Secretary.

Office of Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco,Calif.
Nov. 18, 1909.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order,10:10 oclock a.m. President Mr.McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present: -
Commissioners - Mr. McCoy
Mrs. Hayward
Mrs. White
Mr. Schlitter
Mr. McLaren 5 present

Absent: - Commissioners - Mr. O'Connor
Mr. Astredo - On leave

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

From: -

San Francisco Womens Club,requesting the Playground Commission to improve the playgrounds adjoining the Glenn Park School.

The Secretary was directed to refer the same to the Board of Education.

From: -

Mr. E.S.Curtis of Providence,R.I. and Worcester,Mass. addressed to Commissioner,Mrs. White, in which the writer announced he was an expert speaker on Playground work,and wished an engagement in this city.

The Secretary was directed to inform the gentleman that the Commission could not appropriate any money from its fund for the purpose conveyed in his letter,as the Charter forbids doing so.

From: -

Mr.Meyer of the Calif.Pro.Committee,to Mrs.White, in which he still proffers the services of his Committee to aid in promoting theidea of holding the 1911 Playground Congress in this State.

The Secretary was directed to notify Mr Meyer that at the present time it was too early for activities along the line referred to,but as a State organization was to be effected,it would be well to work with the

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new organization,and we would be thus working in harmony,for a common end.
From: -

City Architect,Mr, Rixford,with a statemen of work performed by his assistants in behalf of the Playground Commission,viz: -

J.B.Kauser	Draughtsman	$20.85
C.McVey		16.65
Geo Comesnil		20.00

Commissioner,Mrs.White desired further light on the matter and the bill was held up until a future date.

Bills

The following bills and salaries were ordered paid,viz: -

West Coast Wire and Iron Works	$ 3.70
Brittain and Co.	28.86
Milwaukee Furniture Co.	14.50
Library Bureau	35.00
Jno.W.Sweeney	125.00
J.E.Williamson	125.00
J.E.Mason	65.00
Jas. Ramsden	15.00

Reports

Director of Play,Mr.Williamson,presented an oral report of progress on the grounds,viz: -

The hand ball court should be asphalted.

The lavatory should be equiped with soap and parts of toilet furniture.

A screen should be secured for the lavatory.

The entrance to the grounds,(North Beach) should be only concreted so far as the end of wall.

Upon motion of Mrs,White,seconded byMrs.Hayward,Mr. Williamson was directed to get figures on asphalting the space within the handball court and report at next meeting.

Upon motion of Mr.McLaren,seconded by Mrs.Hayward,the Director was authorized to provide the lavatory with necessaries not to exceed a total cost of $115.00

Commissioner Schlitter,together with Mr.Williamson,to provide an adequate screen for the lavatory,was ordered.

Mr. Williamson was empowered to change the plan of concrete extension in the entrance to the North Beach grounds.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 10:50 a.m.

Jno W. Sweeney
Secretary

Payroll of Playground Commission for the month of Nov. 1909.

Jno.W.Sweeney	Secretary		$125.00
J.E.WILLIAMSON	Director.		125.00
J.E.Mason	Caretaker		65.00
Angus Ross	Laborer		65.00
Jos.Hagerty	"		56.25
H.Maddy	"		51.25
Jas.Ramsden	"		51.25
Phil Knack	"		37.50
H.Federlein	"		42.50
F.Terry	"		45.00
Wm.Shoenbein	"	Janitor himself	32.50
W.Cody	"		27.50
H.Hunter	"		25.75
Chris Young	"		17.50
J.Cronin	"		26.25
F.J.Ferrall	"		2.50
T.Martin	"		2.50
Miss.E.Walsh	Stenographer and Mimeograph Work -		6.00
			$ 782.50

J.B.Kauser	Draftsman	$20.85
C.McVey	"	16.65
Geo.Comesnil	"	20.00

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MONTHLY REPORT
of
DIRECTOR OF PLAY
J.E.WILLIAMSON

San Francisco Calif.Dec 1st 1909

To The Honorable
The Board of Playground Commissioners
City and County of San Francisco.

I respectfully submit herewith a brief report covering the period between October 15th and November 30th.inclusive, 1909.

From Oct.15th to Nov.1st.,on account of inclement weather and the various Holidays I did very little active work,I put in most of this time in meeting various persons who might be of assistance to me in this line of work,in studying over the various playgrounds with a view to ascertaining what should be done in the way of laying out the grounds,putting them in shape etc.

About November 1st the Commission instructed me to proceed with the work on both the South Side and North Beach Grounds, and to do all in my power to get a large part of the rough work completed before the beginning of the rainy season.In compliance with these instructions I submit herewith statement of work accomplished on the various grounds.

NORTH BEACH PLAYGROUND.

285 loads of crushed rock.aggregating 570 cubic yards, have been spread over the playground at a depth ranging from 2 to 5 inches, this rock cost at the crusher $2.00 per load,or one dollar per cubic yard,a total of $570.00. A number of teams were employed for several days in hauling this rock at a cost of $186.00;Previous to placing the rock on the grounds it was necessary for me to employ a number of laborers and a couple of teams for the purpose of filling up the hollows and levelling off the high places which were left by the graders,the cost of this work and that of levelling off the rock as it was dumped from the wagons cost aproximately $230.00,making the total cost(to date) of putting the ground in shape for the final surfacing aproximately $986.00.The rock is now spread and with a couple of days labor will be ready for rolling and covering with the final top dressing.The Board of Public works has promised me the use of an 8 ton steam roller as soon as the ground is ready.

The sawing board at the handball court was 35 feet long,too wide for one court and too small for two,this has been enlarged to a width of 50 feet,and will be completed by the end of this week. The Contractor who installed the 35 foot board is doing the work at a cost of $123.00.

The lavatory has been equipped with the latest sanitary devices, including 8 toilet paper cabinets,6 liquid soap containers,and 6 deodorizers; sufficient liquid soap,deodorizer and disenfectant [redacted] to last aproximately one year was purchased at a cost of $10[redacted].00 The fixtures are loaned free by the concerns supplying the various liquids used in them.

Tools sufficient for the present needs of the men employed have been purchased and are now in use.Supplies for the Janitor,such as brooms,soap &c have been purchased.

Commissioner Mrs.Hayward purchased a large flag and it has been raised every clear day since Oct.19th.

An Office has been rented at a house across from the grounds at a cost of $12.50 per month,same has been fully equipped at a cost of $75.00.

Plans submitted by Commissioner Mr.Schlitter for laying out baseball diamond &c have been approved [redacted]

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A Janitor who devotes his entire time to the grounds has been hired at a salary of $65.00 per month.

Vines have been planted at one end of the bath house at the suggestion of Commissioner Mrs.White.,and a place at each side of the main entrance has been prepared for planting trees and grass.

I have interviewed several private contractors, and also the Board of Public Works relative to asphalting the Handball court and a space in front of the Bath house,I find that the Municipal asphalt plant will lay aproximately I 1/2 inches of asphalt at 6c per square foot, or two inches and a little over at 8c per square foot,I would suggest that the Municipal plant be requested to do the work.

Owing to the northwest corner of the grounds being below the level of the rest it will be necessary to instal a cesspool in that corner,which will according to the best figures I can get cost between $65 and $75.00.

Altogether we have made good progress at these grounds,and with a little clear weather they can easily be put in shape for the children to use by the first of February.

SOUTH SIDE GROUNDS

From November first to November 30th we have had hauled free of cost to the Commission over 700 loads of fertilizer and same has been spread over about two thirds of the grounds where it is now being left until the weather is so that it can be plowed under.

On the Eastern half of the Grounds there were several very low places and most of this section was far below grade,in order to level this portion up there have been hauled 575 loads of clay at a cost per load of $.65c , a total to date of $338.00 in addition to this I have secured about 150 loads of sand & poor dirt free of cost, which has been dumped in the very low spots to be covered with clay. In order to enable the temas to put the clay and other dirt where I wanted it I agreed to stand a portion of the cost of an extra team during the time the hauling has been going on,the cost to the Commission to date for this team and man is $27.00 A number of men have been employed spreading fertilizer and clay,their wages to date amounting to about $[redacted]35.00 The rough work at these grounds is about completed and there can be little more done until Spring.A Janitor is employed at these grounds,and although I had barbed wire stretched clear around on the inside of the Walk,it will be necessary to keep him permanently in order to prevent dumping of refuse which will cost us far more to remove than the wages of a man.

Plans for Athletic section,baseball diamonds &c submitted by Commissioner Mr.Schlitter have been approved and the work now being done is in harmony with his plans.

JACKSON SQUARE GROUNDS

These grounds will require a large outlay of money if they are to be made into [redacted] satisfactory playgrounds,a great deal of filling and bulkheading will be necessary.two men,with two scrapers were employed for several days in smoothing off the upper half in order to allow the dumping of dirt to advantage,teams and labor amounted to aproximately $65.00 I have made arraingements with Sewer contractors working near these grounds to dump a large amount of rough dirt in the low places,free of cost to the Commission.In addition to the free dirt which we can get I believe it will require three to five thousand loads of clay to surface,and probably three thousand yards of rock.that is if we work along the same lines as the North Beach grounds. From now until spring we can only work intermittently on any of the playgrounds.

Respectfully submitted,
J.E.Williamson
DIRECTOR

Financial Statement

and

Funds to the credit

of

San Francisco Playground Commission

Oct,8, 1909 - Funds on hand		$31,380.28
Oct,8 ---Dec.3,1909 -Expenses		2,357.06
Dec.3, 1909 - Funds on hand		$29,023.22

All bills presented up to and including Dec.2,1909,have been paid.

There remains however several outstanding obligations,that must be met when the statements come in, viz: -

Jno. Spargo	Balance on contract	$261.00
E.W.Elliot	Carpenter work	125.00
W.J.Sloane	9 x 12 Rug - W.B.Gds.	25.00
Granfield Co.	Delivery of Clay	?
J.O'Shea	Teaming	?
Gray Bros	Broken rock	?

Respectfully,

Secretary

Office of Playground Commission

Pine and Larkin Streets,

San Francisco,California,

Thursday,Dec.2,1909.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order 10:15 oclock a.m. President Mr.McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present - Commissioners,Mr.McCoy
Mrs.Hayward
Mrs. White
Mr. Astredo
Mr. Schlitter
Mr. McLaren
Mr. Hayden -------- ?

Communications

From : - Mr. Jas McKinlay,Secretary of the Potrero Promotion Club,or Association, recalling the attention of the Playground Commission to the proximity of the proposed garbage plant to Jaakson Park, a prospective playground,in the Potrero section,urging the Com - mission to protest. The letter was ordered filed.

From : - Dr. L.H.Gulick of New York(per Secretary Mason) to Commissioner Astredo,announcing the arrival of the Doctor in California. Following a motion of Commissioner,Mrs.Hayward,seconded by Commissioner,Mrs.White,a committee of three was appointed by the Chairman,including,Commissioners,Mr.Astredo,Mrs.Hayward and Mr. Schlitter,to entertain the distinguished visitor when he arrives in this city,Dec.27 - 30,1909.

From : - U.S.Health Service Dep't (Dr.Blue) by telephone,tendering the two small buildings situated on the South Side Playgroubds,to the Play- ground Commission. The same was accepted,and turned over to the committee on Sites and Buildings,Commissioner McLaren,chairman.

From ; - Secretary Dodge, Bd. of Education, a message in effect that the President of the School Board, is now Mr. Thos E. Hayden, vice Mr. Jas. O'Connor, resigned. This substitutes Mr. Hayden for Mr. O'Connor on the Playground Commission, per City Charter.

From : -Mrs. M. Cerman of San Diego, Calif. requesting slide photos of the San Francisco Playgrounds. The Secretary reported that it was not possible to send the required slides as the local grounds wasein a constructive stage at present.

From : - Mr. Thos P. Brown, Deputy Sup't of Public Instruction of the State of California, inquiring about the purported organization of a State Ass'n on Playground work. The gentleman was referred the meeting to be held in the St. Francis Hotel, Saturday, Dec. 4, ten a.m.

From : - Clerk of Board of Supervisors, requesting an inventory of the personal property in possession of the Playground Commission.

Bills

J.E. Williamson.	Expense account	$ 38.50
Gray Bros.	Broken rock	400.00
Hartnett and McClinchy	Clay	36.40
Brittain and Co,	Hardware	2.00
Geo. Comasnil	Draftsman	20.00
J.B. Kauser	"	16.65
C. McVey	"	20.85
West Disenfectant Co.		102.25

All bills were approved on roal call unanimously, with the exception of the vote on the three draftsmen, in which Commissioner Mrs. White asked to be noted as protesting.

Reports

Director of Play, Mr. Williamson, presented a type written report of wprk as a constructive force , and which appears elsewhere.

Commissioner Mr. Astredo, rendered an oral report of his experience in the east, and related the conditions presenting in the larger cities of the east. The Commissioner exhibited a large number of snap photos taken by himself in the several cities he visited.

New Business

New Business

Commissioner Mr. Astredo introduced the matter of developing the west half of the North Beach Playground, and Commissioner Mrs. Hayward, presented a resolution, seconded by CommissionerMrs. White , that the North Beach committee proceed with the work, with out delay.

Commissioner Mr. Astredo was directed to carry out the work.

Commissioner Mr, McLaren presented a resolution, seconded by Com - missioner Mrs. White, that all work on the Jackson Park Playground cease.

The same was adopted, with out debate.

The Meeting then adjourned on the hour of 11:25 a.m.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

Correction - The motion covering the cessation of work on the Jackson Park playground should read until March, 1910/

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary

Office of Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco, Calif.
Dec. 16, 1909.

Meeting

A regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 10:15 a.m. President Mr.McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present : - Commissioners, Mr. McCoy
Mrs. Hayward
Mrs. White
Mr. Schlitter

Absent : - Mr. Astredo
Mr. McLaren
Mr. Hayden

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and corrected in the item to be read as follows: - All work on Jackson Park to cease until March 1910. The correction was made and the minutes approved.

Communications

From : -Mr. Jno. W. Sweeney, resigning the office of Secretary of the Playground Commission, the same to take effect not later than Dec.31,1909. The resignation was accepted, and President, Mr.McCoy in a few well chosen remarks paid a tribute to the efficiency of the retiring Secretary.

From : - Mr. Jos.R.Hickey, applying for the position of Secretary of the Playground Commission. The application was ordered filed.

From : - Mrs. Mary E. Cheney, of Berkeley University requesting any printed matter the Commission has issued.

Bills

The following bills were presented, andon roll call were ordered paid, viz: -

J.W.SCHOUTEN	$ 7.37

Bills (continued)

Granfield Company	$423.36
E.W.Elliot	123.00
J. O'Shea	36.00
A.P.W.Paper Co.	8.50
G.Bacigalupi	9.00
Cal.Art Metal and Wire Co.	7.40
Gray Bros.	170.00
S.V.W.Works	5.80
W.AND J.SLOANE	25.00
Brittain and Co.	9.55
Madigan, O'Neill and Co.	234.75
	$1060.02

Reports

Director, Mr.Williamson, made a detailed report of the progress of the work on the respective playgrounds, and reccommendedthat a stove be secured for the S.S. Office, alsothe necessity of rolling the North Beach grounds, placing the asphalt floor for hand ball court, plow and harrow the South Side grounds, and finally the out door gymnasiums will be placed in position by the first of the new year.

Commissioner, Mrs.Hayward, presented aresolution, seconded by Commissioner Mrs.White, that Mr.Williamson proceed with the work, and secure a small stove for the office on the South Side Grounds. The same was adopted.

Commissioner, Mrs.Hayward reported that it was her understanding the "Norman Room" of the Fairmount Hotel was engaged for the reception of Dr. L.R.Gulick, the same to behold Dec.28,1909.

New Business

Mr. Williamson asked if it was not possible to pay the help a part of their wages before Christmas. The Commission thought it was right and the men will be paid.

President Mr.McCoy was authorized to investigate the question of salaries, and the bearing the Court decisions will have the right of the Commissionto regulate the same over and above the Supervisors position.

The Secretary read an inventory of property in the possession of the Playground Commission.

The use of the office by the Board of Education, was a theme for dis -

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cussion, and the consensus of opinion favored the removal of headquarters to a place not likely to be taken away with out a moments notice.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 11:30 a.m. to meet again and finish the work of selecting a Secretary to succeed Mr. Sweeney, Thursday, Dec.23,1909.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

Office - Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
Dec. 23, 1909.

Pursuant to adjournment of meeting, Dec, 16, 1909, the Playground Commission assembled this day, ten oclock a.m.. President Mr. McCoy in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present: - Commissioners, Mr. McCoy
Mrs. Hayward
Mrs. White
Mr. Astredo
Mr. Schlitter — 5 present

Absent: - Commissioners, Mr. Hayden
Mr. McLaren — 2 absent

Communications

From: - H.S. Braucher, Secretary Playground Association of America, requesting descriptive data on the organization of local playground work. The request was referred to Commissioner, Mrs. White for action.

From: - City Construction Co. demanding payment for material alleged to be delivered on the South Side grounds. The Secretary reported that the Commission could make a counter claim for expense in removing debris, the City Construction Co. deliberately unloaded with out authority theron.

Commissioner Mr. Astredo, presented a resolution, seconded by Commissioner, Mrs White, that the Secretary refer the matter back to Mr. Buckman of the company, and add that there was no record of any agreement with Commossioner, Mr, McLaren.

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From: - City and County Att'y in reply to a re quest for information touching on the powers of the Commission to fix salaries.

The reply was in effect that the Commission could fix the salaries with out question, notwithstanding the decision of Judge Mogan in the Police Commission case.

From: - "XXX " A Property Holder, #406 - 7th St. "protesting the unloadmanure on the South Side Grounds, as it promotes a scourge of flies in tht neighborhood. The Secretary was directed to reply that there would be no more cause for objection.

New Business

Commissioner Mr. Astredo informed the meeting that an Automobile ride about the City was arranged to entertain Dr. Gulick on the morning of Dec.28, the hour to be later announced to the respective Commissioners.

A reception would be held in the Norman room, Fairmount Hotel, 8 oclock p.m. on the same day.

The question of electing a Secretary vice, Mr. Sweeney resigned, was then taken up, and following a discussion on the question of salary, Mr. Astredo, seconded by Mr. Schlitter, presented a resolution that the salary be fixed at $125.00 per month.

Ayes: -Mr. McCoy, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Schlitter, Mr. Astredo - 4
Nay: - Mrs. White. — 1

Commissioner, Mr. Astredo, seconded by Commissioner, Mrs Hayward, presented a resolution, that a Secretary be elected to serve three months on probation, beginning, Jan. 1, 1910. Adopted.

Commissioner, Mr. Schlitter nominated Mr, Jos. R. Hickey for Secretary, seconded by Commissioner, Mr, Astredo.

Ayes: - Mr. McCoy, Mrs. White, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Schlitter, Mr. Astredo. 5

Mr
Mr. Hickey, was then introduced and after a most rigid interview was manifestly satisfactory in every particular to the Commission.

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 11:05 a.m.

Jno W. Sweeney
Secretary.

23.
December salaries and wages
1909.

Jno. W. Sweeney	Secretary	$125.00
J.E.Williamson	Director	125.00
J.E.Nason	Caretaker	65.00
Jos. Haggerty	Laborer	15.00
P.Knack		7.50
F.Terry		13.75
Jas.Ramsden		10.00
M.E.Pruce		15.86
H.Ruddy		6.25
M.H.McGrew		5.00
W.E.Commary	Carpenter	5.00
	Payments on account	
Jas.Cronin	Laborer	41.25
H.HUNTER		25.00
H.Federlein		21.25
Angus Ross		40.00

Office of Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francesco,
Calif.

Meeting Dec.30,1909.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order,ten - fifteen a.m. Commissioner Mr. Astredo,in the Chair.

Roll Call

Present ; - Commissioners,Mr. Astredo
Mrs.White
Mrs. Hayward
Mr. Schlitter 4

Absent : - Commissioners,Mr Hayden
Mr. McLaren
Mr. McCoy 3

Minutes

The minutes of the preceding meetings (Dec.23 and 30,1909.) were read and corrected on motion of Commissioner,Mrs Hayward,by striking out all reference to Judge Mogan and his Court decision,and otherwise ap - proved.

Communications

From - City Architect requesting that demands for services rendered to the Playground Commission,be made out for Dec.1909.

From - Board of Works requesting that demands for services of help on the Steam roller for Dec.1909,be made out.

Bills

J. B. Kauser	Draughtsman	$16.85
Geo. Colmesnil	"	27.50
H.E.Stone	Tracer	6.85
H.Federlein	Laborer	25.00
H.Hunter	"	25.00
Jas.Cronin	"	20.00
Angus Ross	"	25.00
W. Tyson	Engineer	18.00
P. FINNEGAN	Fireman	9.00
J. Jones	Laborer	7.50
"Lasky's"		2.40
Spring Valley Water Co.		5.80
J.E.Williamson		23.50
		$ 212.00

The above wages and bills were ordered paid on roll call by an unanimous vote of Commissioners.

Reports of Committees

CommissionerMr.Astredo reported an interview with Ass't City Architect,Mr. Conniok,who expressed his earnest desire to develope the water pool on the North Beach grounds.

Commissioner Astredo reported on the matter of the lease of the blacksmith Shop now on the City property,but insisted that he could not consistently negotiate and conditions calling on the tenant to vacate on any money consideration,as it was the duty of the tenant to deal directly with the Commission by personal petition. The subject was put over for a later meeting of the Commission.

The work of Commissioner Astredo,was approved by an unanimous vote.

Commissioner,Mrs White, read a report on beatification of the South Side groundsnand the cost of tree planting. The Commissioner testified the approval of the work and consequent results,and urged that the same good work be rendered about the North Beach grounds. The report was ordered placed on file, and on motion made by Commissioner Mr. Schlitter,seconded by Commissioner,Mrs.Hayward,the planting of trees should be applied to an outrow shouldXXXXXX and near the street side,thus approving the recommendation of Commissioner Mrs.White. The motion was adopted.

Directo Williamson presented a report of the past months progress which appears XXXXXXXX elsewhere.

New Business

Commissioner,Mrs.Hayward urged that the steps to the North Beach lavatory be changed so that a screen of permanent character may be constructed in front of the said lavatory.

Commissioner,Mrs. White,seconded by MR,Schlitter,presented a resolutionthat the change be referred to the North Beach Committee. Carried.

Commissioner,Mrs.White,seconded by Commissioner,Mrs. Hayward,presented a resolution that a committee be appointed to look up any vacant lots belonging to the City with a view of developing modest playgrounds.

The resolution was adopted.and the Secretary (Mr, Hickey) and Director,Mr. Williamson were directed to make the necessary inquiries.

Commissioner,Mr. Astredo,presented a verbal report of the entertainment tendered to Dr. L.R.Gulick during his brief stay in this City.

Commissioner,Mrs.White,seconded by Commissioner,Mr. Schlitter, presented a resolution tenderàng the votes of the Playground Commission as a testimonial of the merit and efficiency of the retiring Secretary, Mr. Jno.W. Sweeney,and the confidence of the Commission so expressed,be spread on the minutes,also the Secretary elect send a copy to the retiring Secretary. The resolution was adopted.

The Commission then adjourned on the hour of11:55 a.m. to meet Jan.13,1910.

Jno. W. Sweeney
Secretary.

REPORT

Director of Play

Month ending December 31st.1909

To The Honorable
The Board of Playground Commissioners
City and County of San Francisco.

I submit herewith report covering progress of work on playgrounds for the month of December.

NORTH BEACH:

The work of spreading crushed rock on this ground has been practically completed,a few more loads may be required to fill up low spots after the rolling is completed.Three hundred loads of rock,over 600 cubic yards in all,has been spread on this ground and after it is rolled will make a splendid lasting base for the top surfacing of cinders and loam or whatever may be used.

I have had considerable difficulty in securing a roller for this ground,have tried out three,all of which were failures except that of the Board of Public Works,this roller is satisfactory,but the municipal asphalt plant is working steadily and we can only have the roller on rainy days--which is very unsatisfactory;I have made arrangements with the Warren Improvement co. for the use of their 10 ton roller at the rate of $20.00 per day,and it is now at work,should complete the job by Friday the 31st inst at latest.The Cost of this roller is but a few dollars more per day than the cost to us of the City roller,and the increased efficiency will more than make up the difference.

I have consulted with Mr.Long,manager of the San Francisco Baseball Club,a man of wide experience in making Athletic grounds,and he has given and is willing to give in the future,advice which will be of great value to us in laying out the various playgrounds. Mr.Long advises me that we should now Cover the Rock with a dressing of cinders say two inches thick,then roll the cinders,and cover them with a final dressing or surface of good loam,not clay,and states that after this loam is rolled we will have a permanent surfacing which will never get muddy and which will be ready for use in an hour after a heavy rain.I would suggest that Mr.Longs advice be heeded in this matter as he certainly knows what he is talking about.

The City Architects office has surveyed the Girls section and is now preparing figures for grading,as well as plans for buildings,swimming tank &c.

Have had several talks with the Blacksmith who holds the lease on the girls section,he seems to be very anxious to settle and get out,I am of the opinion that he and his partners will accept $1000.00 or $1200. in full for their lease,which has yet two and one half years to run.Would suggest that a committee be apointed to see him,as his shop will prevent proper grading of the ground at this time.

Have had the Curbing along Greenwich alley dug up,and will have it stored as it will be valuable in the near future when work is commenced on the girls section. Have also had most of the rubbish picked up and dumped in one corner of the grounds where it will be necessary to fill.

The outdoor Gymnasium apparatus is on its way here,is now in Wyoming,so Crane and Co.Report,and will probably arrive about Jan.7d.--Am in touch with several expert pipe fitters some one of whom can be secured to set up the Gymnasium apparatus when it arrives.

The handball serving board is completed according to agreement,although owing to the fact that the Municipal asphalt plant is behind on street work and I have been unable to get the court asphalted,I have not told the carpenter to put up the side walls and partition as yet.

The Board of Public Works inform me that we can probably have the asphalt work done about Jan.15th.

From one to five men have been employed intermittently at this ground although owing to unavoidable delays not as much work has been accomplished as I had expected.

SOUTH SIDE GROUND.

This ground has been ploughed and harrowed thoroughly, that is the west portion,the rocks and rubbish have been cleaned up and the ground is allowed to stand for a few weeks until the fertilizer mixes with the soil,it will be ready for a second ploughing and harrowing after which grass can be planted and the ground put in good shape.

The East portion has been filled with clay up to grade,about six hundred loads have been dumped here,and the ground is now in very good shape,this week I had the men take

two teams and a large iron girder and drag it over the ground in order to level it off,after this was done there were some low spots which have been filled up during the past few days.I would suggest that this section of the ground be rolled with a large steam roller in order to make it firm,and to find out the soft spots,after this is done we can easily go ahead with the surfacing to make it an athletic field as intended.

The little building given us by the Board of Health has been renovated,windows put in &c. a stove set up &c,and is now in shape for a store house and temporary office.

The present caretaker at this ground,Mr.Ross,is a very competent and faithful man,he is now employed as a day laborer at the rate of $2.50 per day,in view of the fact that it will be necessary to employ some one steadily at this ground,and also that it will be to the advantage of the Commission as well as that of Mr.Ross I would respectfull request that he be appointed Janitor at a monthly salary of $65.00 per month,in place of carrying him on the rolls as a laborer at $2.50 per day.

Altogether a fair amount of work has been done during the month,although owing to the elements and the delays which usually occur in having city work done,less has been accomplished than I had expected.

If the City Architect submits acceptable plans for the Girls side of the North Beach ground I am confident that a far better showing can be made during January than during the past month.

Respectfully submitted

J.C. Williamson

Director of Play.

Office Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco,Cal.
January 6,1910.

Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order to cover Section I,Rules of the Playground Commission, providing that on the first Thursday after the first day in January in each year,the President of the Playground Commission shall be choosen by ballot.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners,Mr.Astredo
Mrs.White
Mrs.Hayward
Mr.Schlitter
Mr.McCoy
Mr.McLaren
Mr.Hayden

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Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President McCoy in the chair,at ten o'clock a.m. Mr.H.J.McCoy was nominated by Mrs.Lovell White as President of the Playground Commission for the ensuing year.The nomination was seconded by J.C.Astredo.There being no further nominations ,Mr.H.J.McCoy was unanimously elected on the ballot cast by the secretary.

The Commission adjourned at 10:15 a.m.On suggestion of Mrs. White the Commission attended the dedication exercises of the new Mission Grammar School, and there extended to the retiring official,Mayor R.E.Taylor the appreciation of the members of the Commission for his many favors during his term of office.

Joseph K. Hickey

Secretary.

Correction- Nominations for President of Playground Commission included the names of Mrs.Lovell White and J.C.Astredo by H.J.McCoy.Both declined .

San Francisco Cal.Jan.17th 1910

To
The Honorable Board of
Playground Commissioners
City and County of San Francisco.

Pursuant to instructions I submit herewith detailed statement of cost of labor,material,etc. covering the period from October 1st.1909 to Dec.31st. 1909 inclusive.

NORTH BEACH PLAYGROUND (Boys section)

Filling in trenches and levelling ground preparetory to covering with crushed rock----- 6 men employed 3days @ $2.50 per day,a total of 18 days----------$ 45.00

Spreading crushed rock,breaking large rock,tamping rock around edges where roller would not reach,digging up curb stones,and general work around the grounds,an average of ten men employed for 12 1/2 days at $2.50 per day,a total of 125 working days--------$312.50

Six teams employed for 6 days,and one team for 3 days,hauling rock from the crusher to North Beach,at $6.00 per day,a total of 39 days $234.00

Steam roller from board of works,rolling rock,at Aprox.$15.00 per day including coal. 2 1/2 days ----------$ 37.50

Steam roller from Warren Improvement co. rolling rock,at $20.00 per day, 2 days - $ 40.00

300 loads of crushed rock from Gray Bros. at $2.00 per load of 2 cubic yards,used in surfacing grounds, - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -$600.00

Sanitary supplies-soap-disinfecting fluids &c &c.	$105.00
Office equipment for Directors office	$ 75.00
Tools and other supplies aproximately	$ 25.00
Rent of office for Nov. and Dec. @ $12.50 per month	$ 25.00
Janitors salary for Nov. and Dec. @ $65.00 per month	$130.00
Extension of hand ball serving board	$122.00
Total	$1752.00

----2----- Statement of Expenses,Cont.

HARRISON STREET PLAYGROUND

Cleaning up debris &c.preparatory to putting the grounds in condition.
Three men employed seven days at $2.50 per day,a total of 21 days - - -

Hayward that Mr.Williamson and the secretary secure such information concerning the lot at 18 th and Bryant Sts; as might lead to the same being used for playground purposes . The secretary was instructed to invite Superintendent of Schools Roncovieri to attend the next meeting in connection with appropriating to the use of the Playground Commission such lots as might be at the disposal of the School Department.

New Business

Moved by Mr.Astredo and seconded by MrS.White that the plans for the iron fence to be erected on the Harrison Street grounds , be accepted as presented by Mr.Slee and that bids be advertised for .Roll call resulted in favor of the motion ,there being no disapproval.

Moved by Mr.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.White that the specifications for the iron fence on the Harrison Street grounds be refered to the Harrsion Street grounds committee.

Moved by Mr.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.White that the committee on beautification proceed with the planting of the trees on the North Beach grounds.The Acacia tree was adopted for the exterior surroundings while on suggestion of Mrs.Hayward the planting of Sycamores at the gateway was agreed on.

Moved by Mr.Schlitter and seconded by Mr.Astredo that the matter of the apparatus for the North Beach grounds be refered to the committee with power to act .

Moved by Mrs.White and seconded by Mr.Astredo that the meetings of the Playground Commission hereafter be held in the afternoon commencing at 2 p.m. instead of the forenoon as heretofore .

Moved by Mrs.Hayward and seconded by Mrs.White that the matter of convenience be refered to the secretary .

Moved by Mr.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.White that the Playground Commission pay its respects to Mayor P.H.McCarthy in person.The secretary was instructed to make an appointment with the Mayors secretary Mr.Heffingwell.

Moved by Mr.Astredo and seconded by Mr.McLaren ,that Mr.J.E.Williamson be given entire charge of the North Beach grounds and that hereafter he be directed to confine his efforts to that site as Playground Director of the North Beach Grounds .

Bills

The following bills were ordered paid .

Palace Hotel Auto Service	$12.50
Gray Bros.	$30.00
J.O'Shea	$73.50
Brittain & Co.	$10.40
Brittain & Co.	$ 2.25
Warren Improvement Co.	$80.00
	$208.65

The meeting adjourned at 11.35 to assemble on January 27 1910.

Joseph R. Duke

Secretary.

San Francisco January 31,1910.
Office ,Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Sts.

Meeting(Special)

A special meeting Of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. President McCoy in the chair .

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners , Mrs.L.A.Hayward
J.C.Astredo
H.J.McCoy
Geo.A.Schlitter

Absent:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
John McLaren
Thomas R.Bannerman

Minutes

The minutes of the pevious meeting were read and adopted in their entirety.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.L.A.Hayward that the additional bid of Crane & Company, amounting to $322.75 be accepted. Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Schlitter, that the action of Director Williamson relative to planting trees on the North Beach Playground site , be retified. Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that guards for the trees at North Beach be purchased at the

lowest price , subject to the approval of the baautification committee. Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that an opinion be obtained from the City Attorney relative to the power of the Playground Commission in putting aside any sum of money for the purchase of the lease occupied by the tennant on the North Beach grounds . Carried .

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that the sum of $25.00 be allowed Mr.Koerner for the appraisement of the lease on the North Beach grounds .Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that bids be called for to construct the concrete coping and iron fence on the Seventh and Harrison streets playgrounds and that 3 per cent of the amount of the accepted bid be allowed the architect , Arthur Slee for his services .Carried.

Moved by J.C. Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that the secretary notify John Sparge that the withdrawal of his bond covering the work on the North Beach grounds,was in order. Carried.

It was agreed that the North Beach Committee should proceed with Robert Dalziel & Company in the erection of the gymnasium apparatus on that site .

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Schlitter that the following bills totaling $1078.35, including salaries ,be paid .Carried .

J.Muddy	Laborer	$ 57.50
H.Federlein	"	56.25
H.Chaser	"	58.75
F.Ferry	"	38.75
H.Haggerty	"	I7.50
W.Johnson	"	2I.25
F.Callagher	"	2I.25
A.S.Davis	"	I7.50
J.B.Torra	"	50.00
J.Cronin	"	30.00
S.M.Ferrera	"	I8.75
Chas.Harris	"	20.00
H.Hunter	"	56.25
A.Ross	Caretaker	67.50
J.Ramsden	Laborer	II.25
J.Jones	"	42.50
J.E.Nason	Caretaker	65.00
J.B.Vioget	Laborer	52.50
H.E.Stone	Tracer	8.35
J.B.Kauser	Draughtsman	20.85
C.McVey	"	I6.65
G.de Colmenil	"	44.00
L.C.Brunn	"	7.00
Jos.R.Hickey	Secretary	I25.00
J.E.Williamson	Director	I25.00
J.E.Williamson	Expenses	29,00
Total		$ I078.35

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m. to assemble Thursday rebruary I0 ,I9I0.

Joseph R Hickey

Secretary.

San Francisco February I0,I9I0.

Office ,Playground Commission

Pine and Larkin Sts .

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners , Mrs .L.A.Hayward
J.C.Astredo
Thomas R.Bannerman
M.J.McCoy

Absent:- Commissioners , John McLaren
George Schlitter
Mrs.Lovell White

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted without correction .

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward ,that the Commission forward an expression of their sympathy to Mrs.Lovell White in the death of her husband Lovell White , and that a copy of such resolutions be spread on the minutes of the meeting.Carried by a standing vote .

Moved by T.R.Bannerman and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that the completion of the screen in front of the lavatory,the handball courts and the asphaltum floor be refered to the North Beach committee .Carried .

The matter of painting the iron fence on the North Beach grounds was

refered to the North Beach committee.

Moved by Mrs .Hayward and seconded by T.R.Bannerman that grass be planted on a space of three feet from the edge of the sidewalk on the North Beacg grounds , subject to the approv- of the beautification committee .Carried .

Moved by Mrs.Hayward and seconded by T.R.Bannerman that a telephone (Sunset) be installed on the North Beach grounds , as requested by Mr.Williamson . Carried .

Mr.Astredo reported progress on the erection of the gymnasium apparatus on the North Beach grounds .

Moved by Mrs.Hayward and seconded by J.C.Astredo that the work of planting the trees on the North Beach grounds be approved .Carried .

Copies of printed resolutions from the Board of Supervisors relative to the request of all departments for supplies , the same to be forwarded by March I 1910 were read .The matter was refered to the secretary with power to act .

A committee composed of Commissioners George Schlitter and J.C.Astredo was appointed by President McCoy to investigate the possibility of securing the former site of the Spring Valley school to be used as a playground .

Mr.Astredo reported having negotiated for the use of a lot in the vicinity of the Washington Grammar School to be used a s a playground and announced that he would take the matter up in detail before the next regular meeting .

A communication was read from the City Attorney including opinion relative to the right of the Playground Commission to purchase lease on the North Beach grounds from present tennant amounting to $1250.

It was moved by Mrs .Hayward and seconded by J.C.Astredo that the amount of $1250 be allowed for this purpose and that the purchase be made subject to the approval of the Board of Supervisors .

A communication from the Mayor's office relative to the postponement of the reception announced in favor of Sidney Peixotto

upon his return from Australia was read and acknowledged.

The bid of Robert Dalziel & Co to furnish and erect the gymnasium apparatus on the North Beach grounds for the sum of $300.00 was ordered filed and accepted per previous negotiations on the part of the North Beach Committee .

The following bills were ordered paid :

Brittain & Co.	$ 8.33
Spring Valley Co.	7.76
Warren Improvement Co.	35.00
Empire Planing Mill	13.50
Stalder & Hinklebein	50.00
West Coast Wire & Iron	36.00
Gray Bros	18.00
Sherer Bros	48.00
Robertson Bros.	8.00
	$ 224.59

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m. to assemble on February 24 1910.

Joseph R. Hickey

Secretary.

San Francisco February I0,I9I0.

Mrs.Lovell White

Mill Valley,Marin County.

Dear Madam:-

I have the honor to inform you that a meeting of the Playground Commission held to-day,the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas,Lovell White , a resident of San Francisco gave to the community the best thought and work of a life devoted to high achievement,work so highly conceived and so thoroughly done as to ensure our city the highest ideals of business undertakings: and

Whereas,his devotion to his work,his untiring zeal, his high character of man ,marked him among his fellows and won him love and respect of his associates ,

Therefore, be it

Resolved:That in his death San Francisco recognizes the great loss ,and that this Board in sorrow extend to you its sympathy in the time of your bereavement."

Very Respectfully ,

Joseph R. Hurley

Secretary ,Playground Commission.

San Francisco February I4,I9I0.

Office ,Playground Commission

Pine & Larkin Sts.

Special Meeting

A special meeting for the purpose of considering bids covering the construction of the concrete coping and iron fence on the Seventh & Harrison streets grounds was called to order at 2 p.m. Mr.J.C.Astredo in the chair .

Roll Call

Present :- Commissioners Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Thomas R.Bannerman
George Schlitter
J.C.Astredo
John McLaren

Absent:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
H.J.McCoy

Minutes

The bid of Hansen & Johnson of $I350.00, to construct the iron fence on the Seventh & Harrison streets grounds,as per plans and sepecifications was accepted on the motion of Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Mrs.L.A.Hayward .

The bid of H.M.Scarritt, general contractor to construct the concrete coping on the Seventh & Harrison streets grounds was accepted on the motion of Commissioner John McLaren and seconded by Mrs.L.A.Hayward .The cost of the same to be $525.00.

The protest of Dyer Bros against the acceptance of any bid not on the regular form is herewith recorded at the request of the chair .

The protest of Dyer Bros against the consideration of the proposal of the Pacific Fence Construction Company is also recorded,the latter concern having added its signature to the bid after the same had been placed before the Commission .

The remaining bids were ordered filled and the Secretary instructed to return checks to the unsuccessful bidders .

Proposals from the Phoenix Iron Works ,E.Borsuglia and the Keystone Ornamental Iron Works were not considered because of the failure of those concerns to include check covering ten per cent of the respective bids , as advertised .

The meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.

Joseph K Tilney
Secretary.

San Francisco February 24,1910.
Office,Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
J.C.Astredo
George Schlitter
Thomas R.Bannerman
H.J.McCoy
John McLaren

Absent:- Commissioner, Mrs.Lovell White

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted without correction.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by George Schlitter that the bill presented by A.E.Buckman for loads of clay delivered to on the Seventh & Harrison streets grounds be laid over two two weeks.Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by George Schlitter that a committee be appointed by the chair to arrange for the festival to be conducted on the playgrounds as part of the Fourth of July celebration and that letters be addressed to various clubs and organizations concerned .Carried .

The secretary was instructed to communicate with the Buildings Committee of the Board of Supervisors relative to obtaining the use

of the former California Women's Hospital site at Sacramento and Baker streets ,to be used as a playground .

In the absence of President McCoy,J.C.Astredo acting chairman , appointed the Commission as a committee to prepare for the proposed fest -ival on the playgrounds,Fourth of July .

The report of J.E.Williamson ,director at the North Beach grounds was read and accepted .

Communication from Mrs.Lovell White acknowleging receipt of copy of resolutions from the Commission was read and ordered filed .

Communication from Dr.Mariana Bertola ,President of the Vittoria Colonna Club relative to festival on the North Beach playground Fourth of July was read and ordered filed .

Bills and salary warrants were allowed as follows:

J.E.Williamson	Salary	$ 125.00
J.R. Hickey	"	125.00
J.E.Mason	"	65.00
J.B.Vioget	Laborer	33.75
William Evans	"	48.75
J.B.Torra	"	32.50
H.Federlein	"	36.25
H.Hunter	"	32.50
M.O'Day	"	48.75
H.Frost	"	53.75
G.Gardella	"	33.75
J.Cronin	"	26.25
W.McAuliff	"	2.50
A.Boro	"	12.50
A.Ross	"	65.00
J.E.Williamson	Expense	30.85
		$ 771.80

The meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey

Secretary.

REPORT
January and February 1910
J.E.WILLIAMSON,DIRECTOR OF PLAY

San Francisco Cal
Feb.24th 1910

To
The Honorable Board of
Playground Commissioners
City and County of San Francisco.

I have the honor to submit herewith report of work done(and in prospect) on Playgrounds of this City and County during the months of January and February 1910.

NORTH BEACH
January.

Over 1000 loads of dirt were dumped in the deep holes on the girls section of the playground, bringing the Lombard street section up to level.

Twelve men and six teams were employed for several days in excavating the portion set apart for the girls gymnasium,and this is now in shape for the final work which must be done prior to erecting the gymnasium.

Sufficient rock was hauled to complete the bottom surfacing of the boys section,and a twelve ton steam roller was employed for several days in order to roll the rock into the clay,making a firm foundation.

The San Francisco Gas and Electric Co. donated sufficient cinders to make the second surface over which the loam must go. Ten men and six teams were employed for a number of days in digging out the cinders and hauling and spreading them over the playground.A small steam roller was used for rolling the cinders in order that they would pack firmly with the rock base.Aproximately two hundred three yard wagon loads of cinders were required to completely cover the ground.

On account of the manner in which the ground was originally graded it was necessary to instal an additional drain in the corner where the boys gymnasium will be located,this work was done by Stalder and Winklebein at a cost of $50.00-- aproximately half the amount which the original estimates made by other firms called for.

Owing to the fact that every inch of space is necessary for actual use at this ground it was found necessary to change the lavatory steps so that they would be on the side instead of the front,this work was done by a North Beach contractor,at a total cost of $23.00.

The drains originally installed provided only for surface drainage. in order to secure the proper underground drainage,what is known as Dutch drains have been run all through the ground,that is ditches twelve inches wide and from three to ten inches deep have been dug in all directions,centering at the various drains,these ditches have a natural incline,and are filled with crushed rock afterward covered with cinders and loam,the water seeps down through the loam,cinders and rock,and quickly seeps through the rock in the ditch into the drain box,thus quickly causing the surface to dry,and allowing play on the grounds in a few hours after a heavy rain. This drainage work required considerable time and labor,but cost comparatively little beside regulation pipe drains,and is much better for our purposes.

On the South side grounds sufficient additional clay was hauled to bring the side next to Harriet street up to grade,.

NORTH BEACH
February.

During this month a number of men were employed in making ready for and planting trees.

Thirty black accacia trees were planted,protected by stakes and tree guards.A space three feet wide and twelve inches deep was excavated along the curb on three sides of the boys section,this space was filled with loam and grass will be planted at the proper time.The cost of planting the trees and preparing for the grass plot was greater than expected for the reason that we found a ledge of solid rock extending for some distance on Powell and Lombard streets,this rock had to be drilled out and required much more time and labor than would have been necessary had the clay strata extended clear around the grounds as it seemed to do from indications found in digging the first holes.

Shrubbery has been planted at the entrance of the grounds at either side of the gate,inside.Elm trees will be planted in this space as soon as they arrive from the Nursery.

Owing to a misunderstanding regarding certain parts of the Gymnasium apparatus we have been delayed in its erection,however the Dalzell Co. has been instructed to go ahead and finish the work as rapidly as possible.The holes for the supporting pipe have been dug,the concrete bases put in place,and I am informed by Mr.Dalzell that they will have the Gym. up and ready for use in one week from the time the pipe and fittings is delivered. The work is to be done on a percentage basis,with a guarantee to the Commission that the cost will not exceed $200.00.According to the best information I can now get I believe the work will be completed by March 10th at latest,probably sooner.

A screen similar in design to those in front of the shower baths has been erected in front of the Lavatory,the work was done by Contractor Elliott at a cost of $34.00.

Contractor Cartland offered to put in the genuine asphalt surfacing on the hand ball court,and in front of the Bath house for seven and one half cents per square foot,with a two year guarantee.On advice of Works Commissioner Brodrick,Cartland was instructed to go ahead,rather than wait for the Municipal plant to do the work,Cartlands figure was even lower than that of the Municipal plant.He is now doing the work,and will have it complete' by the 25th inst. at latest

The Cal.Art.Metal and Wire works were instructed to erect a gate at the entrance to the Beach grounds, total cost to be $155.00 they are now making the gate and assure me that they will have it up by March 10th.

The iron fence at the Beach is in bad shape,I am having one section scraped and painted with red lead now as it had to be attended to at once.I am advised by an expert that we must have the whole fence scraped at once,and painted with two coats of Graphite paint.The paint will not cost a great deal,but the labor of preparing will run into considerable money-however the work must be done quickly or else the fence will be ruined.

The City Architect informs me that he has the plans for building and slide at the Beach almost completed,and will have them in shape for final submission by March 4th.

The City Engineers office have the plans for the swimming tank almost ready,the delay now being occassioned by their having to wait for certain figures from the engineer in the City Architects office.They expect to have the complete plans ready in a few days. I had a talk with the President of the City Electric Co. and find he and his Company ohly too willing to give us any information or assistance in their power.,that is relative to the water supply,transmission of same &c.

I have made arraingements with the Italian Popular bank regarding handling the lease matter with the Blacksmith. The bank will have him make the assignment of the lease,deposit it with them,and then deliver same to us when the money is paid through the bank.This is the best way I believe,as the blacksmith does not understand American ways of doing business and is afraid of us. I saw the City Attorney this morning and he is now making out the form of assignment for the man to sign,and will look after the necessary legal steps for the protection of the Commission.

From present indications I am hopeful that we can have the playgrounds open and in full operation by March 20th. and if everything goes smoothly I have some hopes of reporting them ready for use a few days sooner than this.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Williamson

DIRECTOR.

San francisco March 10,1910.

Office ,Playground Commission

Pine and Larkin Streets.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White
J.C.Astredo
George Schlitter
W.J.McCoy

Absent:- Commissioners, Thomas R.Bannerman
John McLaren

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by George Schlitter that the matter of the fence contract in connection with the Seventh and Harrison streets playgrpund be refered to the committee.Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that the secretary investigate the title of the site occupied by the California Womens Hopsital. Carried.

Moved by Mrs .Hayward and seconded by J.C.Astredo that a communication be sent the Board of Education with reference to the Spring Valley School site as a playground .Carried .

Moved by Mrs.Hayward and seconded by J.C.Astredo that the State Teachers Association be communicated with and cooperation requested in the line of play . Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that the plans for the improvement of the Southside grounds including running track, bleachers and lavatories be approved ;that bids be advertised for and the development of the grounds be furthered . Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that the plans for the slide on the North Beach grounds be adopted as presented and that bids for the construction of the same be advertised for .Carried.

The secretary was instructed to record the special meeting of the Commission held at the North Beach grounds on March 26,1910.

This meeting resulted in a decision to abandon the construction of a building heretofore considered in the construction of the swimming tank, and a rearrangement of the line of the swimming tank by deciding to place the same fifteen further to the East on the space previously known as Greenwich Alley .

The communication from Marie R.Hofer with reference to teaching folk dances and other playground features was ordered filed and the secretary instructed to communicate with Miss Stoddard,secretary of the State Playground Association requesting information relative to Miss Hofer's terms .

The following bills were ordered paid .

C.C.Morse	$ 3 .05
George De Colmenil	27 .50
L.C.Brumm	56 .00
Sherer Bros.	99 .00
G.Faenzi	1250 .00
Brittain & Co.	I .45
Gray Bros.	2 .00
E.W.Elliott	34 .00
Spring Valley Water Co.	7 .76
G.Faenzi	4 .25
	$1483 .01

The meeting adjourned at 3:05.p.m.

Secretary.

Office,Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Sts .
San Francisco March 24,1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair .

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners , Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White
J.C.Astredo
H.J.McCoy
George Schlitter
John McLaren

Absent:- Commissioner, Thomas R.Bannerman

Minutes.

The mimutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by George Schlitter that the playground estimate from the annual budget for the fiscal year beginning July I 1910 be refered to a committee to be appointed by the chair .President McCoy named the committee to consist of Mrs .Lovell White,Mrs.Hayward,George Schlitter , the Secretary, and Director Williamson.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.Hayward that blue prints of the municipal playgrounds be made for publicity purposes . Carried .

Moved by Mrs.White and seconded by Mr.McLaren that J.E.Williamson,upon request, hereafter be allowed the title of Superintendent of Playgrounds at a salary of $ 125.00 per month,

to begin April I ,I9IO.Carried. The motion was opposed by Commissioner Schlitter .

An amendment to the motion by Mrs.White and seconded by Mrs .Hayward that Mr.Williamson continue as director of the North Beach grounds ,until such time as the vacancy could be filled ,was carried .Commissioner Astredo voted "No."

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by Mrs.White that Mr.Williamson visit the San Jose Normal School in the interest of playground work as part of the curriculum.The trip to be made at the expense of the Commission . Carried .

Moved by Mrs.White,seconded by Mrs. Hayward that Commissioner Schlitter be given power to proceed with the purchase of the necessary apparatus on the Harrison Street playgrounds .Carried.

The communication from the Diamond Street Improvement Club that the Playground Commission purchase the lot adjoining the James Lick School for playground purposes, was refered to the Secretary with instructions to reply, that this Commission was not in a position to negotiate the same .

Moved by J.C.Astredo, seconded by Mrs.White that the Board of Supervisors be notified of the vacancy to take place on the site of the Harrison Street playgrounds ,occupied by Haines,Jones and Cadbury Co. The same to take effect June 6 ,I9IO.Carried. Commissioners McLaren and Schlitter to report at the next meeting.

The Secretary was instructed to renew the Playground Commission's subscription to the periodical known as the "Playground" which expires with the April issue .

Resolution from the Board of Education , that the Playground Commission be allowed the use of the present Spring Valley School site for playground purposes , when the present buildings shall be removed , was ordered filed.

Communication from Holyoke,Mass., requesting information for the construction of playgrounds was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to supply the desired data .

Mr.Zion representing the Charter Amendment Convention was heard on behalf ofa tax appropriation for the municipal playgrounds.

The bill from the Pacific States Telephone and Telegraph Company for use of telephone at the North Beach playgrounds was ordered refered to the Supervisors .

The following bills were ordered paid :-

California Nursery ----------	$ 5.50
McClinchy & Martnett----------	I82.I5
Telephone -North Beach----------	4.30
Anderson Bros.----------	I0.60
Bass-Huetter----------	5.75
J.E.Williamson --Expense----------	28.75
J.R.Hickey--Expense,Secretary's Office--	6.35
Brittain & Co.----------	.I8
J.E.Mason-Salary----------	65.00
J.E.Williamson-Salary----------	I25.00
J.R.Hickey-Secretary's Salary----------	I25.00
J.Cuneo-Laborer----------	I3.75
E.Zerego-Laborer----------	I6.75
E.Tovani------Laborer----------	I6.25
	$ 607.33

The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine & Larkin Streets.
San Francisco April I, I9IO.

Special Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission for the purpose of receiving proposals to construct running track, lavatories and bleachers on the Seventh & Harrison Streets Playgrounds and to adopt estimate of expenditures for the fiscal year of I9IO-II, was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.L.A.Hayward Thomas R.DanNerman J.C.Astredo H.J.McCoy George Schlitter
Absent:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.Lovell White John McLaren

Minutes

Proposals to construct bleachers and lavatories on the Seventh & Harrison Streets Playgrounds as per plans and specifications were received as follows:

H.M.Scarrit	$ 6220.00
A.C.Hampton	$ 7045.00
Ahlbach & Mayer	$ 5740.00

Proposal to construct running track as per plans and specifications received as follows:

A.C.Hampton	$ I600.00

Moved by J.C.Astredo that Ahlbach & Mayer be awarded the contract to erect the bleachers and lavatories on the Seventh & Harrison Streets grounds. The motion was seconded by Mrs.Hayward and carried by vote of the Commission.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by George Schlitter that the proposal to construct the running track as submitted, be rejected. Carried.

Moved by J.C.Astredo and seconded by George Schlitter that the work on the athletic field at Seventh & Harrison Streets proceed at once. Carried.

The report of the committee appointed to prepare an estimate of the amount of expenditure needed by the Commission during the fiscal year beginning July I I9IO was read as submitted by the chairman of the committee, Mrs.Lovell White, amounting to $60,000.

It was moved by Commissioner Bannerman and seconded by Commissioner Schlitter that the total amount be increased to $75,000. Carried. The estimate is herewith attached.

Upon motion of Commissioner Schlitter seconded by Commissioner Bannerman the meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.

Secretary.

Office ,Playground Commission
Pine & Larkin Streets,
San Francisco April II,I9I0.

Special Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission for the purpose of considering regular business and the acceptance of bids for the construction of slide on the North Beach Playgrounds , was called to order at 2 p.m.,Mr.J.C.Astredo acting chairman .

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.Lovell White George Schlitter Thomas F.Bannerman J.C.Astredo
Absent:-	Commissioners,	John McLaren H.J.McCoy Mrs.L.A.Hayward

Minutes

Proposals to erect slide for childrens playground at North Beach as per plans and specifications were received as follows:

From McSheehy Bros.	$ 2I42.00
" Hawkins Bld.Co.	2848.00

Moved by Mrs.White and seconded by Thomas Bannerman ,that McSheehy Bros ., be awarded the contract to construct the slide as per plans and specifications for the amount included in the bid submitted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs.White and seconded by George Schlitter,that the Secretary communicate with Miss M.Hofer of New York relative to her proposed visit to California in the interests of playgrounds .

Allbach and Mayer, contractors doing the work on the

The following bills were ordered paid:-

Anderson Bros.	$ I0.60
Brunner-Bach	I7.00
Joseph R.Hickey	I2.50
Spring Valley Water Co.	7.28
Granfield Company	353.00
" "	228.75
Evening Post Co.	2I.50
E.W.Elliot	442.00
Bass-Hueter Paint Co.	3.00
	$ I095.73

Office ,Playground Commission
Pine & Larkin Streets,
San Francisco April II,1910.

Special Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission for the purpose of considering regular business and the acceptance of bids for the construction of slide on the North Beach Playgrounds , was called to order at 2 p.m.,Mr.J.C.Astredo acting chairman .

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
George Schlitter
Thomas R.Bannerman
J.C.Astredo

Absent:- Commissioners, John McLaren
H.J.McCoy
Mrs.L.A.Hayward

Minutes

Proposals to erect slide for childrens playground at North Beach as per plans and specifications were received as follows:

From McSheehy Bros. $ 2142.00
" Hawkins Bld.Co. 2840.00

Moved by Mrs.White and seconded by Thomas Bannerman ,that McSheehy Bros ., be awarded the contract to construct the slide as per plans and specifications for the amount included in the bid submitted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs.White and seconded by George Schlitter,that the Secretary communicate with Miss M.Hofer of New York relative to her proposed visit to California in the interests of playgrounds .

Allbach and Maier, contractors doing the work on the bleachers and lavatories at Seventh and Harrison Streets as per contract were authorized to install the proposed list of plumbing fixtures as submitted in their communication of April 8,1910, without additional cost .

Moved by Mrs.White and seconded by Commissioner Schlitter that $250.00 be appropriated for the improvement of Jackson Park playground . Carried.

The matter of the handball courts and the grass surface at the Seventh and Harrison Streets playground site was refered to the committee on that section with authority to proceed.

The surface under the outdoor gymnasium at the North Beach Playground was refered to the committee with power to act .

The report of J.E.Williamson, with reference to his visit to the Board of Normal School Trustees at San Jose was accepted .

Moved by Mrs.White and seconded by Commissioner Schlitter that the San Francsico Playground Commission be personally represented at the annual meeting of the Playground Association of America.carried .

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Office ,Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets,
San Francisco,April 21,1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. Mr.J.C.Astredo acting as chairman in the absence of President McCoy.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
John McLaren
George Schlitter
J.C.Astredo

Absent:- Commissioners, H.J.McCoy
Thomas R.Bannerman.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved without correction .

Moved by Mrs.Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that Robert Lundie be employed as playground director on the North Beach grounds,beginning April 23 1910, at a salary of $100.00 per month . Carried.

Moved by Mrs.Hayward and seconded by Mrs.White that Mr. Schlitter be given the position of Director of Play on the San Francisco playgrounds , at a salary of $125.00 per month,beginning May 1,1910.Carried.

Communication from the Department of Playgrounds,Los Angeles giving notice of the annual play festival in that city on April 30, and requesting a representative from the San Francisco Playground Commission,was ordered filed and acknowledged.

The matter of the pumping system in connection with the swimming tank on the North Beach grounds and the pipe connections was refered to the North Beach committee and the Supprintendent with power to act.

The Superintendent was instructed to have the handall courts surfaces changed so as to eliminate the sandy finish which has proven destructive to the balls used in play .

The following bills were ordered paid:

H.M.Scarritt, cost of concrete wall ,	$ 525.00
Ahlbach & Mayer, first payment,	1913.33
Daniel O'Day Company,cinders,	233.50
Hansen & Johnson,first payment,	675.00
United Builders Supply Co.	27.22
J.E.Williamson,expense,	51.15
J.E.Williamson,salary,	125.00
Joseph R.Hickey,salary,	125.00
J.E.Mason,salary,	65.00
	$ 3740.20

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine & Larkin Sts.
San Francisco May 5, 1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White
Mrs. L. A. Hayward
John McLaren
H. J. McCoy
J. C. Astredo

Absent:- Commissioners, Thomas R. Bannerman

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved without correction.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that the plans for the swimming tank on the North Beach playgrounds, as submitted by the City Engineer be approved. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that space in the bath house on the North Beach Playgrounds be utilized for an office with an entrance to both the boys and girls section, at at a cost estimated by the Superintendent. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that Commissioner Broderick of the Board of Works be requested to fill the site of the Jackson Park playground with such dirt, rock or clay as at his disposal. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the Playground Commission of San Francisco through the secretary, forward greetings to the Mayor of Rochester, in reply to his invitation to attend the annual Playground Congress on June 7-11 1910. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner White that the bill be presented by L. Kerner of Umbsen & Co., for services in connection with the Faenzi & Co lease on the North Beach grounds, be rejected, and that the amount of $ 25.00 as originally allowed be granted. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that an effort be made to obtain a loan of the Huntington lot on California Street for a playground. Mrs. White was appointed a committee of one to communicate with owners in reference to this matter. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that Mr. George Schlitter's report on the Los Angeles playground situation be accepted. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that Mr. Schlitter's expenses, covering the visit to Los Angeles, be allowed by the Commission. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the programme for the Fourth of July festival as offered by Mr. Schlitter be approved. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to secure the items of expense in connection with the May day festival at Golden Gate park, for reference.

The superintendent was instructed to construct a back-stop on the North Beach grounds within the cost as submitted in his estimate ($80.00).

Moved by Commissioner Astredo that this Commission adopt a schedule of retirement to offset the entire Commission giving up office at the same time, as will result from the present status of the Commission. There being no second the motion was lost.

Moved by Commissioner White that the matter be defered until such time as the Commission could act on the suggestion more intelligently. There being no second the motion was lost.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Granfield & Co.	$ 36.00
Barber Asphalt Co.	30.00

Evening Post Publishing Co.	$ 11.26
Brittain & Co.	9.43
Anderson Bros.	1.50
Pacific Fence Construction Co.	26.70
California Artistic Metal & Wire Co.	155.00
J.W.Schoulten & Co.	10.61
J.R.Hickey (expense)	8.00
Auto Livery Co.	10.00
Ahlbach & Mayer	5.10
Patrick & Co.	6.00
Holbrook, Merrill & Stetson	11.00
Cranfield & Co.	3.90
Clarke & Dickson	40.66
M.C.Baker & Son	1.00
A.G.Spalding & Bros.	25.00
Spring Valley Water Co.	6.30
Hartnett & McClinchey	296.00
Sanborn Vail & Co.	2.75
Lasky's	9.00
United Builders Supply Co.	.65
	$ 705.19

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey.
Secretary.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Sts.

San Francisco May 19, 1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, John McLaren, J. C. Astredo, H. J. McCoy

Absent:- Commissioner, Thomas R. Bannerman

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved without correction.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McLaren, that the matter of installing a flag pole on the Seventh and Harrison streets playground and in addition the placing of four smaller poles on the bleachers, be refered to the beautification committee. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that a special effort be made to secure free dump, dirt, clay or rock for the Jackson Park site. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Astredo, that a centrifigal pump be specified in calling for estimates to construct the pumping system for the North Beach grounds, Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the installation of lavatories on the girls section of the North Beach playground be

estimated .Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward,that ice cream be included in the expenditures for the Fourth of July festival,to the extent of providing for 25,000 children.Carried .Commissioners Mrs.Lovell White and John McLaren voted in opposition to the motion.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner McLaren,that a rat proof floor be included in the construction of the keeper's residence on the Seventh and Harrison streets playground. Carried.

Reports were read and accepted from Superintendent Williamson, Director of Play,George Schlitter,Commissioner J.C.Astredo and Commissioner Mrs.Lovell White.

The following bills were ordered paid:

J.E.Wason(janitor,North Beach grounds)	$ 65.00
Robert Lundie(playground director)	125.00
Robert Barth (playground director)	113.50
J.E.Williamson(superintendent)	125.00
Joseph R.Hickey(secretary)	125.00
Goodyear Rubber Company	5.53
" " "	22.43
Wright Wire Company	9.93
McCheehy Bros.	530.00
Anderson Bros.	15.70
Spring Valley Water Co.	30.00
Brittain & Co.	3.60
Evening Post Publishing Co.	13.05
Pacific Hardware and Steel Co.	24.38
Fairbanks Morse Co.	26.75
Robertson Bros.	136.00
Hansen & Johnson	975.00
W.M.Scarritt	100.00
" " "	85.00
Dass-Meter	329.50
Robert Balziel Jr.	2.50
J.P.Smith	19.22
J.Toussaint	42.50
J.Hamsden	2.50
A.Rodriguez	48.75
L.F.Brum	16.25
E.Dillon	77.00
Thos.Hopyhan	1.00
J.F.Collins	38.75
T.Kane	47.50
J.Cline	47.50
P.Organ	91.00
	63.50

M.Welsh	52.50
D.Gallagher	62.50
F.J.Delaney	63.75
A.Ross	65.00
M.Canavan	66.25
J.McBrearty	65.00
A.F.Harris	48.75
F.Logan	63.75
M.Doyle	47.50
C.Behringer	75.00
E.Duker	62.50
C.Evans	48.75
M.Hunter	65.00
J.Cronin	46.25
J.P.Vioget	75.00
M.Federlein	75.00
M.Federlein	32.50
	$ 3863.54

The meeting adjourned at 4 o'clock P.M.

Joseph R. Hickey

Secretary,Playground Commission.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Sts.
San Francisco June 2, 1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White
Mrs. L. A. Hayward
J. C. Astredo
M. J. McCoy

Absent:- Commissioners, John McLaren
Thomas R. Bannerman

Minutes

Proposals to construct concrete wall surrounding the girl's section of the North Beach Playground, as per plans and specifications, were received and opened by the Commission.

On motion of Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward, McCabe & Brown, General Contractors, were awarded the contract for work as described in the specifications. Carried. ($1499.00)

Proposals to construct an iron fence to top the concrete wall on the girl's section of the North Beach Playground, as per plans and specifications were received and opened by the Commission.

On motion of Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward, Dyer Bros., were awarded the contract to construct the iron fence as described. Carried. ($997.00)

The matter of the flagpole on the Southside Playgrounds was relered to the committee with power to act.

The Secretary of the Commission was instructed to give all credit for the proposed swimming tank on the North Beach grounds, to the City Engineer, Marsden Manson.

The Secretary was instructed to wire California Congressmen with reference to the Panama-Pacific Exposition, on behalf of the Playground Commission.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the report of Director Schlitter with reference to the Fourth of July Festival be accepted. Carried.

On roll call the following bills were ordered paid:

Wright Wire Co.	$ 5.90
Falls Manufacturing Co.	15.25
Pacific Fence Construction Co.	6.90
Bennett Bros.	19.80
Auto Livery Co.	17.50
Wright Wire Company	15.97
Bennett Bros.	61.10
George Schlitter	46.25
J. E. Williamson	46.80

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary Playground Commission.

Office,Playground Commission
Pine & Larkin Sts.
June 16,1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,Commissioner Mrs.Lovell White filling the chair in the absence of President McCoy.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White
John McLaren
Thomas R.Bannerman

Absent:- Commissioners, J.C.Astredo
H.J.McCoy

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with the correction,"that the matter of the flagpole on the Southside Playgrounds be again refered to the committee".

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hayward,that a two inch pipe be subsituted for a three-quarter inch pipe ,constituting the water system on the North Beach Playground. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McLaren, that plans be drawn for the lavatories on the girls section of the North Beach playgrounds.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that action with reference to leasing the gore lot at San Jose Avenue and Cherrero streets,be posponed.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McLaren,that the Director of Play ,George Kohlitter,be given power to certify bills to the gymnasium apparatus at the Southside grounds.

Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that a telephone be installed in the keeper's residence at the Southside Playground.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the necessary furniture for the keepre's residence on the Southside Playground be secured .carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that bleacher seats be constructed to the rear of the back stop on the North Beach Playgrounds,the same not to cost more than Sixty Dollars.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that action towards the purchase of lockers on the North Beach Playgrounds ,be defered.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the flag on the North Beach Playgrounds be cleaned , Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Bannerman that the Fourth of July celebration under the auspices of this Commission be confined to the North Beach Playground, Mission Park and Columbia Square.Motion was withdrawn.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Bannerman,that the action of the Commission on May 19 1910,in deciding to furnish ice cream to the children on the Fourth of July,be recinded. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that the Secretary of the Commission make arrangements for an automobile for the use of the Commission members on the Fourth of July, Carried.

The Superintendent J.E.Williamson was instructed to secure plans and specifications for the proposed pipe line on the North Beach Playgrounds ,in connection with the swimming tank.

Report of Mrs.Lovell White with reference to the installation of flagpole on the Southside Playgrounds and flag for the same to cost $ 24.40 was accepted.

Moved by Commissioner Bannerman and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that the plans for building on the girl's section of the North Beach Playground as submitted by McDougal Brothers,be rejected. Carried.

The following bills and demands were ordered paid on roll call:

Robert Dalziel Jr.Company		$ 244.82
Robert Dalziel Jr.Company		45.30
James E.Lennon Co.		10.50
James E.Lennon Co.		135.60
A.G.Spalding Bros.		197.60
A.G.Spalding Bros.		17.23
A.G.Spalding Bros.		88.10
Lally Company		33.00
Lally Company		83.42
Ahlbach & Mayer		1913.34
Evening Post Publishing Co.		13.05
Evening Post Publishing Co.		14.50
Spring Valley Water Company		25.28
Spring Valley Water Company		40.00
L.Ravini & Company		21.30
F.Figoni		1.75
Empire Planning Mill		9.00
G.Mazza		4.00
John A.Roebling's Sons Co.		3.98
Lettich Hawkins & Co.		1574.00
G.M.Ambsen & Co.		25.00
Van Arsdale Harris Co.		22.99
C.C.Morse & Co.		83.86
California Artistic Metal Wire Co.		15.30
Westell and Glaser		9.25
Brittain & Co.		10.04
John Cassaretto		217.50
Castagnino Bros.		157.00
Sherer Bros.		9.00
Bennett Bros.		18.00
W.J.Sloane		24.92
McSheehy Bros.		330.00
" "		10.00
" "		122.63
" "		67.81
" "		23.73
" "		91.05
" "		74.00
" "		8.00
" "		115.00
" "		3.00
Robert Lundie	(salary)	22.50
Robert Barth	"	100.00
J.R.Mason	"	100.00
C.McPearty	laborer	65.00
J.E.Williamson	(salary)	7.50
Joseph McSheehy	"	125.00
Joseph McSheehy	expense	7.50
George Schlitter	(salary)	125.00
L.Ehle	draughtsman	33.00
		$ 6160.03

The meeting adjourned at 4 o'clock p.m.

Robert McKay
Secretary.

Office,Playground Commission.
Pine and Larkin Sts .
June 30,1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
M.J.McCoy
Thomas F.Bannerman

Absent:- Commissioners, J.C.Astredo
John McLaren

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Superintendent,J.E.Williamson be allowed two weeks vacation , the number of days to be distributed over a period of one month as suggested by Mr.Williamson.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner White that the Secretary be instructed to secure an automobile for the use of the Commission on the Fourth of July,the cost of which shall not exceed Thirty-Five Dollars ($ 35.00) Carried.

The Superintendent was instructed to interview the City Architect with reference to obtaining plans for the pipe line to the swimming tank at the North Beach Playgrounds.

Director of Play,George Schlitter presented the complete programme for the Fourth of July celebration on the various playgrounds.

The following bills were ordered paid on roll call:

A.Meinhold	(loam)	$ 127.75
Falls Manufacturing Co.	(bolts)	24.20
Hartnett & McClinchey	(rock)	111.00
Stanley J.Fay	(floor-handball)	188.30
J.E.Williamson	(expense)	28.30
McSheehy Bros.	(partitions-handball)	332.00
M.O'Donnell	laborer	68.75
A.Ross		65.00
J.B.Smith		2.50
F.Donovan		20.65
M.O'Shea		48.75
F.Moynhan		67.50
J.F.Collins		68.75
A.P.Brown		47.50
H.Frost		45.00
P.Organ		65.00
H.Welsh		67.50
M.Canavan		1.25
P.Logan		1.25
C.Behringer		18.50
C.Behringer		75.00
E.Duker		67.50
H.Hunter		36.25
H,Hunter		75.00
H.Federlein		67.50
J.Cline		91.00
J.E.Vioget		78.00
M.E.Phelan		67.50
F.Mullen		51.25
C.O.Case		47.50
P.Cullen		51.25
A.Penzes		31.25
M.Ennis		41.25
P.Ryan		21.25
W.Shea		20.65
D.Gallagher		70.00
F.J.Delaney		67.50
		$ 2343.10

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Joseph R. Kelly
Secretary.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Sts.
San Francisco July 14, 1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. Commissioner Mrs. Lovell White acting as president of the meeting in the absence of Commissioner M.J.McCoy.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward, Mrs.Lovell White, John McLaren, J.C.Astredo, Thomas F.Bannerman

Absent:- Commissioner, M.J.McCoy

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were and approved.

Report of the Director of Play, George Schlitter relative to the Fourth of July celebration on the municipal playgrounds under the auspices of the Playground Commission was read and approved.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the directing employes and George Schlitter of the Playground Commission be extended a vote of thanks and the same is herewith included in the minutes of the regular meeting. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Chief of Police be requested to detail an officer from the Police Department to work under the auspices of the Playground Commission. Carried.

The report of Superintendent Williamson relative Jackson Park , the girl's section of the North Beach playground and the Harrison Street gymnasium was approved.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the matter of the plants and vines on the Southside Playground be refered to the beautification commitee with power to act.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Bannerman that the beautification committee report results at the next meeting.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Wayward,that President McCoy appoint a finance committee to appertion the playground appropriation to the different sites controled by this Commission.Carried.

The Superintendent and the Director of Play were instructed to prepare plans for the playground sites now occupied by the Madison and Spring Valley schools.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that Commissioner Wayward be appointed a committee of one by the chair, to investigate the conditions in the vicinity of Sixteenth and Church streets as reviewed in communication from vicinity.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Wayward and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that this Commissione communicate with Miss Phelan with reference to the lot at the corner of Sixteenth and Valencia streets for a playground site.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Wayward that the site of the former Madison school as offered by the Board of Education for playground purposes be accepted with thanks.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the communication from I.W.Parsons ,relative to proposed changes at the North Beach playground ,be referred to the committee.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Wayward and seconded by Commissioner Astredo, that the plans for the girls section of the North Beach playground as submitted by Director of Play ,George Schlitter,be accepted ,Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that at least one half of the Jackson Park site be graded and seded that the same may be used for play by the children in the neighborhood.Carried.

The communication from the Potrero Promotion Asso ciation with reference to the Jackson Park site was ordered filed with instructions to the secretary to acknowledge the same .

The matter of the proposed playground site at the gore of San Jose Avenue and 30 th Streets was postponed until next meeting,pending an inspection of the same by the members of the Commission.

The Superintendent was instructed to obtain estimates of the cost to supply the necessary disinfectants in the lavatories at Seventh and Harrison streets.

With reference to the trellis for vines at the Southside grounds, the Superintendent was instructed to construct the same at once.

The following bills were ordered paid on roll call:

Hawkins Building Co.	$ 1514.00
McSheehy Bros.	1900.00
Auto Livery Co.	56.00
Alexander Schlitter	65.00
S.J.Tully	60.00
Henry Maret	65.00
Maurice Ahern	65.00
Symon Bros.	250.00
P.Sapire	55.00
Chas.Schuppert	65.00
C.Sale's	65.00
Chas.Kirchner	550.00
George Schlitter	60.60
McSheehy Bros.	33.56
McSheehy Bros.	30.00
North Point Warehouse	11.85
Richard Lutge	38.55
H.M.Scarritt	141.50
A.G.Spalding & Bros.	7,26
John Roebling's Sons	3.81
Cal.Barrel Co.	7.50
Wright Wire Co.	6.10
Brittain & Co.	.18
Lansing Wheelbarrow Co.	7.50
Belander & Hallawell	220.00
Chas.J.Powers	35.00
Phillips Van Orden Co.	17.50
Cal.Notion & Toy Co.	72.00
Ames Harris Neville Co.	33.33
J.Rankin	2.50
J.Marquess	2.50
J.pelleg	1.75
D.Delfino	1.75
F.Carranezze	1.75
C.F.Marino	1.75
P.Cullen	40.65
F.Mullen	37.70
M.O'Donnell	40.[illegible]

M.Frost	30.00
E.Imker	40.00
C.Behringer	6.60
M.Boyle	35.00
C.H.Brownell	35.00
J.F.Collins	40.00
F.Moynihan	39.05
M.Hunter	38.75
M.Federlein	41.90
F.King	5.00
W.Shea	6.25
T.Donovan	6.25
P.Ryan	38.75
T.Casey	37.50
M.Davis	42.50
A.Spenzel	31.25
R.D.Keers & Co.	8.55
Robertson Bros.	240.00
Santa Fe	50.67
W.J Sloane	1.50
Paul Seiler Electrical Works	9.39
Dennett Bros.	8.16
Joseph Burns	10.00
Goodyear Rubber Co.	24.17
Goodyear Rubber Co.	4.50
Anderson Bros.	7.60
D.J.Morse & Co.	36.00
John Cassaretto	58.50
Lally & Co.	184.54
United Builders Supply	2.66
Falls manufacturing Co.	15.70
Allen's Press Clippings	2.50
Van Arsdale Harris	3.77
Western Sales Agency	12.50
Brittain & Co.	69.47
Bass-Hueter paint Co.	5.55
Henry Dowell Lime Co.	6.00
Brittain & Co.	.18

The meeting adjourned on the hour of 4:15 p.m.

Joseph R Hickey

Secretary, Playground Commission.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco August 11, 1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. L.A. Hayward, J.C. Astredo, H.J. McCoy, John McLaren, Thomas R. Bannerman

Absent:- Commissioner, Mrs. Lovell White

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Grand Jury relative to the employees of the City and County of San Francisco who reside outside the city limits ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors including petition for the planting of ornamental shade trees on the site of the Bay View School was ordered refered to the Board of Education.

Communication from Dyer Brothers, relative to the iron fence on the North Beach playground was refered to the City Architect on motion by Commissioner Hayward seconded by Commissioner Astredo.

Communication from the Mayor's office with information relative to the disposal of buildings on the site of the Madison school was ordered filed.

Communication from Deputy Superintendent of Schools, Thos. L. Heaton relative to a proposed playground on the site of the school lot at Seventh Avenue and Point Lobos Avenue was ordered filed with the recommendation that this Commission does not deem a playground in that neighborhood urgent at the present time.

Application for the position of playground director from Ray Daugherty was acknowledged. On motion of Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Bannerman the secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Daugherty to appear at the next meeting.

Application from Pearl E. Bank of 2666 Webster Street for the position of playground director was ordered filed and the secretary instructed to acknowledge the same with the information that persons who are non-residents of the city and county of San Francisco are not eligible for municipal positions.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward, that the Director of Play be instructed to purchase fifty hangers for the rings to be used on the gymnasium apparatus at Seventh and Harrison streets. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that McCabe and Brown be allowed one third of their contract amount as part payment on the concrete wallat the North Beach Playground. Carried.

Mr. Schlitter was authorized to purchase duplicate photographs of the recent Fourth of July celebration on the various playgrounds.

The matter of preventing further damage to the handball courts at North Beach by batted base balls was refered to the North Beach Committee.

President McCoy appointed Commissioners Astredo and Hayward as

constituting the budget committee to apportion the annual appropriation, the committee to report at the next meeting.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Spring Valley Water Co.	(June)	$ 106.34
Spring Valley Water Co.	(July)	128.16
J.E.Williamson		37.95
J.B.Hickey		6.00
Granfield Co.		48.00
McDougall Bros.		50.00
L.Ravini & Co.		99.70
Atlas Brass Works		.80
Eureka Sash & Door Mills		3.25
Pacific Hardware & Steel Co.		.75
Yawman & Erbe		3.75
G.P.& C.A. Wetmore		197.80
G.P.& C.A. Wetmore		48.00
A.G.Spalding & Bros .		12.00
A.G.Spalding & Bros.		10.80
Robertson Bros.		12.00
Robertson Bros.		6.00
Library Bureau		19.15
Lally & Co.		1.50
Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.		24.70
Allen's Press Clippings		3.50
M.P.Terry		15.50
Auto Livery Co.		20.00
Lasky's		6.50
Brittain & Co.		4.40
John Cassaretto		11.25
C.Mazza		3.50
Henry Cowell Lime & Cement Co.		18.00
Clem V.Rouse		196.00
Lally & CO.		17.82
Western Brass & Plating Works		43.80
J.W.ScHoulten		5.55
Anderson Bros.		2.50
Stephen Rossi		4.50
Payne's Bolt Works		1.00
Van Arsdale Harris Co.		95.02
California Fire Works		220.00
		1,482.68

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

Joseph R. Hilley

Secretary.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco August 25, 1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White
J.C.Astredo
John McLaren
H.J.McCoy
Thomas R.Bannerman

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Proposals to construct the toilets on the girls division of the North Beach playground as per plans and specifications were recieved as follows:

From:-	J.P.Doherty	$ 975.00
	Ahlbach & Mayer	$ 900.00
	M.Levy	$ 698.00

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward, that the bid of M.Levy be accepted as the legitimate offer to construct the toilets on the North Beach grounds. Carried.

Director of Play George Schlitter reported that the Southside Playgrounds would be opened to the public on September 1 1910, but that official dedication of the grounds would not take place until September 5t.

Mr.Dean representing the residents in the vicinity of the Madison School site appeared before the Commission with suggestions relative to the development of the proposed playground at that location. The Superintendent was instructed to prepare plans for the same and present them at the next meeting.

Commissioners Hayward and White were appointed a committee to interview Mr.Casey of the Board of Works relative the sidewalks surrounding both the North Beach and Southside playgrounds.

The matter of the pipe line for the swimming tank on the North Beach Playground was referred to Commissioner Astredo to report at the next meeting.

Commissioners Astredo and Hayward were appointed a committee to confer with the Park Commission relative to the development of certain park sites that they might appeal to the public as playground sites.

The matter of furniture for the keeper's residence on the Southside Playground was refered to the beautification committee with power to act.

Director of Play George Schlitter requested a vacation period of two days during the month of September. The same was granted.

The Secretary reported that there were four saloons in the vicinity of the Southside Playground which are detrimental to the success of the

grounds if permitted to continue .Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that Police Commission be requested not to renew any saloon license within a distance of 150 feet of the playgrounds Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that Ray Daugherty that be appointed to the position of Playground Director on the Southside Playground at a salary of $ 100.00 per month,to take effect September 1 ,1910. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the report of the Budget Committee be accepted as submitted.Carried .

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that the Superintendent be authorized to negotiate the lease for the San Jose and 30 Th street lot ,the same to be used for playground purposes. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Superintendent' s sample of requisition blank as sub mitted be referd to the Secretary.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo that the office of the Playground Commission be moved from the present location to the Southside Playground site.There being no second the motion was lost.

Application from Gladys V.Mann for the position girls director of play was ordered filed with acknowledgment.

Application of Mrs .J.Mullane for the position of matron was ordered filed.

Application of Robert Leando was ordered filed and the same acknowledge

Application of Mrs.G.S.Miehling was ordered filed and the same acknowledged.

Communication from the Acting City Architect announcing that concrete wall on the North Beach playgrounds had been completed according to plans and specifications was acknowledged and the bill as presented by McCabe and Brown ordered paid.

The following bills were ordered paid:-

Joseph P.Mickey	Secretary	$ 125.00
George Schlitter	Director of Play	125.00
" "	Expense	8.25
J.E.Williamson	Superintendent	125.00
" "	Expense	24.90
McCabe & Brown		1419.00
Star Supply Co.		2.50
California Barrel Co.		2.00
Flinn & Treacy		16.00
Sass-Muster Paint Co.		37.07
McGhesby Bros.		281.33
J.Allec		3.50
Edward March		19.00
Van Arsdale Harris		164.92
Anderson Bros.		14.50
John Casaretto		146.25
Brittain & Co.		11.27
Henry Cowell Lime & Cement Co.		6.00
Bay Development Co.		300.00
Pacific Telephone Co.		19.85
P.Organ		67.50
J.T.Collins		72.50
W.Frost		66.25
M.J.Maloney		48.75
M.Welch		72.50
D.Gallagher		72.50
T.J.Delaney		37.50
P.Nolan		48.75
M.Friedenstein		94.50
W.Hunter		37.50

H.Federlein	38.75
C.Johnson	10.00
E.Ennis	52.50
M.Donlin	47.50
P.Cullen	70.00
F.Mullen	70.00
M.O'Donnell	46.25
F.Terry	38.75
A.Ross	77.50
A.Ross	40.35
J.Chase	150.00
F.J.Shaughnessy	117.50
L.Lauritzen	100.00
R.L.Stinson	70.00
F.Brooks	61.00
R.Lundie	100.00
C.E.Mason	75.00
	4508.74

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p.m.

Joseph P. Mickey

Secretary,Playground Commission.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
San Francisco, September 15, 'IO.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Wayward
Mrs.Lowell White
J.C.Astredo
M.J.McCoy

Absent;- Commissioners, Thomas R.Bannerman
John McLaren

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Police Commissioners relative to the saloons in the vicinity of the Southside Playground ordered acknowledged and the Secretary instructed to keep in touch with situation.

Communication from the City Engineer with reference to the proposed pumping station on the Southside Playground as offerd by this Commission was ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Education including suggestion that the Playground Commission lease until July 1 1911 that parcel of land 75 X 100, situated at the corner of Moultrie Street and Jefferson Avenue to be used for playground purposes in connection with the Bernal School.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that a committee be appointed by the chair to confer with the Board of Education relative to the proposal. President McCoy appointed Commissioners Bannerman and Astredo to take up the matter, and report at the next meeting.

Communication from property owners in vicinity of Clay and Laurel Streets requesting that a basket ball court be erected on the site of the Lincoln school playground. Same was refered to the Superintendent to report at next meeting.

Commissioner Mrs.Lowell White reported that Mrs.Griswold of 845 Oak street had placed at the disposal of the Playground Commission two Giant rose bushes to be placed on the local playgrounds. The Superintendent was instructed to transfere the same, on motion of Commissioner Astredo seconded by Commissioner Wayward.

F.J.Churchill of the Mission Promotion Association presented the suggestion made by that organization that the Playground Commission secure from the Board of Education the right to develope the property to the West of the Mission high school for playground purposes. Moved by Commissioner Wayward and seconded by Commissioner White that the matter be refered to the committee on the Bernal school site, Commissioners Astredo and Bannerman. Carried.

The Superintendent was instructed to proceed with the installation of the water system on the girls section of the North Beach playground.

At the invitation of President McCoy, Miss Gladys Mann appeared before the Commission as an applicant for the position of instructor on the local playgrounds. Miss Mann was notified that any action taken by the Commission in this matter would be communicated to her.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that official dedication of the Southside Playground be held on Saturday October 8th. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Wayward that the Secretary advertise for 8300 feet of pipe to be used in connection with the swimming tank on the North Beach playground. Carried

Moved by Commissioner Wayward and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the Superintendent proceed with the construction of the bulkhead and the grade on the Madison school playground site. Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Mayor's office with reference to obtaining the use of an automobile on Saturday September 17, 1910.

The Superintendent's request for the use of a lawn mower on the Southside Playground was refered to the Southside committee.

The matter of benches on the girls section of the North Beach grounds was refered to the North Beach committee.

The Superintendent reported favorably on the San Jose Avenue site.

The Superintendent was instructed to secure a sample bench in connection with demands on the Southside playground.

The matter of the club house on the Southside grounds was posponed until the return of Mr.Gobbitter.

An appropriation not to exceed Fifty Dollars $ 50.00 was allowed the Superintendent for the purpose of making water soundings for a well on the North Beach grounds.

Commissioner Astredo reported the need of step guards on the slide at North Beach and motion of Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Wayward the same were ordered.

President McCoy appointed a committee composed of Commissioners White and Astredo to pass on all requisitions.

Moved by Commissioner White that M.Levy who proposed to construct the toilets on the girls section of the North Beach Playground for the sum of $ 500.00 be releaseed from his obligation. There being no second the motion was lost. The Secretary was instructed to refer the matter to the City Attorney for an opinion.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Wright Wire Co.	$ 30.40
Paul Geiler Co.	6.82
Spring Valley Water Co.	98.50

Evening Post Publishing Co.	11.60
Patrick & Co.	10.00
Brittain & Co.	24.65
Lally Company	2.80
Kirwin & Donovan	24.00
Pacific Fence Construction Co.	13.80
Waldron & Dietrich	14.41
Granfield & Co.	107.25
West Coast Wire & Iron Works	42.00
Payne's Bolt Works	3.38
Western Brass & Plating Works	33.00
Van Arsdale Harris Company	83.81
A.P.W.Paper Co.	8.50
John Bruener Company	145.75
Mangrum Otter Co.	7.30
H.S.Crocker Co.	43.75
O'Connor Moffatt Co.	32.30
Gas & Electrical Appliances	14.75
Nathan Dohrmann Co.	62.50
Base-Master Co.	12.20
F.Terry	17.50
R.L.Stinson	16.25
L.Lauritzen	5.00
W.L.Shaughnessy	17.50
J.Chase	10.00
F.Brooks	9.00
C.Johnson	1.25
M.Danic	17.50
H.Federlein	15.00
M.O'Donnell	12.50
	$ 957.27

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Joseph R. Kelley
Secretary, Playground Commission.

Office, Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin streets
San Francisco September 29, 1910.

---Meeting----

The special meeting of the Playground Commission for the purpose of receiving bids to furnish pipe for the North Beach swimming tank and to consider regular business, was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

----Roll Call-----

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.Lovell White Mrs.L.A.Hayward H.J.McCoy J.C.Astredo John A.Hammersmith
Absent:-	Commissioners,	Thomas R.Bannerman John McLaren

------Minutes-------

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Mayor's Office announceing the appointment of John A.Hammersmith as a member of the Playground Commissic n to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of George A.Schlitter was acknowledged and the presence of the new Commissioner recorded.

Communication from the Board of Education containing resolution in which tender is made to the Playground Commission of the California Women's Hospital site located at Sacramento between Lyon and Baker streets and the site formerly procured as an annex to the Mission High School.

Communication from the Ocean View Improvement Club relative to the appearance of a committee before the Commission concerning the needs of the Ocean View District.

Communication from the Mission Promotion Association containing resolution favoring the construction of free public swimming tanks, was ordered acknowledged.

Communication from a Tax Payer relative to conditions on the Jackson Square site was ordered filed.

Communication from boys in the vicinity of the Southside playground requesting the use of the baseball diamond between the hours of 5 and 6 p.m., was refered to the Director of Play, Mr. Schlitter.

Application from Miss Emma F.Cutler of Los Angeles requesting consideration for a position on the San Francisco playgrounds was refered to the Secretary.

Application from Florence E.Allen of Stanford University for position on the local playgrounds was refered to the Secretary.

Communication from the property owners in the vicinity of 18th and Douglas streets relative to a playground in that neighborhood was acknowledged the matter to be taken up in detail at the next meeting.

Resignation of J.E.Mason ,janitor at the North Beach Playground was accepted to take effect on October I 1910.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the bids to furnish the pipe for the North Beach swimming tank be opened at 3 p.m.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the site of the California Women's Hospital as offered by the Board of Education be accepted, and that this motion include also the acceptance of the Mission High School annex site .Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that the situation in the Ocean View District as described by William Wolf be investigated by a committee composed of John A.Hammersmith and J.C.Astredo who shall report at the next meeting.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith, that Mayor P.H.McCarthy be requested to appear on the occasion of the dedication of the Southside Playgrounds at Seventh and Harrison streets Saturday October 8 1910, at the hour of 2o'clock.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Secretary be permitted to order the printing of invitations and programmes for the above occasion.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that Secretary and President of the Commission be authorized to take over and sign the lease in connection with the lot at San JOse Ave.,and 28 th Street. Carried .

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that plans and estimates for the construction of a club house on the Southside grounds be secured .Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the Commission cooperate with the North Beach citizens in furthering the proposed festival in that district. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that new bids be called for in the matter of the toilets on the girls section of the North Beach Playground.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that Commissioner Astredo prepare the plan of reorganizing the various committees on the Commission.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that $ 1,000 be set aside for the improvement of the California Women's Hospital site.Carried. This same motion to apply to the Mission High school annex site.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Superintendent proceed with the drawings and plans for drinking fountains on the local playgrounds.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that it be the opinion of the Commission that the playgrounds may be used by adults during such periods as they are not occupied by the children and that the matter be refered to Commissioner Hammersmith to report at the next meeting.Carried.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Keuffel & Esser Co.	$ 8.II
Beatsoli Silica Co.	2.50
Levison Printing Co.	I8.50
Bass -Hueter Paint Co.	4.85
McCabe & Brown	46.65
Van Arsdale Harris Co.	I50.00
Pacific rence Construction Co.	I45.6I
Spring Valley Water Co.	8.75
Cal.Artistic Metal Wire Co.	I58.80
Moise Klinker Co.	II.80
Oscar Robinson	8.00
Henri Fourcade	I.50
Ahlbach & Mayer	I2.50
Holbrook,Merrill & Stetson	I5.00
North Point Warehouse Co.	I22.00
P.A.Bergerot	I.20
Paraffine Paint Co.	5.00
Joseph R.Hickey	I.30
J.E.Williamson	I25.00
George A.Schlitter	I25.00
Robert Lundie	I25.00
Ray Daugherty	I00.00
L.C.Brumm	I00.00
Goodyear Rubber Co.	I05.00
J.E.Williamson	4.84
J.R.Hickey	42.45
F.Fitzgerald	6.75
W.Ross	2I.25
Q.O'Leary	I6.75
W.Moss	7.50
C.Wilson	7.50
N.Jacobson	7.50
F.L.Shaughnessy	7.50
R.L.Stinson	I5.00
J.Jones	52.50
P.Lelierre	6.25
J.Murphy	38.75
N.Paulson	35.00
J.E.Mason	5.00
J.R.Viosat	75.00
E.Breitenstein	I5.00
A.Ross	84.00
J.Cline	75.00
C.D'Or	45.00
D.Brooke	5.00
H.Hunter	49.35
F.J.Delaney	6I.25
G.Gallagher	57.50
M.C.Smith	28.75
H.Welsh	48.75
J.F.Collins	66.25
M.E.Phelan	65.00
P.Shea	30.00
M.F.Prendergast	47.50
J.Garrigan	52.50
M.O'Donnell	38.75
J.Wall	6.25
R.Cronin	38.75
D.Fisher	42.75
P.Organ	49.00
H.Frost	57.50
M.F.Phelan	52.50
P.Cullen	46.25
N.Paulson	46.25
F.Smiley	7.50
	6.25

M.H.McCrew	6.25	
J.McBrearty	5.00	
W.H.Yee	5.00	
E.Baker	5.00	
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The meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:40 p.m.

Joseph R. Kirkley
Secretary,Playground Commission.

San Francisco October 6,1910.
Office,Playground Commission
Pine & Larkin streets.

---Meeting ---------

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President McCoy in the chair.

--Roll Call ------

Present :-	Commissioners,	Mrs.Lovell White Mrs.L.A.Hayward John McLaren J.C.Astredo John Hammersmith H.J.McCoy
Absent :-	Commissioner,	Thomas F.Bannerman

---Minutes-----

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Board of Works relative to the cost of repairing the sidewalks surrounding the North Beach and Southside grounds was ordered filed with instructions to the Secretary to acknowledge the same .

Communication from Mayor P.H.McCarthy acknowledging the invitation to attend the dedication exercises at the Southside grounds on Saturday October 8,1910 was ordered filed.

A committee composed of Mrs.Burnett and Miss M.A.Nolan appeared before the Commission with reference to securing a playground for the children in the neighborhood of the Visatacion Valley school.It was reported by these delegates that sufficient space could be secured at a rental of Twenty Dollars per month ($ 20.00).The matter was refered to the grounds committee to report back at the next meeting . Size of lot in question- 210 X 270.

The matter of benches on the Southside grounds was refered to the grounds committee.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the matter of surfacing the San Jose Avenue and 28th Street playground be refered to the Superintendent.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White, that the matter of the proposed club house on the Southside grounds be refered to Mr.George Schlitter. Carried.

The matter of the improvement of the Mission high school annex

site was laid over to the next meeting.

The offer to permit the improvement of the site at O'Farrell and Leavenworth streets for a playground on the part of Rolla V.Watt was refered to the Superintendent to report at the next meeting.

Commissioner Hammersmith reported on the proposed playground site at Ocean View .On motion by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith the matter was posponed until the next meeting .carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that all committees of the Playground Commission existing at this time be dismissed.carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White, that the new committee list as offered by Commissioner Astredo be adopted.as follows:

Finance-	J.C.Astredo, Mrs.Lovell White,John A.Hammersmith
Play-	John A.Hammersmith,Mrs.L.A.Hayward,Mrs.Lovell White
Grounds-	J.C.Astredo,Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Beautification-	Mrs.Lovell White,Mr.John McLaren,Mrs.L.A.Hayward
School Play-	J.C.Astredo,Mr.Thomas R.Bannerman,Mrs.Hayward,Mrs.White
Parks-	Mrs.L.A.Hayward,Mrs.White,John McLaren.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that the matter of trees at North Beach and Southside be refered to the beautification committee with power to act.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the matter of salary demand from L.C.Brumm of the Board of Works be refard to a committee to investigate and report back at the next meeting. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the former motion be recinded.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the amount of $ 105.00 be paid L.C.Brumm as included in the salary demand for services rendered.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that special invitations to attend the dedication of the Southside grounds be forwarded to Thomas Boyle,Edward R.Taylor,James Rolph Jr.,and Matt I. Sullivan .carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astrelo and seconded by Commissioner White that the Commission have the use of an automobile for Saturday afternoon Oct.8h Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the matter of securing a permanent automobile for the use of the Commissione be refered to the finance committee. Carried.

The following bills were ordered paid on roll call:

Van Arsdale Harris Co.		$ 71.40
Post Publishing Co.		27.56
Phillips Van Orden Co.		9.00
Mat-Water Co.		13.75
Crowe Co.		15.12
Robertson Bros.		96.00
A.Paulsen		40.00
Levison Co.	(Printing)	6.50
Daily Co.		26.27
		$ 305.59

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Joseph K Dickey
Secretary,Playground Commission.

San Francisco October 20th,1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock,Commissioner J.C.Astredo in the chair during the absence of President H.J.McCoy.

Roll Call

Present :-	Commissioners,	Mrs.Lovell White Mrs.L.A.Hayward J.C.Astredo John Hammersmith
Absent :-	Commissioners,	John McLaren H.J.McCoy Thomas R.Bannerman

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved .

Communication from the City Attorney relative to the manner of procedure in awarding contracts under the auspices of this Commission,was read and ordered filed.The Secretary was instructed to prepare copies of the Board of Works and Park Commission rules with reference to contracts in order that the same might be considered at the next meeting .

Communication from the San Bruno Avenue Improvement Club relative to the lots formerly occupied by the South End School for playground purposes was refered to the Grounds Committee.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner White that the Secretary secure an opinion from the City Attorney relative to the status of the California Women's Hospital site and the Playground Commission's title to the same by tender from the Board of Education.Carried

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner White that the work on the California Women's Hospital site proceed .Carried.

The matter of the retaining wall on the California Women's Hospital site was refered to the Grounds Committee.

The completion of the San Jose Avenue lot including the apparatus was refered to the Grounds Committee.

The matter of apparatus on the girls section of the North Beach Grounds was refered to the Grounds Committee.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Superintendent prepare plans to be presented at the next meeting, of the Madison School site and the Mission High School annex.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward, that the Beautification Committee decide on new names for the recently acquired playground sites. carried

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith, that the Superintendent secure fifty additional benches from the Chutes Company .Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner White that the corners of the club house on the Southside grounds be boarded to prevent further abuse.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that

the Board of Works be requested to repair the sidewalks surrounding the North Beach playgrounds , allowing sufficient space for the location of trees.The Secretary was instructed to forward this communication immediately Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Superintendent be allowed the sum of $ 50.00 per month for transportation.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the members of the Police and Fire Departments be allowed the use of the playgrounds between the hours of 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. daily on such days as they are not occupied by the children . Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner White that the Superintendent be allowed requisition for janitor's supplies ,samples of which were exhibited at the meeting .Carried.

The matter of the Sheridan School lot for playground purposes was laid over indefinitely.

The offer of Rolla V.Watt of a portion of the lot at O'Farrell and Leavenworth streets for playground purposes was again refered to the Superintendent.

Bids to construct the toilets on the girls section of the North Beach playground were received as follows:

E.W.Elliot	$ 998.00
Robert Dalziel Jr.	1087.00
Ahlbach & Mayer	800.00

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that Ahlbach and Mayer be awarded the contract to perform the work included in the plans and specifications.Carried.

On motion of Commissioner Hammersmith, seconded by Commissioner Hayward the following bills were ordered paid:

E.Palmer	(Laborer)	$ 5.00
W.Ross	"	2.50
J.Poniatowski	"	17.50
M.Flaherty	"	15.00
M.M.McCrew	"	22.50
J.Jung	"	22.50
M.J.Prendergast	"	25.00
J.Delmetz	"	15.00
W.O'Connell	"	16.75
J.Dugan	"	15.00
J.Lyons	"	2.50
C.Barbin	"	12.50
A.Peters	"	20.35
P.Coffey	"	20.35
J.Delasheim	"	17.85
J.Cline	"	15.00
J.McGrearty	"	6.75
A.Ditri	"	12.25
F.Galeberne	"	37.50
T.Minnon	"	75.00
Joseph A.Schlitter	(expense)	4.00
C.J.Fiske		39.00
Wm.J.Powers		106.50
Ahlbach & Mayer		10.00
Thomas Day		71.50
Van Arsdale Harris		80.01
Hale Bros.		16.25
Crittall		33.04
West Coast Wire & Iron Wks.		37.00
The Mutes		125.00
Carbolineum Wood Pres.Co.		37.00
Terrill & Miller		22.80
Levison Printing Co.		5.00

Joseph R.Hickey	$ 125.00
George A.Schlitter	125.00
J.R.Williamson	125.00
Robert Lundie	100.00
Ray Daugherty	100.00
	$ 1516.90

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey

Secretary,Playground Commission.

San Francisco November Io,1910

Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 8 o'clock p.m., President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
John McLaren
J.C.Astredo
John Hammersmith
T.J.McCoy .

Absent:- Commissioner, Thos.R.Bannerman

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved .

Communication from the Board of Education refering to a communication from the Board of Works to the Mayor's Office ,suggesting that the site of the Marshall School be changed from 19th and Angelica streets to 18th and Church streets,was refered to the Grounds Committee.

Communication from Stanley J.Yap concerning the improvement of Arkansas street in front of Jackson Park ,between 17th and Mariposa streets,was refered to the Grounds Committee.

Communication from Ahlbach and Mayer relative to minor changes in the specifications covering the toilets on the girls' section of the North Beach Playground,was refered to the Grounds Committee.

Communication from the Chief of Police acknowledging the privileges extended to members of the Police Department on the playgrounds was ordered filed.

Communication from petitioners in the vicinity of the Madison School site concerning the installation of tennis courts on that playground was referred to the Ground Committee and the interested parties informed of the action of the Commission.
Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that no tennis courts be constructed on the Madison site at present owing to the lack of funds.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the Superintendent secure estimates as to the cost of the fence to be erected on the Madison School site and that the matter be referred to the finance committee with power to act.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the matter of fencing at the Madison School site and the North Beach Playground, be refered to the Beautification committee.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith,that the matter of finishing the Madison School site be refered to the finance,grounds and beautification committees with power to act .carried.

Moved Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the matter of the apparatus on the San Jose Avenue lot be refered to the grounds committee with power to act to the extent of $150.00. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that Ahlbach and Mayer be authorized to perfect the roof over the toilets on the girls' section at the North Beach Playgrounds at a cost not to exceed $39.00, and that extra concrete wall to cost not more than $19.00 be installed where needed. Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White, that the matter of the concrete wall on the California Women's Hospital site as well as the bulkhead and the general improvements be refered to the grounds committee. Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Board of Education and the Board of Supervisors relative to the transfere of the certain school lots for playground purposes.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White , that the matter of the pipe line for the North Beach swimming tank be refered to the Superintendent with instructions to secure estimates as to cost of laying the same and report at the next meeting.Carried.

The Superintendent was instructed to construct wooden stop on the running track at the Southside Playgrounds to cost not more than $12.00.

On recommendation of the committee on play it was agreed that the hours of employment on the local grounds should conclude at 5 o'clock during the winter months.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the plan for the completion of the girls' section of the North Beach playground as submitted by Mr.George Schlitter be adopted and that the work proceed at once . Carried .
The above resolution further included the recommendation that the cooperation of the Park Commission be invited to the extent of obtaining such plants and flowers etc., as might be needed in the finishing of these grounds.

Communication from T.R.Atkinson including suggestions as to the installation of a set of books in the office of the Commission was ordered acknowledged .Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that Mr.Atkinson proceed with the work of establishing a system of accounts ,recording the financial transactions of the Playground Commission. Carried .

On recommendation of Commissioner Astredo,the matter of the pumping plant on the Southside Playgrounds was refered to the grounds committee.

The matter of Precita Park was refered to the grounds committee.

The matter of the South End school site was refered to the grounds committee.

Action on the proposed playground on the Visitacion Valley site was defered indefinitely.

The application of Mrs.I.Fleischer for a position on one of the playgrounds and that of Miss.Edna Hayward,both of whom offered to do volunteer work, was referred to the committee on play with power to act. The above action was taken on motion of Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White.

Communication from Officer Luke Livingston relative to the arrest of three boys on the Southside Playground , who were subsequently released by the Probation Officer of the Juvenile Court without right or any due process of the law , was refered to Commissioner Hammersmith.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors enclosing petition from the Richmond Central Improvement Club requesting that a playground and swimming tank be constructed on the property situated between 18th and 19th avenues ,California and Clement streets, was refered to the grounds committee.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Commission hold executive session to consider Mr.J.P.Williamson's request for an increase of salary.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner White that the matter be defered until a later date .The motion was carried,Commissioners Hayward and Astredo voting as opposed to any delay in the matter .

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that further action in the matter of raising the Superintendent's salary be postponed until January 1,1911.Carried.

The following bills were ordered paid ,

A.G.Spalding & Bros.	$ 120.00
Cal.Plate Glass & Window Co.	2.75
Edward Marsh	5.00
Tranfield Co.	19.00
J.P.Williamson (expense)	22.25
West Disinfecting Co.	120.50
Van Arsdale Harris Co.	62.25
W.&J.Sloane & Co.	89.56
Payne's Bolt Works	8.35
Martnett & McClinchey	255.00
Van Arsdale Harris Co	12.65
Holbrook,Merrill& Stetson	52.50
Henry Cowell Lime & Cement Co.	9.00
C.C.Morse Co.	60.20
Fulle Manufacturing Co.	8.33
Clem W.Morse	24.00
Allen's Press Clipping	5.00
Crane Co.	610.00
Crane Co.	610.00
Santa Fe	6.00
Spring Valley Water Co.	63.16
Chutes Co.	125.00
Mass -Chester Co	3.30
Robert Dalziel Jr.Co.	102.70
Parkside Wood Co.	7.60
A.G.Spalding & Bros.	170.82
Evening Post Publishing Co.	24.70 I-2
W. [illegible]	12.50
H. [illegible]	12.50
J. [illegible]	3.15
	2,721.80 I-2

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Joseph L. Kirkley

Secretary ,Playground Commission.

San Francisco December 1 ,1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,Commissioner White acting as chairman in the absence of President McCoy.

Roll Call

Present :-	Commissioners,	John Hammersmith Thos.R.Bannerman Mrs.L.A.Hayward Mrs.Lowell White
Absent :-	Commissioners,	J.C.Astredo John McLaren M.J.McCoy

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Playground Association of California including notice of the First California State Conference of Playgrounds , to be held at the Hotel St.Francis on December 15,16 and 17.

Communication from the Park Commissioners granting request of the Playground Commission for plants and shrubs to be used on the North Beach and Madison playgrounds, was ordered acknowledged .

Communication from Officer Livingston reporting the recovery of stolen property on the Southside Playground was ordered filed.

Communication from Thomas F.Atkinson ,public accountant with suggestion relative to requisitions was acknowledged .

On motion of Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward it was resolved that all requisitions for supplies be prepared by the Secretary of the Playground Commission and approved by the chairman of one of the committees before such supplies can be ordered and that the person receiving the goods shall sign thereon for the delivery of the same and that the requisition shall be forwarded to the Secretary with the bill.Also,that the chairman of the committee shall designate from whom the goods shall be purchased unless it shall be arranged at some future time for the purchase of supplies under contract.Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Superintendent purchase the necessary wire netting for the fence on the Madison playground .Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Superintendent proceed with the laying of the pipe in

connection with the North Beach swimming tank ,per estimate submitted. ($1250.00) Carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Secretary secure an estimate as to the cost of printing an illustrated report of the Playground Commission.Carried.

Commissioner Hammersmith was authorized to purchase a camera for the use of the Commission.

The Superintendent was authorized to expend $ 10.00 in the painting of the wood work in the toilets of the girls section on the North Beach Playground.

Commissioner Danneman reported on the status of the Marshall School site at 19th and Angelica streets ,stating that the Board of Education was in favor of turning this location over to the Playground Commission, and that a recommendation to that effect would be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors .Commissioner Danneman announced that the matter of the former California Women's Hospital site and the Madison School site would be taken up at the next meeting of the Board of Education.

The matter of quarters in the New City Hall for the Playground Commission was referal to Richard Whelan of the Board of Education who promised to provide for this department.

Commissioner Hammersmith reported that a flag for the North Beach Playground was forthcoming from the Carnival Committee in that vicinity, but that up to date the same had not been presented.

The supply of soap for the North Beach and Southside playgrounds as requested by the Superintendent was discussed and the matter laid over until the next meeting .

The following bills were ordered paid:-

Cranfield & Co.	$ 24.00
J.F. Bowles	110.00
J.Cline	36.25
J.C. Brenner	18.00
[illegible]	58.75
J.D.Bogart	71.00
J.J.Phelan	76.50
[illegible]	37.50
[illegible]	37.50
[illegible]	110.00
[illegible]	83.00
[illegible]	37.50
[illegible]	75.00
A.J.Brady	56.00
[illegible]	56.00
[illegible]	60.00
[illegible]	56.25
[illegible]	75.00
[illegible]	7.00
[illegible]	6.45
[illegible]	193.71
[illegible]	86.00
[illegible]	8.00
[illegible]	2.00
[illegible]	907.00
[illegible]	11.50
[illegible]	46.00
[illegible]	3.50
[illegible]	56.00
[illegible]	57.75
[illegible]	11.15
[illegible]	2.00
[illegible]	740.00

Payne's Bolt Works	11.35
Spring Valley Water Co.	65.30
Ahlbach & Mayer	400.00
Carbolineum Co.	7.50
Payne's Bolt Works	3.45
Reig le & Jam ieson	50.00
J.C.Sweeney	30.00
Robertson Bros .	241.00
Western Development Co.	118.00
	$ 3,513.16

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph R. Thelen

Secretary.

San Francisco December 28,1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. ,President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present :- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
M.J.McCoy
Thos.F.Saggerman
J.C.Astredo

Absent :- Commissioners, John McLaren
J.A.Hamersmith

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Playground Association of America requesting a contribution to assist in the work of the field secretary appointed for this district was ordered filed and the secretary instructed to inform the Playground Association that such assistance from this Commission would be in conflict with the Charter of the City And County .

Communication to Commissioner White from Henry C.Curtis offering to lecture on playgrounds under the auspices of this Commission for the sum of $ 35.00, was ordered filed and the secretary instructed to inform Mr.Curtis that sufficient money for this purpose was not available at the present time .

Communication from the Telegraph Hill Association calling the Playground Commission's attention to the urgent need of a building suitable for recreation purposes on the North Beach Playground was referred to the Committee on Grounds.

Communication from Carrie M.Wiggins of the Midday Rest Room at 246 Sutter Street, requesting the establishment of recreation centers in connection with the municipal playgrounds , was referred to the Committee on Grounds.

Communication from Jennie Carle Abbot suggesting that suitable buildings containing gymnasia, dance floor,lunch room etc., be provided in recreation centers conducted in connection with the playground work in San Francisco,was referred to the Committee on Grounds.

Superintendent of Play, George Schlitter ,requested that adults be allowed certain privileges on the playgrounds when taking advantage of the play and requested authority to restrict the game . [illegible] Commissioner

Hayward,Mr.Schlitter was permitted to incur the responsibility of the play conditions on the municipal grounds.Carried.

The matter of indoor play for the winter months on the North Beach Playground was referred to the Committee on Play.

Moved by Commissioner White and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the amount of $ 300.00 be set aside for the improvement of the acquired building on the Southside Playground the details being refered to Commissioner Hayward and the Superintendent. Carried.

The matter of repairing the leak in the toilets on the girls section of the North Beach Playground was laid over until the next meeting.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that a lease for fifteen years be taken on the site of the former Madison School and the California Women's Hospital from the Board of Education, as suggested by Richard Whelan and Henry Payot who were present at the meeting.The Playground Commission to pay One Dollar ($1.00) per year for each location.

The members of the Board of Education reported that action on the Marshall School site would probably follow but that they were not ready to offer the same at the present time .

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner White that a committee on general development be appointed to report at the next meeting.Commissioners Astredo and Hayward were placed on this committee by the chair.

A vote of thanks is herewith recorded to the Mayor,Board of Education and the Superintendent of Parks in appreciation of the automobiles loaned on the occasion of the Playground Conference of California .

The matter of the camera to be purchased for the use of the Commission was referred to Commissioners Astredo and Hamersmith.

The following bills were ordered paid:-

Allens Press Clippings.		$ 3.5
J.Lavini & CO.		22.17
Van Arsdale Harris		10.00
Star Towel Co.		1.25
Payne's Belt Works		4.5
Tase-Water Co.		35.00
John F.Cleese Co.		12.00
Valentine Coal Co.		3.00
Pacific Telephone Co. (Continued)		22.00
Turrill & Miller		17.50
Bay Development Co .		5.00
Wahle Howe & Emerson		17.00
Boyd & Moore		47.10
Van Arsdale Harris		7.
" "		1.10
Taxes (San Jose Ave .)		52.50
Rent Nov.& Dec. "		30.00
Joseph T.Hickey	Secretary	125.00
J.W.Williamson	Superintendent	125.
George A.Schlitter	Director of Play	12 .00
T.H.Atkinson	Accountant	100.00
Robert Lundie	Director	100.00
Ray Daugherty	"	100.00
Star Towel Supply		2.00
Pacific Telephone (North Beach)		24.00
C.N.Demartini		2.00
" " "		2.00

Selby Smelting Co.	189.83
L.Ravini & Co.	100.80
" " " "	51.75
Ames Harris Neville & CO.	9.75
Ahlbach & Mayer	466.00
Granfield Company	43.00
J.F.Williamson Expense	67.05
Western Building Material Company	18.70
	$ 2068.01

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Joseph K. Hickey
Secretary.

San Francisco January 10,1911.
Office,Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets.

Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President McCoy in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, H.J.McCoy, John A.Hammersmith, John McLaren, Mrs.L.A.Hayward, H.C.Vaughn

Absent:- Commissioners, J.C.Astredo, Mrs.Lovell White

Meeting

According to Section I ,Rules of the Playground Commission, nominations for the election of the President of the Commission to serve during the ensuing year were in order.
Commissioner Mrs.Lovell White was nominated by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hayward.There being no further nominations,Mrs.LOvell White was unanimously elected President of the Playground Commission.

On motion of Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner McLaren,Commissioner McCoy was choosen chairman of the meeting in the absence of President White.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors relative to Resolution No.7120 (New Series) requiring an inventory of all property belonging to the City and County used in the department of playgrounds, was ordered filed and the secretary instructed to reply to the same.

On motion of Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward the action of the Commissioners at the previous assembly of January 5th 1911 with reference to expenditure of $ 150.00 for tools and $ 100.00 for the alterations in the bath house at North Beach was ratified.

On motion of Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith ,the plans submitted by Director of Play George Schlitter for the apparatus on the girls section of the North Beach playground were approved .

Rules and regulations to prevail on the playgrounds as submitted by the Director of Play George Schlitter were approved .

On motion of Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward,Miss Florence Burrell was appointed to direct the play of the girls at the Southside playground at a salary of $75.00 per

month ,commencing February I ,I9II,and Miss Edna Hayward to direct the girls play on the North Beach ground commencing February I I9II at a salary of $ 75.00 per month.

On motion of Commissioner Hayward seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith,Mrs.Isabelle Fleischer,was appointed matron at the Madison playground at a salary of $ 60.00 per month commencing February I I9II.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Spring Valley Water Co.	North Beach	$ I6.52
Spring Valley Water Co.	Southside	I0.88
Falls Manufacturing Co.	General	I0.00
Falls Manufacturing Co.	General	9.00
North Point Warehouse		83.56
United States Pipe Co.		I655.I7
Levy Electrical Co.		4.50
F.Figoni		2.50
Pacific Fence Construction Co.		5I.I3
Brown and Power		75.35
Van Arsdale Harris		9.I7
Crane Co.		I4.40
Bass-Hueter Co.		2.I0
Robertson Bros.		36.00
Crane Co.		I9.84
Lally Company		4.30
Brittain Company		95.35
Lally Company		I07.54
Lally Company		I49.I8
Library Bureau		I5.00
Labor demands		2I4.25
		$ 2883.44

The meeting adjourned at 3;45 p.m.

Joseph L. Tilney
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission,January I9,'II.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,by the President Mrs.Lovell White.

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.L.A.Hayward J.C.Astredo Mrs.Lovell White
Absent:-	Commissioners,	John McLaren M.C.Vaughn M.J.McCoy John Hammersmith

There being no quorum the following business was transacted subject to ratification at the next meeting :

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from Frederick M.Lefwood,property owner in the vicinity of Madison Playground ,protesting certain annoyances at that place .The Secretary was directed to communicate with reference to the same.

Communication from The Newman Club and Young Women's Christian Association of the University of California relative to the opportunity for social service work on the local playgrounds.The Secretary was directed to reply to the same .

Written report from T.H.Atkinson on the examination and accounts of the Playground Commission.Ordered filed.

Communication from Mrs.M.Bollo with recommendations for positions to be filled by women workers on the playgrounds.Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to the same.

Communication from Commissioner M.J.McCoy regreting his inability to be present at the meeting of the Commission.Ordered filed.

Communication from M.S.Braucher ,Secretary of the Playground Association of America calling attention to the proposed visit of Mr.Weir of the association who will be in this city on or about February I5th.Secretary instructed to offer the Commission's every opportunity whereby Mr.Weir will be able to observe the playground situation here .

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that Mr.Weir be welcomed and shown every courtesy by the Commission. Motion carried.

Communication from the South of Army Street Improvement Association relative to the purchase of additional play space for the Bernal

School. Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the same be refered to the Board of Education with the facts concerned in the previous efforts of this Commission to negotiate a lease of the site in question. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Superintendent be authorized to erect a wire fence around the present swimming tank on the North Beach Playground to prevent accidents. Motion carried.

The matter of a store room under the slide at the North Beach grounds as suggested by the Superintendent was refered to the committee on grounds.

The matter of a screen on the North Beach grounds whereby batted balls will be prevented from falling on the girl's section and in the gymnasium corner was refered to the committee on grounds.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the development of the playgrounds unfinished be refered to the committees on grounds and play to report at the next meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the matter of the pump for the swimming tank at the North Beach grounds be refered to Commissioner Astredo.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the suggested changes for the slide on the North Beach Playground be defered until such time as the Superintendent of Play report on the situation. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the matter of fittings for the girl's gymnasium be refered to the grounds committee and Commissioner Hammersmith. Motion carried.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the salary of Mrs. Isabelle Fleischer matron appointed to the Madison Playground, be raised from $60.00 per month to $ 75.00 per month. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph R. Bailey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, January 26, 1911.

Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:	Commissioners,	Mrs. L. A. Hayward Mrs. Lovell White J. C. Astredo John McLaren Henry J. McCoy John A. Hammersmith
Absent:	Commissioner,	M. C. Vaughn

Meeting

The record of the previous meeting of the Commission was read as transacted without a quorum, and on motion of Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith the business of the meeting on January 19th was retatified.

Communication. Application from Miss Ethel R. McConnell of 2429 Ellsworth Street, Berkeley was read and ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to reply accordingly, on motion of Commissioner Hammersmith and second by Commissioner McLaren.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the offer from the City Engineer's Office, to cooperate with the Playground Commission in the construction of a swimming tank on the Southside Playground, be refered to the Grounds Committee, to report at the next meeting.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the amount of $ 1,500 be appropriated to complete the work on the girls section of the North Beach Playground.

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the status of the sites of the California Hospital and Madison school recently tendered to the Playground Commission by the Board of Education. The chair appointed Commissioners Astredo, Hammersmith and McCoy, to appear before the Board of Education and report at the next meeting of the Playground Commission.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner McCoy that an estimate of five Hundred loads of loam for Jackson Park be obtained by the Superintendent.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Superintendent proceed to level the surface of Jackson Park, final instructions to be forthcoming from the Grounds Committee.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the plans for the completion of Jackson Park as submitted by George A.Schlitter be adopted with such future changes as necessary.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Allen's Press Clippings	$ 2.50
C.C.Morse & Co.	4.40
Anderson Bros.	3.75
Bass-Tueter Co.	15.36
Robertson Bros.	107.00
Hirsch & Kaiser	35.00
Star Supply Co.	4.00
Boyd & Moore	227.73
North Point Warehouse	1.35
Cal.Plate & Window Glass Co.	20.00
Tubbs-Cordage	12.67
Cranfield Co.	12.75
J.F.Williamson	61.50
Sanborn Mail	2.00
C.S.Harney	12.00
J.F.Hickey	19.65
J.F.Williamson	135.00
J.F.Hickey	125.00
George A.Schlitter	125.00
Robert Lundie	100.00
Ray Daugherty	100.00
J.A.Bowles	72.50
A.Ross	75.00
C.Cline	75.00
J.F.Collins	75.00
J.A.Piaget	75.00
F.Breitenstein	87.50
George Schlitter	4.25
J.F.Hickey	19.65
	$ 1660.31

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph L. Hilsey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
February 2,1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Commissioner J.C.Astredo acting as Chairman of the meeting the absence of President Mrs.Lovell White.

Roll Call.

Present:-	Commissioners,	J.C.Astredo Mrs.L.A.Hayward John Hammersmith
Absent:-	Commissioners,	H.G.Vaughn H.J.McCoy John McLaren Mrs.Lovell White

The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Their being no quorum present the following resolutions were submitted subject to approval at the next meeting of the Commission.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the amount of $ 5.00 expended for the purchase of games to be used by the children in the club house at Southside.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the amount of $ 100.00 be expended for the purchase of a piano at the Southside grounds.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the amount of $25.00 be expended for the purchase of chairs and tables for the club house at Southside.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Hayward that the amount of $10.00 be expended for the purcahse of books to be part of the proposed library on the Southside grounds.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Joseph L. Hilsey.
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
February 16th 1911.

Minutes

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present. Commissioners . Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
J.C.Astredo
J.J.Hammersmith
H.J.McCoy
John McLaron

Absent. Commissioners, H.F.Vaughn

The minutes of the previous meeting at which there was not a quorum,were ratified on motion by Commissioner Astredo ,seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the proposed play apparatus as described by the representative of the Ellery Arms Co., Mr.Spalding,be referred to the grounds committee.

Communication from the San Souci Improvement Club with reference to the construction of a playground on the site of the former South End school was referred to the grounds committee on motion by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith.

Resolution from the Board of Education offering to lease the site of the former Lincoln school and the site of the former Hallstead Hospital to the Playground Commission for a term of years at a yearly rental of one dollar each site, was accepted on motion by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner McCoy. Commissioner McLaron voted nay.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the matter of the sites received from the Board of Education be referred to the grounds committee with power to act in binding the transaction.

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Secretary be instructed to write to the Board of Education requesting an extension of time in which to act in binding the transaction.

Moved by Commissioner McLaron and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the secretary forward to the Board of Trustees a copy of the minutes of this meeting relative

to the inception of the Playground Commission and its work, and that information concerning the powers and work of the Park Commission be included also.This information to be in reply to the communication referred to the Commission from the Mayor of Boston.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the communication from Oscar Heyman & Brother presented by Mrs.L.Levy relative to obtaining property for a playground in the vicinity of Bacon and Girard streets,be refered to the grounds committee .

Moved by Commissioner Astredo, seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the plans for the bath house and gymnasium at North Beach as presented by Mr.de Colmsneil.

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that posts in the center of the proposed gymnasium,be eliminated as they appeared in the plans presented for the North Beach grounds, and that Mr.de Colmsneil be employed and instructed to proceed with the detail plans for the bath house and gymnasium.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the gymnasium apparatus on the girls section of the North Beach grounds be installed as ordered.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the superintendent secure the trees offered the Commissioner through the courtesy of Commissioner McLaren for the North Beach grounds.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner McCoy that $ 1,400 be set aside for the improvement of the Madison school site,with the exception of surfacing the same.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that the plans for the California site be approved .

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that plans showing the proposed approach and stairway on the California site with the lavatories and toilets under the same ,be secured from the architect.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the work of constructing the bulkhead on the east and west sides of the California site proceed under the direction of the superintendent.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Secretary be instructed to present to the Commission a statement showing the balance of funds on hand at the first of each month.

The secretary was instructed to send items of interest concerning the Playgrounds Commission to the Municipal Record.

The application of Miss Gertrude Judd was ordered filed with instructions to the secretary to notify the applicant that there were no vacancies in this department at the present time.

President Mrs.Lovell White appointed Commissioner Hammersmith as an additional member to the beautification committee.

Bills to the amount of $1720.58 were ordered paid.

Secretary

Office of the Playground Commission
March 2,1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, John Hammersmith
Henry J.McCoy
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White

Absent:- Commissioners, John McLaren
H.G.Vaughn
J.C.Astredo

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Ocean View Improvement Club relative to the school in that district being used for a playground was refered to the grounds committee on motion of Commissioner McCoy seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith.

Communication from the "Mothers Club"of the Bryant Cosmopolitan School was refered to the grounds committee.

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the members of the Commission visit the Mayor with reference to the relations between this department and the City Architect.The Secretary was instructed to make an appointment.

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the matter of disinfectants on the playgrounds be refered to the Superintendent with power to act.

Communication from Special Officer Luke Livingston relative to certain article s stolen from the clothes of persons visiting the Southside Playground was ordered filed and the Superintendent instructed to place signs on the grounds to the effect that such valuables should hereafter be left with the director on the grounds.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McCoy that this Commission recommend to the Board of Supervisors the purchase of the additional lots in the vicinity of the Southside Playground .The Secretary was directed to report at the next meeting as to what funds were available from the original bond issue for this purpose.

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Park Commission be requested to consider the transfer of Hamilton Square to the Playground Commission,to be developed as a supervised playground .

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the matter of the May-Day festival including the costumes to be used by the children ,be refered to Commissioner hayward and the Director of Play ,George Schlitter.

Moved by Commissioner Hayward and seconded by Commissioner McCoy that the Superintendent proceed with the construction of the brick coping on the Sacramento Street line of the California site.

A committee composed of Commissioners Hammersmith,Hayward and McCoy was appointed by the chair to select proper titles to be adopted in the identity of the former California Women's Hospital site and the Madison school lot.

The Superintendent was instructed to prepare the opening of the girls' section of the North Beach playground as soon as the weather cleared .

Communication from Miss Gertrude Judd offering to do volunteer work on the local playgrounds was acknowledged and ordered filed.

Bills to the amount of $ 1546.40 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4 o'clock p.m.

Joseph R Thilsey

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
March I6,I9II.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present :- Commissioners, Mrs.lovell White
John Hammersmith
Henry J.McCoy
J.C.Astredo

Absent:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
John McLaren
H.G.Vaughn

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Corona Club requesting this Commission to secure the site at Nineteenth and Angelica streets for playground purposes.
On motion of Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith the secretary was instructed to communicate with the Board of Education with a request for the site in question.

Communication from Miss Ethel Moore ,President of the Playground Association of California concerning a plan of general cooperation for the betterment of the playground situation.The secretary was instructed to acknowledge the same expressing the assistance of this Commission.

Communication from the Park Commissioners relative to the transfer of Hamilton Square to this Commission-stated that the matter would be taken up at the next meeting of the Park Commissioners.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors relative to the purchase of additional property in the vicinity of the Southside playground .On motion of Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hammer- it was resolved that the Supervisors be urgently requested to secure smith. the remaining lots needed to complete the site at Seventh and Harrison streets.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors including resolution No.7397 (New Series) pursuant to Article III,Chapter I,Section I of the Charter ,calling for an estimate of the amount of expenditures needed for the next fiscal year,same to be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors not later than April I ,I9II.
The matter was refered to the finance committee to report at the next meeting.

Application of Charles Weaver ,Eugene Oregon for position as a playground director was ordered refered to the State Playground Association.

Application of Miss Gladys Mann was ordered filed and Miss Mann informed that her request would be considered as soon as the occasion demanded an increase in the working force of the Commission.Miss Mann appeared before the Commission .

Application from P.S.Spacher for the position of caretaker was ordered filed and the secretary instructed to inform the applicant that there would be no consideration of this matter at the present time.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors requesting a review of the playground situation for the purpose of exploiting the attractions of San Francisco was refered to the secretary with instructions to acknowledge the same.

Mr.E.C.Priber representing the residents in the vicnity of Duboce Park appeared before the Commission with a request that a site offered by the Spring Valley Water Company at Church and Herman streets be improved for playground purposes.The matter was refered to the grounds committee,to report at the next meeting.

Commissioner Astredo of the grounds committee reported that because of a lack of funds,the matter of the proposed improvement of school property at Ocean View for playground purposes could not be considered at this time .The committee further reported that the request of the Mothers Club of the Bryant Cosmopolitan School for apparatus in the neighborhood parks ,was refered to the Park Commission.

Moved by Commissioner Astredo and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that Mrs.Isabelle Fleischer be appointed to direct the play on the triangle at 28th and San Jose Avenue commencing March I7 I9II.The superintendent was instructed to proceed at once with the installation of the apparatus on this site.

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Astredo that the Director of Play inform his assistants that the matter of their tardiness had been discussed at the meeting and that further breach on their part would necessitate them appearing before the Commission.

The superintendent reported progress on the work at the Madison site suggesting April I I9II as the date for completing the same.He was instructed to proceed with the brick coping at the California playground.

The director of play ,George Schlitter reported that the matter of costuming the girls for the May-day festival had been satisfactorily arranged by the directors.

Bills to the amount of $ I406.59 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Joseph R. Kirkpatrick
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
March 29th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair .

Roll Call

Present :- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White
John McLaren
John A.Hammersmith
H.G.Vaughn

Absent :- Commissioners, Henry J.McCoy
J.C.Astredo

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from Dr.Robert E.Keyes of 3128 Sacramento Street requesting the Commission to stand the cost of broken windows as a result of ball playing on the California playground was refered to the Superintendent.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that Dr.Keyes be remunerated to the amount expended in repairing the broken windows.

Moved by Commissioner Vaughn and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Playground Commission join in the petition with the Board of Education to the Board of Supervisors requesting the purchase of additional land for playground purposes at the Bernal school.

Moved by Commissioner Vaughn and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Commission approve the purchase of land in the Potrero district for a public park and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Board of Supervisors.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that the report of the finance committee including an estimate of expenditures for the fiscal year 1911-12 be accepted as submitted the total amount being $ 186,435.00.

Bills amounting to $1921.91 were ordered paid.

Communication from the Board of Education relative to the request of the Playground Commission for the use of the Marshall School site at 19th and Angelica streets ,stated thataction in this matter had been deferred until such time as another site for the proposed school shall be decided upon.

Communication from the Board of Park Commissioners relative to to the use of Hamilton Square for playground purposes under the auspices of the Playground Commission stated that the matter was laid over until the next meeting of the board and that this Commission would be notified of any future action.

Communication including Resolutions from the Corona Club in which the Playground Commission is petitioned to erect a swimming tank gymnasium and auditorium on the site at 19th and Angelica streets and in which the Commission together with the Board of Education is tendered thanks for their assistance in the matter of obtaining playground facilities in the Mission district.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
April 13th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White
John A.Hammersmith
Henry J.McCoy
John McLaren

Absent:- Commissioners, J.C.Astredo
H.G.Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication, from the Merchants' Association including printed special report on Public Accounting as to the revision of the system followed by the City Government of San Francisco, was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge the same .

Communication from George T.Colmesnil relative to charge for drawing preliminary sketches of swimming tank house and gymnasium on the North Beach Playgrounds acknowledged.
Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that Mr.Colmesnil be requested to present a bill for his services in connection with the above work.

Communication from the National Educational Association relative to the convention to be held in this city July 8th to 14th during which time the opportunity of visiting the playgrounds is desired, was refered to the Secretary to supply the necessary information. The Director of Play, Mr.Schlitter and the Secretary were instructed to arrange the programme for that occasion.

Communication from Mrs.L.Rosenfeld, property owner in vicinity of Southside Playground, relative to the sale of additional land for playground purposes, was refered to the Secretary to reply, with the information that this matter is now in the hands of the Supervisors.

Communication from Tighe-Tobin Co., relative to the sale of additional lots in the vicinity of the Southside Playground, was ordered acknowledged by the Secretary with the information that this matter had already been refered to the Supervisors.

Communication from the Park Commissioners relative to the transfer

of Hamilton Square to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission, was acknowledged with the information that the matter had been refered to the residents in that neighborhood.

Application of Miss Grace L.Jacks for a position on the local playgrounds was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to request the presence of Miss Jacks at the next meeting.

The Rev.Walker representing interests in the Visatacion Valley district appeared before the Commission with a request that an effort be made to secure a playground in that vicinity. The matter was refered to the grounds committee.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that acommittee composed of the Secretary and Director of Play be authorized to arrange a set of rules for the playgrounds and report the same at the next meeting.

Moved by Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that the Secretary communicate with the City Attorney with reference to the enforcement of rules adopted by this Commission in governing the playgrounds.

Moved by Commissioner McLaren and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the Superintendent be placed under bonds amounting to $2500.00 and that the Secretary's bonds be reduced from $5000.00 to $ 1500.00.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner Hayward that the chair appoint a building committee, the duties of which shall be to secure suitable plans, estimates and suggestions for contemplated structures on the local grounds.

President Mrs.Lovell White appointed Commissioners Hammersmith, McCoy and Mrs.L.A.Hayward, to constitute the building committee.

Commissioner Mrs.L.A.Hayward was appointed by the chair as an additional member of the finance committee.

The Secretary was instructed to inform Miss Judd, a volunteer worker on the local playgrounds that there are no opportunities for employment in this department athe present time .

Bills amounting to $ 1057.11 were ordered paid .

The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Joseph R. Dickey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
April 27th ,1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
John Hammersmith
Henry J.McCoy
J.C.Astredo

Absent:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
John McLaren
H.G.Vaughan

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Moved Commissioner McCoy and seconded by Commissioner Hammersmith that Commissioner Astredo be added to the building committee.

Moved and carried that the communication from the Richmond Central Improvement Club relative to the opening of 36th Avenue from West Clay street to Bakers Beach be acknowledged and the Secretary instructed to reply accordingly.

Moved and carried that the communication from the Richmond Central Improvement Club concerning the establishment of a playground on the school lot located at I8th and Avenue and California street be acknowledged,with the information that until the next appropriation is announced ,it will be impossible for the Commission to take action in the matter.

Moved and carried that the matter of making a change in the position of playground director at the North Beach grounds be posponed two weeks.

Moved and carried that the opening of the Madison playground be posponed two weeks.

Moved and carried that the use of the playgrounds by adults be restricted to the hours between 9 a.m. and II a.m. and such other times as the Superintendent of Play may direct.

Moved and carried that tan bark be placed under the gymnasium apparatus in the girl's section of the North Beach playground.

Moved and carried that the Secretary be empowered to secure the use of an automobile for Monday May Ist,I9II.

The applications of Miss Jacks,Miss Judd and Miss L.Burke were ordered filed.

Communication from the Mayor's Office concerning the annual convention of the Playground Association of America announced to take

place at Washington D.C., was refered to the Secretary with instructions to reply accordingly.

Bills amounting to $ II0I.20 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:I5 p.m.

Very truly yours,
Joseph K. Dickey
Secretary.

North Beach Playground

From May 1, 1910 to April 30, 1911.

Attendance and Games Report. Grounds opened April 25/1910

North Beach Playground.

Months	Attendance	Backs	Base	Basket	Other Games	Outside Games
May 1910	4990		60		145	11
June	5550		182	32	175	13
July Vacation	20,875		284	64	310	9
August	15,750	186	108	39	890	14
September	10,650	25	88	42	550	10
October	13,860	96	102	48	338	17
November	14,230	10	72	26	167	8
December Vacation	14,565		70	25	210	7
January 1911	5,710		23	10	48	2
February	9,101	21	43	44	142	17
March	10,320		20	34	164	8
April Vacation	18,575	41	210	15	318	25
Total	144,166	379	1182	382	3557	121
Monthly Av.	12,013	31	98	31	279	
Weekly .	3083	7	24	7	69	
Daily .	429	1	3	1	9	

Office of the Playground Commission
San Francisco May 11, 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White, John McLaren, John A. Hammersmith

Absent:- Commissioners, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, Henry J. McCoy, H. C. Vaughan

Meeting

There being no quorum the following resolutions were passed by those present subject to ratification at the next regular meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Moved and carried that L. J. Schantz be employed as director for the San Jose Avenue and 28th Street playground at a salary of $75.00 per month commencing May 15th 1911 and that Mrs. Isabelle Fleischer be transfered to the Madison playground to take effect at the same time.

Moved by Commissioner Hammersmith and seconded by Commissioner McLaren that the committee on parks apply to the Park Commissioners for the use of Bernal square for playground purposes and report at the next meeting.

Moved and carried that the committee on school play be eliminated from the list of committees in the Playground Commission.

Moved and carried that the bill presented by George T. Colmesnil amounting $180.00 for services in connection with the plans for the North Beach swimming tank house be not allowed but that the sum of $150.00 as originally voted for this work, be paid.

A reorganization of the various committees in the Commission as a result of J. C. Astredo's resignation resulted in the following appointments by the chair.

Finance: John A. Hammersmith, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, N. J. Prendergast, Henry J. McCoy

Play: N.J.Prendergast,John A.Hammersmith,Mrs.L.A.Hayward.

Grounds: N.J.Prendergast,John McLaren,H.G.Vaughan,H.J.McCoy.

Parks: H.J.MCoy,John McLaren,John A.Hammersmith,H.G.Vaughan.

Beautification: John McLaren,Mrs. L.A.Hayward,H.G.Vaughn, H.J.McCoy.

The Bills amounting to $ 1023.54 including salary demands for May , were ordered paid.

Joseph R. Hilsey

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
San Francisco May 25th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. ,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:-,	Commissioners,	Mrs.Lovell White Mrs.L.A.Hayward John Hammersmith.
Absent :-	Commissioners,	Henry J.McCoy John McLaren H.G.Vaughn

Meeting

There being no quorum,the following resolutions were passed subject to ratification at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

Moved and carried that the Secretary be instructed to communicate with the Park Commissioners and Commissioner Mclaren with reference to the acquisition of Lobos Square as an additional site for the Playground Commission.

Moved and carried that the Secretary inform Director Lundie of the North Beach Playground that the permanency of his position depended on his ability to carry out the ideas of the Commission and that he be requested to discontinue the political agitation as displayed in in the numerous communications received at this office.

Communication from J.C.Astredo with reference to the establishment of a playground on the lot at the corner of Pierce and Union streets was refered to the committee on grounds and the Secretary instructed to inform the writer that lack of funds prevented action at this time.

Communication from J.C.Astredo with reference to a playground on the site of the Spring Valley Water Company's lot in the vicinity of Du Boce Park was refered to the committee on grounds and the Secretary instructed to reply accordingly.

Communication from Commissioner Henry J.McCoy announcing his departure from the State for a period of several weeks.

Communication from the Board of Education with resolution to the Board of Supervisors requesting the exchange of the parental school lot for one of not less than equal siz e belonging to the Playground Commission at Seventh and Harrison streets.

The following committees were reorganized and appointed by the chair:-

Finance: John A.Hammersmith,Mrs.L.A.Hayward,N.J.Prendergast,Henry J.McCoy.

Play:- John A.Hammersmith,N.J.Prendergast,Mrs.L.A.Hayward.

Grounds:- John McLaren,N.J.Prendergast,H.C.Vaughan,H.J.McCoy.

Parks:- H.C.Vaughan,H.J.McCoy,John McLaren,John A.Hammersmith.

Beautification: Mrs.L.A.Hayward,John McLaren,H.J.McCoy and H.C.Vaughan.

Bills amounting to $ 494.68 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4 P.M.

Joseph R. Daisey

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
San Francisco June 8th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present :-	Commissioners,	Mrs.Lovell White Mrs.L.A.Hayward John A.Hammersmith N.J.Prendergast
Absent:-	Commissioners,	H.C.Vaughan John McLaren H.J.McCoy

Minutes

Moved and carried that the minutes of the previous meeting be ratified and approved as read.

Moved and carried that the request of the Board of Education for an exchange of properties in the interest of the Parental school at Seventh and Harrison streets be approved in a communication from the Playground Commission to the Board of Supervisors.

Moved and Carried that the Secretary advertise for 3,500 loads of loam ,more or less,to be delivered at Jackson Park, bids to be received at the meeting of June 22nd 1911.

Moved and carried that the representative of Crane Company be requested to appear at the next meeting of the Commission,with reference to the bill of $486.19 presented by that firm.

Moved and carried that Mr.Williamson present a written report at the next meeting of the negotiations relative to the construction of the swimming tank on the North Beach Playground as he understands the same.

Moved and carried that Mr.Williamson present a report to the Secretary for the finace committee including an estimate of expenditures for the ensuing year .

Moved and carried that type written reports of the estimate be forwarded to the members of the finance committee and the Secretary authorized to incur this expense.

Moved and carried that the Secretary communicate with E.C.Bradley,General Manager Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company with reference to obtaining free service on the playgrounds.

Moved and carried that Director Daugherty be allowed the

amount of Ten Dollars to cover the cost of track meet on the Southside Playground .

Moved and carried that a letter of thanks be forwarded to the Board of Works with reference to the new sidewalks on the site of the North Beach playgrounds.

Moved and carried that Secretary have the location of the telephones in the Southside field house changed per the directions of Mr.Daugherty.

Mr.Schlitter's report on the playground conditions was heard and approved.

Miss Cerf appeared before the Commission as a representative of the National Educational Association,requesting that a programme be prepared by the Playground Commission for that occasion.

Bills to the amount of $ 1331.67 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph R. Whitney
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
San Francisco June22,1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair .

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.L.A.Hayward Mrs.Lovell White John A.Hammersmith W.J.Prendergast Henry J.McCoy John McLaren
Absent:-	Commissioner,	M.G.Vaughan

Minutes

Moved and carried that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as read.

Crane Company's bill for $486.19 was presented by the representative of that firm,Mr.Flood who stated that the amount covered work actually done in connection with the apparatus on the Southside playground.A statement of the facts indicated that poor working plans had been used and it was suggested by Commissioner Prendergast that the total amount of the bill be allowed as presented .

The remaining members of the Commission believed that the amount was excessive and it was moved and carried that Crane Company be requested to reduce the amount $100.00.Commissioner Prendergast voted "No".

In reply to City Engineer Manson's communication with reference to the charge for the work performed on swimming tank at the North Beach Playgrounds ,the Secretary was instructed refer the matter to President Casey of the Board of Public Works for adjustment.

Moved and carried that the communication from the Park Commissioners including resolution with reference to the transfer of the Westerly half of Hamilton Square to the Playground Commission be acknowledged with thanks.

Moved and carried that the matter of obtaining tan bark for the playgrounds be posponed until the next meeting.

Moved and carried that Mr.Williamson's report on the expenditures for the fiscal year 1911-12 be accepted and refered to the finace committee.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors in which the appropriation to the Playground Commission for the fiscal year 1911-12 is announced as $75,000 of which $21,000 is set aside for the purchase ofa site in the Excelsior Homestead district was ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors in which the exchange of properties at Seventh and Harrison streets as requested by this Commission and the Board of Education is approved by resolution was ordered filed.

Communication from the Mission Promotion Association advising that a committee consisting of the Rev.D.O.Crowley,chairman,had been appoint-ed to assist in arranging the Independenec Day exercises in Mission Park was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the same accordingly.

Communication from the National Educational Association,Mrs.E.L. Baldwin chairman of hospitality committee,with reference to proposed entertainment and directions for reaching the playgrounds during the convention,was refered to the Secretary to reply.

Report of the Supervisor of Play ,Mr.Schlitter for the period of June 8th to June 22nd was acknowledged and ordered filed.

Report of the Superintendent,Mr.Williamson with reference to the matter of the swimming tank on the North Beach playgrounds as concerned in the final payment to the contractor was ordered filed.

Moved and carried that the substitute programme offered by Mr.Schlitter whereby each of the play directors be allowed a day off each week and an additional director employed during the school vacation period ,was adopted.

Moved and carried that Commissioner Hayward be allowed the amount of $10.00 per month for expenditures on the playgrounds as in her judgement are needed.

Moved and carried that the proposed grass plots surrounding the sidewalks of the North Beach Playground be improved as soon as possible.

Commissioner Prendergast reported that he had negotiated the loan of a lot at Valencia,Army and Mission streets to be used as a playground in that neighborhood .The matter was further refered to Mr.Schlitter for action.

The Secretary was instructed to secure the use of an automobile for the members of the Commission on the Fourth of July.

Moved and carried that the City Engineer be requested to set the grade stakes on Jackson Park.

Bids for the delivery of 2,500 cubic yards of loam at Jackson Park per advertisment were received as follows:

Symon Bros.	$ 1.30 per cubic yard
G.Graham	1.25 per cubic yard
J.D.Hartnett	.80 per cubic yard

Moved and carried that J.D.Hartnett be awarded the contract to deliver 2,500 cubic yards of loam,more or less,to the site of Jackson Park.

Moved and carried that a special meeting of the Playground Commissione be held on Thursday June 29th.

Bills amounting to $ 430.55 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Joseph R. Whitney
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission

San Francisco June 29th 1911.

Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President MRS. LOVELL WHITE in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. L. A. Hayward
Mrs. Lovell White
John Hammersmith
M. J. Prendergast
Henry J. McCoy
H. C. Vaughan

Absent:- Commissioner, John McLaren

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Representatives of the Excelsior Homstead District, Messrs. Henry and Warren appeared before the Commission with set of resolutions advocating the purchase of the proposed site in that district for a playground, at a cost of $ 21,000.

Moved and carried that a vote of thanks be tendered the delegates.

Moved and carried that the matter of a bath house for the tanks on the North Beach playground be indefinitely posponed and the same be covered until further action is taken.

Moved and carried that tank bark for the various playgrounds be purchased as offerd in the proposal from S. M. Frank & Co., at Redwood City.

Commissioner Vaughan enlightened the Commission as to the probable cost of drinking fountains refering to the type as purchased by the Board of Education from Whitman-Lyman Company.

Communication from J. McEwen of 475 Pine Street relative to a proposed site for a playground at Pierce and Union streets was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to reply accordingly.

Mr. Cress Cannon appeared before the Commission relative to the site of the former California Women's Hospital being improved as a playground. The representative was informed that the location would be considered in the final distribution of funds appropriated to the Playground Commission for the fiscal year and a vote of thanks tendered for his interest in the matter .

Commissioner Hammersmith offered the report of the finance

including a list of proposed expenditures and salaries for the fiscal year 1911-12.

Moved and carried that the Commission meet in executive session to consider the report of the finance committee.

Moved and carried that the prevailing salary schedule be adhered to and that J. E. Williamson's services be dispensed with. Commissioners White, Hammersmith, Vaughan and Prendergast voting in favor of the resolution. Commissioners McCoy and Hayward opposed.

J. E. Williamson was called and informed that the Commission did not see its way clear to increase his salary from $125 per month to $150 per month. Williamson informed the Commission that he anticipated this raise and expected the same .

Moved and carried that J. E. Williamson's services be dispensed and that his resignation be requested to take effect August 1, 1911. Commissioners Hammersmith, Vaughan and Prendergast voting in favor of the resolution and Commissioners McCoy and Hayward opposed. Commissioner White did not vote.

Moved and carried that the report of the finance committee be accepted as amended.

Moved and carried that the Commission meet in regular session Thursday July 6 1911.

Moved and carried that bills amounting to $41.52 be paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, July 6th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White
Mrs. L. A. Hayward
John McNaren
John A. Hammersmith
M. J. Prendergast
H. J. McCoy
H. G. Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

Application from Jas. J. Frappier for the position of Superintendent was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to request the presence of the applicant at the next meeting.

Communication from the Board of Public Works including facts concerning the claim of $1,042.13 by William Bruce for extra work on the swimming tank at the North Beach Playground.

Moved and carried that the matter be refered to the finance committee for adjustment, the same to be reported at the next meeting.

Mr. Bruce the contractor in question appeared before the Commission and stated his position in the matter.

Report of Mr Schlitter, Supervisor of Play, for the month of June was approved and ordered filed.

Communication from from the Young Mens Christian Association of Oklahoma for facts relative to the local playground situation, was refered to the Secretary to reply accordingly.

Moved and carried that the minutes of the meeting held June 29th 1911 be amended as follows:

That J. E. Williamson's resignation as Superintendent be accepted to take effect August 1st 1911.

Communication from the National Playground Association in which reference is made to the recent donation of a playground to Chico by Mrs. A. E. K. Bidwell.

Moved and carried that the gift of this party be commended and that notice of the same be forwarded to the donor.

Moved and carried that the playground directors and others who assisted in the recent Independence Day celebration, be extended a vote of thanks and the Secretary instructed to inform them to that effect.

Moved and carried that the site of Jackson Park be completed as a playground, as per estimate. Commissioner Prendergast opposed.

Moved and carried that any surplus over the Jackson Park estimate be applied to the improvement of Hamilton Square.

Moved and carried that the Secretary communicate with the Fillmore Street Improvement Association with reference to the changes in Hamilton Square, and that an appointment be made with that organization for a meeting with the Commission's committee.

Commissioner Mrs. Lovell White was appointed a committee of one to investigate the matter of a mothers' club in the vicinity of the North Beach Playground to report at the next meeting.

Moved and carried that the Supervisor of Play secure an estimate of the apparatus to be placed in Hamilton Square.

Moved and carried that the plans for Jackson Park as drawn by Mr. Schlitter be adopted and blue prints of the same be made and kept in this office.

Moved and carried that blue prints and specifications for the water system at Jackson Park be secured and the proposal for the furnishing and laying the pipe be announced in the usual manner.

Moved and carried that the City Architect be requested to prepare

plans and estimate for the field house at Jackson Park.

Moved and carried that the services of Officer Livingstone on the Southside Playground be dispensed and the Chief of Police notified accordingly. The Commission further commends the attitude of Officer Krueger on the beat for his attention to the playground.

Moved and carried that A.Ross, caretaker on the Southside playground be transfered to Madison Playground.

Moved and carried that J.McKeown at the Madison playground be transfered to the Southside playground.

Moved and carried that E.Breitenstein be transfered from the Southside playground to the Jackson Park.

Moved and carried that J.Cline be transfered to the Southside playground.

Moved and carried that no further baseball dates for adults to play baseball on the local playgrounds, be scheduled, and that the oppertunity be restricted to children under fourteen years. Every precaution to protect the small children from indiscriminate ball playing is urged.

Moved and carried that bills amounting to $795.83 be paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Joseph K Hunter

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission.
July 15th 1911.

Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.Lovell White Mrs.L.A.Hayward Henry J.McCoy John Hammersmith N.J.Prendergast H.C.Vaughan
Absent:-	Commissioner,	John McLaren

Minutes.

Moved and carried that James J.Frappier be employed by the Commission as Superintendent of Construction at a salary of $125.00 per month, commencing July 15th 1911.

Moved and carried that a corrected plan of the proposed field house for the Jackson Park playground be presented at the next meeting of the Commission, the same to show more floor space for the auditorium to be included in this structure.

Moved and carried that the Superintendent J.E.Williamson, proceed with the extension of water pipes to the grass borders at the North Beach playground.

Moved and carried that sufficient number of trees to surround the North Beach playground be placed as originally planned.

Moved and carried that the Superintendent proceed with the staining of doors and interior of field house at the Madison playgrouns

Moved and carried that the Superintendent complete the surface of the basketball court at Southside as per estimate.

Salary demands for the month of July 1911 to the amount of $1440.00 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Joseph L. Hickey

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission.
July 20th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present :- Commissioners, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, Mrs. Lovell White, John McLaren, John Hammersmith, W. J. Prendergast, W. C. Vaughan

Absent :- Commissioner, Henry J. McCoy

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Moved and carried that the matter of locating the field house at Jackson Park be refered to the Grounds Committee.

Moved and carried that the claim of William Bruce for the balance due on the North Beach swimming tank, be refered to the Finance Committee.

Moved and carried that the request of the Board of Education for the temporary use of a part of Hamilton Square on which to place the Girls' High School be granted. It is further understood, that none of the trees shall be disturbed and that the ground shall be restored to its original condition.

Moved and carried that the claim of Crane Company for $477.48 being the balance due for erecting gymnasium apparatus be paid. It is the sense of this Commission however that this amount is excessive.

Moved and carried that the order for drinking fountains with Crane Company,be canceled.

Moved and carried that John Kitchen & Co., be authorized to proceed with the printing of a report for the Playground Commission.

Moved and carried that the claim of $82.00 due the Western Development Syndicate ,be paid .

Moved and carried that the Supervisor of Play proceed to arrange the play directors vacations as suggested in his report.

The Supervisor of Play was authorized to assist in the celebration of the San Francisco Turn Verein on the occasion of that organization opening its new building.

Communication from Miss Julia Coffey of the Potrero School with refsrence to Jackson Park was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the same.

Application of Miss Ruth Duncan to do volunteer work on the playgrounds was acknowledged .On recommendation of the Supervisor of Play,Miss Duncan was granted this request.

Bills to the amount of $306.94 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
August 3,1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward, Mrs.Lovell White, John McLaren, John Hammersmith, Henry J.McCoy

Absent:- Commissioners, M.J.Prendergast, M.C.Vaughn

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Communication from the Board of Education acknowledging the privilege granted by the Playground Commission in extending the use of Hamilton Square for a temporary site of the girls' high school,was ordered filed.

Communication from Playground Directors,the Misses Burrell, Hayward and Fleischer requesting one holiday each week,was on motion made and carried,refered to a committee consisting of the Secretary and Commissioner Hayward,to report at the next meeting.

Communication from the Stanley J.Fay including estimates as to the cost of placing tennis courts at Southside and Hamilton Square was refered to the chairman of the grounds committee.

Application of Miss Ynid Rose Ostrom was ordered filed and the secretary instructed to acknowledge the same .

Report of the Supervisor of Play ,George Schlitter,including record of attendance for the month of July was acknowledged and ordered filed.

Moved and carried that the matter of allowing the janitors on the various playgrounds,an entire holiday each week,be refered to the Superintendent for regulation.

Moved and carried that the claim of William Bruce for $1042.13 ,covering extra work on the North Beach swimming tank, be paid.

Moved and carried that Hamilton Suare be improved to the extent of available funds.

Moved and carried that plans for Hamilton Square improvements be submitted at the next meeting of the Commission.

Moved and carried that the resolution recently passed by the Commission prohibiting adults playing ball on the playgrounds , be rescinded and that the directors use every precaution to guard the smaller children during the time when these games are taking place .

Moved and carried that screens and seats be placed around the diamond at North Beach.

Moved and carried that the Madison playground be opened in the forenoon for the small children.

Moved and carried that following the request of the people in the vicinity,that the Madison playground be hereafter known as the Pacific Weights playground.

Motion to place a sign to that effect on the gateway was lost

Moved and carried that the Supterintendent be allowed to expend the amount of $45.00 per month for the hire of horse and buggy.

Moved and carried that the matter of removing concrete wall on the California site be refered to the Superintendent and the chairman of the grounds committee.

Moved and carried that plans for the field house at Jackson as submitted by the City Architect be adopted.

Moved and carried that the Superintendent proceed with the necessary repairs on the playgrounds and alterations.

Bills to the amount of $2933.94 were ordered paid.

the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Joseph B Hilley
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
August I7th I9II.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. L. A. Hayward, John Hammersmith, W. J. Prendergast, H. J. McCoy

Absent:- Commissioners, H. G. Vaughan, John McLaren

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Communication from Mrs. A. E. K. Bidwell of Chico acknowledging resolution from this Commission in which her recent gift of a playground is commended.

Communication from the Ocean View Improvement Club requesting the improvement of the former Sheridan school site as a playground was refered to the Secretary to reply that there was no appropriation for this work at the present time.

Communication from the Independence Day Committee in which appreciation of this Commission's assistance on that occasion was ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors requesting photographs of the playgrounds to be used at the municipal congress at Chicago on September I8-30 was refered to the Secretary with instructions to supply the same.

Communication from the Los Angeles playground department relative to the salary schedule in that department was ordered filed.

Report of the Supervisor of Play, George A. Schlitter, for the period of August 3-I7 was approved and ordered filed.

Moved and carried that the Board of Education be notified that no action be taken in the matter of occupying Hamilton Square with the Girls' High School until further consideration by the Playground Commission.

Moved and carried that the Secretary advertise for bids to supply the water pipe system for the Jackson Park playground and to construct the field house on the same as per plans and specifications.

Moved and carried that the Secretary arrange a conference with the Park Commission with reference to Hamilton Square. A committee consisting of Commissioners Hammersmith, Prendergast and Hayward was appointed by the Chair for this purpose.

Moved and carried that the Board of Supervisors be requested to make an appropriation of $5000.00 for the improvement of Hamilton Square as a playground.

Moved and carried that the playground directors, men and women, be allowed two days off each month, the holidays not to be Sundays however. The supervisor of play is authorized to arrange the schedule.

Moved and carried that the Chief of Police be requested to assist in preventing the commission of nuisances on the North Beach playground after dark.

Moved and carried that the combination basketball and tennis court on the Southside playground be constructed per estimate of Stanley Fay-size 50 X I00 feet.

Moved and carried that the unoccupied buildings on the Southside playgrounds be auctioned by the Mayor.

Moved and carried that the plans for Hamilton Square as submitted by Mr. Schlitter be approved.

Moved and carried that the tennis court at Hamilton Square be moved and reconstructed with a surface of one and a half inches of asphalt per agreement with the Park Commission.

Moved and carried that drinking fountains the same as used by the Board of Education, be placed on the playgrounds under the direction of the Superintendent.

Bills to the amount of $2355.68 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission.
August 26th 1911.

Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m., Commissioner H.G.Vaughan acting chairman in the absence of President Mrs.Lovell White.

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.L.A.Hayward M.J.Prendergast John A.Hammersmith H.G.Vaughan John McLaren
Absent:-	Commissioners,	H.J.McCoy Mrs.Lovell White

Minutes

Moved and carried that all bids offered to construct the water system on the Jackson Park playground, be rejected.

Moved and carried that the water system on the Jackson Park playground be installed by the Superintendent and that estimates covering the cost of the water pipe be secured from reputable firms.

Moved and carried that an additional amount of tan bark be ordered by the Secretary at the extra cost of eighteen cents per ton.

Moved and carried that the Board of Education be granted the use of the Hamilton Square site for the temporary Girls' High School only as originally agreed and that said Board of Education make such necessary repairs following the removal of the temporary structure.

Commissioner McLaren informed the Commission that one

hundred sacks of Monterey sand had been offered the Playground Commission without cost.The Superintendent was authorized to haul the same at the expense of the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at I2 a.m..

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin streets.
August 3Ist,I9II.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
John A.Wardersmith
Henry J.McCoy

Absent:- Commissioners, M.J.Prendergast
John McLaren
M.C.Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication form the Cheif of Police relative to conditions on the North Beach playground was ordered filed .

Communication from William H.Metson of the Park Commission stating the rights of that department in the matter of granting a section of Hamilton Square for the temporary use of the Girls' High School was acknowleiged .

Communication from Mr.Cress Cannon inquiring as to the probability of completing the former California Women's Hospital site as a playground was acknowledged and the Secretary instructed to reply accordingly.

The Supervisor of Play ,Mr.George Cohlitter reported on

the condition of the grounds, including a recommendation that a director of play be placed at Hamilton Square .

Moved and Carried that Miss Lenor Burke be placed in charge of the Hamilton Square playground and that Mr.Schlitter choose a substitute from the volunteer workers to be employed on such days when the regular directors are away.

Moved and carried that the matter of the janitor on the Presidio Heights playground as effected the position of Mr.A.Ross be refered to the Superintendent.

Moved and carried that five sanitary drinking fountains similar to the sample submitted by Crane Company be purchased by the Superintendent.Two fountains are to be placed at Southside, two at North Beach and one at the Presidio Heights playground.

Moved and carried that the Secretary make arrangements for the use of an automobile by the Playground Commission on the third Saturday of each month.

Moved and carried that the Superintendent purchase sand as necessary for the sand boxes on the various playgrounds.

Moved and carried that the Secretary arrange an agreement with the Board of Education relative to the alterations at Hamilton Square as necessitated by the location of the Girls' High School building on the same.

Moved and carried that the demand of $105.00 by the Insurance and Guaranty Company for services in connection with the Excelsior Homestead purchase, be refered to the Board of Supervisors.

Bills and demands amounting to $23,190.00 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin streets
September 7th 1911.

Special Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m. Commissioner John A.Hammersmith in the chair in the absence of President Mrs.Lovell White.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, N.J.Prendergast
John A.Hammersmith
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
M.G.Vaughan

Absent:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
M.J.McCoy
John McLaren

Minutes

Bids for the construction of the field house at Jackson Park as per plans and specifications were received as follows:

Heckenroth and Schell	$ 8419.00
James McSheehy	8742.00
D.J.Duffy	8961.00
William Bruce	10683.00

Moved and carried that the contract for the construction of the field house at Jackson Park be awarded to the lowest bidder, Heckenroth and Schell, for the sum of $8419.00.

Moved and carried that the Secretary advertise for bids to construct the concrete coping at the Jackson Park

playground.

Moved and carried that the Superintendent secure estimates for painting the field house at Jackson Park and plumbing for the same .

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.M.

Joseph P. Whitney

Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, Sept. 14th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White
Mrs. L. A. Hayward
John A. Hammersmith
W. J. Prendergast

Absent:- Commissioners, John McLaren
Henry J. McCoy
H. C. Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication, from the Board of Supervisors including resolution authorizing the Mayor to sell at public auction the unoccupied buildings at Seventh and Harrison streets.

Communication from the Peralta Heights Improvement Club requesting the establishing of a playground in the vicinity of Precita Valley or Peralta Heights was refered to the Secretary to reply accordingly, that there are not sufficient funds for this undertaking.

Communication from the Playground Association of Chicago requesting an exhibit to be used at the International Municipal Congress. Secretary instructed to reply.

Report from Mr. George Schlitter, Supervisor of play was approved.

Application from Miss Virginia Idso of Los Angeles was

ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to reply that there were no vacancies at the present time.

Application from Eugene J.Richards desiring to do volunteer work on the play grounds.Upon the reccomendation of Mr.Schlitter this request was granted.

Committee represented by Mrs M.J.Brandenstein appeared before the Commission with reference to obtaining a playground in the vicinity of San Bruno Ave .The delegates were informed that the Commission would visit the proposed sites on Saturday September 16 and informed the petitioners accordingly.

Commissioners Hammersmith and Prendergast were appointed a committee to interview the Mayor with reference to the demands from the Board of Public Works in the matter of paying for plans and specifications developed for the Commission.

The Superintendent was instructed to construct a wire fence around the new tennis court at Seventh and Harrison streets.

The Superintendent was requested to secure estimates for the installation of a pump in connection with the North Beach swimming tank and a fence to surround the latter.

The Superintendent was further instructed to secure an estimate for erecting a fence arround the Hamilton Square playground.

Bills to the amount of $4529.07 were ordered paid.

Joseph V. Tilney
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, Sept. 21, 1911.

Special Meeting

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., president Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs. Lovell White M.J. Prendergast John A. Hammersmith M.J. McCoy John McLaren
Absent:-	Commissioners,	H.C. Vaughan Mrs. L. A. Hayward

Minutes

Proposals to construct a concrete coping on the Jackson Park playground, were received as follows:

D.C. McCabe	$ 2950.00
Willis A. Clarke	$ 2715.00
McGheehy Bros.	$ 2592.00

Moved and carried that McGheehy Bros., be awarded the contract to construct the proposed coping on Jackson Park for the sum of $ 2592.00

Proposals to erect an iron fence to top the coping on the Jackson Park playground, were received as follows:

Acme Iron Works	$ 3100.00
Ralston Iron Works	$ 2798.00
Dyer Bros.	$ 2475.00

Brede Iron Works $ 2150.00

Monarch Iron Works $ 1990.00

Moved and carried that the contract to erect an iron fence to the coping on the Jackson Park playground be awarded to the Monarch Iron Works for the sum $1990.00

Moved and carried that the chair appoint a committee to devise ways and means for the obtaining of additional playgrounds.

Committee:Commissioners McLaren,Hammersmith and Prendergast and the Secretary.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Joseph R. Shirley

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission, September 28th '11

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., president Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White
Mrs. L. A. Maynard
W. J. Prendergast
M. J. McCoy
John A. Hammersmith

Absent:- Commissioners, M. C. Vaughan
John McLaren

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings on September 14th and the special meeting on September 21st were read and approved.

J. C. Astredo, Chief Probation Officer appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Chinese children recommending that the Playground Commission apply to the Park Commission for the use of a portion of Portsmouth Square, to be used as a playground.

Moved and carried that the matter be refered to the Secretary to communicate with the Park Commission.

Mr. Astredo also inquired as to the probability of completing and operating the swimming tanks on the North Beach playground. The Commission reported that owing to a lack of funds it could not consider further developments on the tank at this time.

Communication from the South Central Improvement Club

requesting a playground in the vicinity of Seventh and Fourteenth streets was refered to the Secretary to reply that this request could not be considered because of insufficient funds.

Moved and carried that design for the iron fence at the Jackson Park playground as offered by the Monarch Iron Works be accepted.

Moved and carried that McSheehy Bros., construct the gate posts on the Jackson Park playground for the sum of $ 162.00 as per plans and specifications.

Moved and carried that the matter of the plumbing in the field house at Jackson Park be refered to the Secretary to investigate the matter of contract. The following offers to do this work were received.

Pittman Lyman & Co.	$ 1535.00
Alex Coleman	$ 1498.00
Ahlbach & Mayer	$ 1474.00

The Superintendent was instructed to proceed with the completion of the slide at Hamilton Square.

Bills and demands to the amount of $ 3050.00 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4 P.M.

Joseph R. McKelvey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, Oct. 13, 1911

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 10 O'Clock A.M., President Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. Lovell White, Mrs. L. A. Maynard, Henry J. McCoy, M. J. Brenlerguet

Absent:- Commissioners, John A. Hammersmith, John McLaren, H. C. Vaughan

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from Miss Bessie Stoddart, Secretary, Playground Department of Los Angeles, announcing the date of the Playground and Recreation Institute and requesting a representation from this Commission, was ordered filed.

Moved and carried that the Secretary of the Playground Commission be delegated to represent this Commission at the convention in Los Angeles on November 1, 2, 3, 4, 1911, expenses to be paid by this office. It is further urged that other members of the Commission appear at the Playground and Recreation Institute if possible.

Moved and carried that the Secretary extend an invitation to the delegates of the Playground and Recreation Institute at Los Angeles to attend a similar meeting in this city, one year hence.

Moved and carried that the Monarch Iron Works be authorized to proceed with the construction of the iron gates for the Jackson

Playground as per design submitted in drawing "A",for the sum of $270.00.

Moved and carried that a communication be sent to the Directors of the Pacific Union Club requesting a consideration of a proposed playground on the site of the former Collis P. Huntington residence at California and Taylor streets and that the Secretary prepare a set of resolutions to be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the owners suggesting the appropriation of this lot for a public playground.

Application from George Kennard with endorsements,for the position of Superintendent on the Jackson Park Playground was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to reply accordingly.

Moved and carried that the position of Superintendent of Construction be abolished and that the services of James J.Frappier be dispensed with,the same to take effect on November Ist 1911.The Commission approves this change in view of the limited funds at the disposal of the department and the necessity of economy in the matter of salaries.

Moved and carried that the Secretary and the Supervisor of Play assume the duties of the former Superintendent,commencing November Ist 1911.

Moved and carried that the salary of the Secretary and the Supervisor of Play be increased $25.00 per month,commencing November Ist 1911.

Moved and carried that the expense of buggy hire now incurred by the Commission,be terminated on November Ist 1911.

Bills to the amount of $900.48 were ordered paid.

Joseph Kirby
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission,October 26th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Henry J.McCoy
M.J.Prendergast
John Warrensmith

Absent:- Commissioners, John McLaren
H.C.Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Park Commission with reference to the request that Portsmouth Square be considered as a prospective playground site was ordered filed.

Communication from the Foresters of America protesting the use of any portion of Portsmouth Square as a playground, was acknowledged.

Moved and carried that the Commission continue in executive session.

Moved and carried that the services of James J.Frappier as superintendent of construction ,be continued until December Ist 1911.

Moved and carried that the demand of $125.00 from the Board of Works for draughtsman's fee in connection with the Jackson Park plans be allowed.

Moved and carried that the Superintendent communicate

with the necessary authorities relative to the cleaning of the North Beach Swimming Tank and direct the filling of the same with clean water.

Moved and carried that Chief Engineer Murphy of the Fire Department be informed as to the hours designated for the use of the department members on the playgrounds and that the same be not abused.

Miss Gertrude Judd appeared before the Commission relative to her request for a position as a playground director.Mr.Schlitter stated to the Commission that there was no opportunity for Miss Judd in the department.

Moved and carried that the Secretary inform Miss Judd accordingly.

Bills to the amount of $ 8026.28 were ordered paid.

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
November 9th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
John A.Hamersmith
John Mclaren
M.J.Brenniergast
Henry J.McCoy
T.C.Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Park Commission disapproving a consideration of Portsmouth Square or any part thereof for a playground, was ordered filed.

Application from Charles Allen Burkette for position as athletic director on the Jackson Park playground was ordered filed.

Communication from Ahlbach & Mayer with reference to installing Humhrey Automatic Gas Heater in the Field House at the Jackson Park playground for an additional cost of $ 85.00,was refered to the Building Committee with power to act and report at the next meeting.

Moved and carried that the request of Mrs.I.Fleischer Director on the Presidio Heights grounds ,for a light in the field house,be refered to the Building Committee.

Moved and carried that the request of Mrs.I.Fleischer for three days pay during which time she remained away from the grounds in addition to her vacation period,be not allowed.

Moved and carried that a fence of sufficient size and strength be constructed at the Hamilton Square playground and that the same be arranged to protect the grass borders.

Moved and carried that incidental expenses of Director Daugherty on the Southside Playground in connection with the recent Halloween celebration be allowed.

Moved and carried that the inquiry as to the necessity of retaining Director L.J.Schantz on the Hamilton playground,be refered to the Committee on Play, to report at the next meeting.

Moved and carried that the advisability of continuing with Miss F.Burrell as a director on the Southside playground, be refered to the Committee on Play,to report at the next meeting.

Moved and carried that the Playground Commission make application to the Park Commission for the jurisdiction of Bernal Square,the same to be used as a playground.

Moved and carried that the apparatus taken from the 28th & San Jose Avenue ground be used at Hamilton Square as far as possible.

A committee consisting of Commissioners Hammersmith, Prendergast and Hayward was appointed by the Chair to interview the Chinese Consul,with reference a playground in the Chinese quarters.

Moved and carried that Commissioner Hayward be allowed the expenditure of $10.00 for incidentals at the Southside Playground.

Bills to the amount of $3100.43 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
November 23,1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m.,President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.Lovell White
Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Henry J.McCoy
John A.Hammersmith
M.J.Prendergast
M.C.Vaughan

Absent:- Commissioner, John McLaren

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Board of Education placing the handball court in the Frank McCoppin school at the disposal of the Playground Commission was refered to the grounds committee.

Communication from Miss Florence Burrell resigning as director of girls on the Southside Playground was accepted with regrets and ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors requesting that the expenditures of the Playground Commission shall not exceed the net appropriation of $34,000.00,was

ordered filed and the Secretary directed to inform the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors,that, although the present expenses were heavy,there would be no deficit.

Communication from the Social Science Department of the California Club endorsing the petition of the children of the Hayes Valley district for a playground, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the same.

Communication from Mrs.E.B.Iredale ,Principal of the Visatacion School,requesting the assistance of the Playground Commission in that district was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply that owing to the lack of funds nothing could be done at this time.

Moved and carried that the janitor at the North Beach playground direct the change of water in the swimming tanks at least once a month.

Moved and carried that the report of the special committee to the Chinese Consul be accepted.

Moved and carried that the matter of cinders for the running track at Jackson Park be refered to the grounds committee,to report at the next meeting.

Moved and carried that a vote of thanks be forwarded to the Western Fuel Company for the offer of cinders for the Jackson Park playground.

Moved and carried that a temporary slide with liquid stone surface be erected at Hamilton Square,

Commissioner Hammersmith reported that members of the Grand Jury and the Chamber of Commerce had visited the playgrounds since the last meeting.

Report of Supervisor of Play ,George Schlitter including recommendation that Miss Ruth Duncan be appointed to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Miss Florence Turrell was accepted.

The request of Commissioner Vaughan that the Board of Education be given additional space for the Girls High School at Hamilton Square was refered to Commissioners Hayward and Prendergast.

Motion to continue with the services of James J.Frappier as Superintendent until the first of the year,was lost, Commissioners Prendergast,Hammersmith and Vaughan voting for the motion and Commissioners White,Hayward and McCoy opposed.

Moved and carried that a copy of resolutions offered by Commissioner Hayward with reference to the use of Board of Education's automobile be forwarded to the Board of Education with the request that only an official request for the use of the automobile be hereafter considered.

Bills to the amount of $ 6683.87,were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Joseph A. Conley
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
December 7th 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs. Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. L. A. Hayward
Mrs. Lovell White
John A. Hammersmith
Henry J. McCoy

Absent:- Commissioners, M. J. Prendergast
John McLaren
M. C. Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Peralta Heights Improvement Club protesting the establishment of a playground in Bernal Square and recommending a site at Potrero Avenue and 25th Street was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply accordingly.

Report from Supervisor of Play, George Schlitter, covering activities on the playgrounds and recommending repairs, was approved and ordered filed.

Henry Payot of the Board of Education appeared before the Commission suggesting that an application be made for the use of the present Girls High School building when the same is vacated to occupy the new structure.

At the suggestion of Supervisor of Play, George Schlitter it was regularly moved and carried that the Playground Commission request the use of the auditorium of the Girls High School building during the rainy period, to further the operations for the children of the Hamilton playground.

The Secretary was directed to inform the Board of Education that the use of the handball court at the Frank McCoppin school by the Playground Commission was not practical at this time.

Bills to the amount of $1554.57 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
December 21st 1911.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White
Henry J.McCoy
John McLaren

Absent :- Commissioners, John A.Hammersmith
M.J.Prendergast
H. C. Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Report of the Supervisor of Play, George A.Schlitter was read and approved.

Moved and carried that the matter of covering the gutters of the Girls High School at Hamilton Square to protect the same from flying balls off the playground, be taken up with the Board of Education with a request that the same be attended to as soon as possible.

Mrs.Mann, Principal of the Hawthorne School appeared before the Commission with a request that a lot in the vicinity of the school be improved as a playground.

Moved and carried that the request of Mrs.Mann be considered at a later date.

Salary and labor demands to the amount of $1977.00 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M. Jas. P. Kelly Sec.

Office of the Playground Commission
January 4th 1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2 o'clock p.m., President Mrs.Lovell White in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.L.A.Hayward
Mrs.Lovell White
Henry J.McCoy
John A.Hammersmith
M.J.Prendergast

Absent:- Commissioners, John McLaren
H.C.Vaughan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Report of Supervisor of Play, George Schlitter covering play activities and construction on the various grounds, was read and approved.

Communication from the Spring Valley Water Company stating that a meter rate had been established at Hamilton Square, was ordered filed.

Communication from Angus Ross former employee, asking for a position, was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to reply accordingly.

This being the final meeting of the present Playground Commissioners, it was regularly moved and carried that a vote of thanks be extended to the employees of the department, in appreciation of their services.

Bills to the amount of $1148.19 were ordered paid and the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
Fine and Larkin Streets,
January 11th 1912.

Meeting

The Playground Commission met this day, January 11th 1912, in the rooms of the Board of Education, Fine and Larkin streets at 2:30 o'clock p.m.

It was announced that the Playground Commission, with the following personnel having been duly appointed and credentialed by his honor, James Rolph Jr., Mayor of San Francisco, would proceed to deliberate upon such matters coming within the scope of its official jurisdiction:

Mrs. M. S. Hayward
Miss Sarah J. Jones
Timothy A. Reardon
Marshal Hale
Rev. P. C. Crowley
John McLaren (ex-officio)
Dr. A. A. D'Ancona (ex-officio)

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs. M. S. Hayward Miss Sarah J. Jones Rev. P. C. Crowley Timothy A. Reardon John McLaren
Absent:-	Commissioners,	Dr. A. A. D'Ancona Marshal Hale

Regularly moved and carried that John McLaren be elected President of the Playground Commission, temporarily, until the return of Commissioner Marshal Hale, who is at present away from the city.

Regularly moved and carried that Joseph R.Hickey be elected to the position of Secretary,temporarily,until the return of Commissioner Marshal Hale.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Regularly moved and carried that a committee be appointed to inspect the improvements at the Jackson Park playground.President McLaren appointed,Commissioners Rev.D.O. Crowley,T.A.Reardon and Mrs.M.S.Hayward.

Regularly moved and carried that a committee be appointed to investigate the matter of obtaining an income from the buildings now leased by the City and County at the Seventh and Harrison streets property.President McLaren appointed,Commissioners T.A.Riordan,Rev.D.O.Crowley and Sarah J.Jones.

Communication from the Noe Valley Improvement Assn., petitioning for a playground in that district was refered to the Secretary,to reply that this matter would be given the earliest consideration.

Regularly moved and carried that demands for final payments on the field house and plumbing at Jackson Park be paid if an inpection on the part of the Playground Commission proved the work satisfactory.

Regularly moved and carried that the Playground Commission meet on alternate Thursdays at 3 o'clock,unless otherwise provided.

The Commission adjourned at 3:35 p.m,to visit Jackson Park and pass on the following demands:

Meckenroth and Scholl,final payment on the field house at Jackson Park: $ 3419.00

Meckenroth and Scholl,extras: 234.75

Ahlbach and Mayer,final payment on plumbing contract at the Jackson Park field house: 1559.00

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
Pine and Larkin Streets
January 18th 1913.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3 o'clock p.m.,Commissioner John McLaren,acting chairman.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Dr.A.A.D'Ancona, Rev.D.O.Crowley, T.A.Reardon, John McLaren, Mrs.L.A.Hayward, Sarah J.Jones

Absent:- Commissioner, Marshal Hale

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors with reference to the presentation of demands at the Clerk's office by noon on Friday for consideration on the following Monday; was ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors with reference to free telephone service for Municipal officers and employes was refered to Commissioner Mrs.M.S.Hayward and the Secretary to report at the next meeting.

Communication from Ahlbach and Meyer(plumbers) enclosing plumbers' certificate of inspection covering work done on the field house at Jackson Park,was ordered filed.

A committee representing the University Mound district, composed of Mrs.M.A.Brandenstein and Mrs.Rabbi Meyer appeared before the Commission to petition that a playground be established in the neighborhood of San Bruno Ave.The committee stated that a lot of sufficient size could be leased at a monthly rental of $40.00 of which the local improvement club would pay half.

Regularly moved and carried that the committee send all information covering this project to the Playground Commission by the time of the next meeting.

Regularly moved and carried that the Playground Commission proceed with the matter of permanent organization.

Regularly moved and carried that the resolution of the meeting on January IIth 1912,relative temporary organization until the return of Commissioner Marshal Hale,be rescinded.

Nominations being in order,it was moved by Commissioner T.A.Reardon and seconded by Commissioner Dr.A.A.D'Ancona that the Rev .D.O.Crowley be choosen to act as president for the ensuing year.There being no further nominations it was regularly moved and carried that the Secretary cast the ballot electing Commissioner Rev.D.O.Crowley to the office of President of the Playground Commission.

Regularly moved and carried that a vote of thanks be extended Commissioner John McLaren in recognition of his services as temporary chairman.

Communication from Miss Gertrude Judd applying for a position as Supervisor of Play was refered to the Secretary to reply that there are no vacancies in the department at this time and that the Commission cannot obligate itself as to the future.

Regularly moved and carried that a committee be appointed to investigate and take up the matter of a pump for the North Beach swimming tank,with the City and Engineer.The chair appointed Commissioners Mrs.M.S.Hayward and T.A.Reardon to report at the next meeting.

The committee was further Requested to investigate certain arrangements with reference to a bathing plant on the Southside

grounds.

Regularly moved and carried that the Board of Public Works direct the removal of debris from the sidewalk on Kearny street at the North Beach playground.

Regularly moved and carried that the Board of Public Works be requested to proceed with the repair of Seventeenth street and Carolina street sidewalks at the Jackson Park playground.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of George A.Schlitter,Supervisor of Play,covering the period from January 4th to January 18th,be accepted.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of Commissioner T.A.Reardon with reference to the rents of buildings at Southside be accepted.

Regularly moved and carried that a committee be appointed to request the Board of Supervisors for a transfer of rents collected at the Southside property,from the General Fund to the Playground Fund.The chair appointed Commissioners T.A.Reardon and Mrs.M.S.Hayward to report at the next meeting.

Salary and labor demands for the month of January amounting to $1554.75 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Joseph R. Thelan

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
February 1, 1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was Called to order at the hour of 3 o'clock p.m., President D.C. Crowley in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Rev. D.C. Crowley, T.A. Reardon, Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Sarah J. Jones

Absent:- Commissioners, John McLaren, Marshal Hale, Dr. A.A. D'Ancona

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Dorcas Society of Calvary Presbyterian Church with resolutions commending the efforts of the Playground Commission in the interest of the children, s health and happiness, was refered to the Secretary to reply.

Communication from the Hayes Valley Improvement Association, requesting the cooperation of the Playground Commission in a request to the Board of Supervisors for a playground site in the Hayes Valley district, was refered to the Secretary to reply. Commissioner T.A. Reardon offered to convey the Playground Comission's wish to the Hayes Valley Association, in an expression to assist the efforts of the

organization wherever possible.

Communication from David R. Rees, President of the Hayes Valley Improvement Association requesting a consideration of the association's request for a playground in that district was refered to the Secretary for acknowledgement.

Communication from Mrs. M.A. Meyer with reference to a proposed playground site on San Bruno Avenue and giving desired information as to size of lot etc., was refered to the Secretary to reply that nothing could be done in this matter owing to the lack of funds.

Communication from S.W. Frank & Co., of Redwood City offering to deliver to the Playground Commission sufficient tan bark at $1.53 per ton, was refered to the Secretary to reply that funds for this purpose are not available at this time.

Communication from the Auditor, City and County requesting the addresses of laborers formerly in the employ of the Comission, for whom demands are in his possession, was refered to the Secretary to investigate.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors, requesting a correct list of all buildings belong to the City and County and in the custody and under the control of this department, was refered to the Secretary to reply accordingly.

Application from Hilda Popper for position as playground director was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply that there are no vacancies in the department at this time.

Applications from Miss Gertrude Judd, Mr. J.D. London, John F. Bigman and William Bottrill were ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply that are no vacancies at this time.

Applications from Rose Ostrom and Catherine Bartlett for positions as playground directors were ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to reply as above.

Report of the Supervisor of Play ,George A.Schlitter, recommending the removal of toilet at the entrance to gymnasium on the Southside grounds;the exclusion of adults from the lavatories at Hamilton Square;and the repair of slide at the latter place,was accepted.

Miss Kate Ames representing the Women's Outdoor Club appeared before the Commission in a request for such assistance as the Playground Commission might offer to further the work of the organization.The Commission assured Miss Ames of such cooperation possible under the existing conditions.

The matter of ball playing on the California playground site as complained of to President Crowley was refered to Commissioner Reardon, who offered to take the matter up with the Chief of Police.

Regularly moved and carried that the following committees appointed by President Crowley be approved:

Finance Committee: T.A.Reardon,Dr.A.A.D'Ancona, Marshal Hale,Mrs.M.S.Hayward.

Grounds Committee: John McLaren,Rev.D.O.Crowley, T.A.Reardon.

Play Committee: Marshal Hale,Sarah J.Jones, Mrs.M.S.Hayward.

Beautification Committee:Sarah J.Jones,John McLaren, Mrs.M.S.Hayward.

Bills to the amount of $162.10 were refered to the Finance Committee and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Joseph R. Crowley

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
February 15th 1913.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3 o'clock p.m.,Commissioner T.A.Reardon in the chair owing to the absence of Rev.D.O. Crowley.

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs.L.A.Hayward Sarah J.Jones John McLaren T.A.Reardon Dr.A.A.D'Ancona
Absent:-	Commissioners,	Marshal Hale Rev.D.O.Crowley

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Playground and Recreation Assn., of America requesting the cooperation of the Playground Commission in assisting the reception of Gustavus Kirby at the ST.Francis Hotel on the afternoon of Saturday February 24th,was refered to the Secretary.

Regularly moved and carried that the Playground Commission invite the Board of Education and Park Commission to attend the above meeting.

Dr.A.A.D'Ancona offered several suggestions relative to the proposed extensive use of the school buildings,parks and playgrounds,further advocating the attendance of all interested parties at the meeting scheduled for Saturday

February 24th.

Communication from the Oakland Playground Department with reference to a request from the Playground and Recreation Association of America for a municipal appropriation and asking the opinion of this office ,was refered to the Secretary to reply that no such assistance had been subscribed from San Francisco.

Application from Miss Gladys Mann for position as playground director was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to reply that there are no vacancies in the department at this time.

Applications from Mrs. U.R.Boyd and Frances E.Ware as play director was refered to the Secretary to reply as above and the communication ordered filed.

Communication from Miss Lenor Burke girls director on the Hamilton Square playground,enclosing her resignation to take effect February 15th 1912,was accepted and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge the same.

Miss Gertrude Judd appeared before the Commission with endorsements for a position as playground supervisor.The same ordered filed and the applicant notfied that no further action would be taken in the matter of her application.

Commissioner Reardon reported that the City Engineer was preparing estimates for the pumping plant at the North Beach swimming tanks and that the same would soon be submitted to the Commission.The desire of the Hayes Valley Improvement Association for a playground in that vicinity was further voiced by Commissioner Reardon.

It was regularly moved and carried that the Secretary communicate with the Library Trustees in a request for the temporary use of the site at Hayes Street and Van Ness Avenue for playground purposes.

Professor Walker from the Polytechnic high school appeared before the Commission with plans for the proposed athletic stadium in Golden Gate Park on the site of the present nursery

and requested the endorsement of the Playground Commission.No action was taken in the matter,it being the sense of the Commission that the proposal was entirely within the power of the Park Commissioners.

The report of the Committee on Play,Commissioner Sarah J. Jones acting chairman,was accepted with the following recommendations:

That the vacancy at Hamilton Square created by the resignation of Lenor Burke be not filled at this time,the arrangement to continue until the beginning of the fiscal year 1912-1913.

That the salary of Director L.J.Schantz be increased to $100.00 per month beginning March 1 1912 and that he take entire charge of the Hamilton Square grounds.

That the services of Mrs.I.Fleischer,play director at the Presidio Heights playground be dispensed with February 29th 1912 and that Miss Grace Jacks,substitute worker be placed in charge of the Presidio Heights grounds,March 1st 1912.

That the adoption of Civil Service principles be followed in the present and future list of employees.

That the convention of the National Federation of Women's Clubs be the occasion of a special programme on July 4th 1912,on one of the playgrounds.

That completion of Jackson Park playground as soon as possible be given the immediate attention of the Commission.

Regularly moved and carried that the Park Commission be requested to appropriate 300 trees and shrubs from its surplus stock for use at the Jackson Park playground.

Regularly moved and carried that the Supervisor of Play, George A.Schlitter be directed to request the resignation of Mrs.I Fleischer to take effect February 29th 1912.

The report of the Supervisor of Play was accepted with the recommendation that an additional gate be constructed on the Geary street side of the Hamilton Square playground.

Salary demands for the month of February 1912 were

ordered paid to the amount of $1390.50.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Joseph R. Duffey

Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, February 15th '12.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3 o'clock p.m., President D.O. Crowley in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs. L.A. Hayward Sarah J. Jones T.A. Reardon Rev. D.O. Crowley John McLaren
Absent:-	Commissioners,	Dr. A.A. D'Ancona Marshal Hale

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication, from the Public Library Trustees, stating that the matter of temporarily occupying the site on Van Ness Avenue as a playground would be taken up at their meeting on March 5th 1912;

Communication, from the Park Commissioners stating the request of this Commission for trees and shrubs to be used in Jackson Park, was granted at a meeting of the Park Commission on February 10th.

Communication from the Mission Promotion Association requesting that the Playground Commission urge the proper authorities to develope the property adjoining the Agassiz school as a playground.

Communication from the Polk Street District Association

requesting the Playground Commission to establish a playground on the site of the former Spring Valley school at Broadway and Polk streets.

Communication including the resignation of Mrs.Isabelle Fleischer as play director on the Presidio Heights playground.

Petition from boys and girls in the vicinity of Harrison and 20th streets for a playground was presented by a committee from that district.The matter was refered to the Grounds Committee.

Petition from the children on the Presidio Heights playground relative to the retention of Mrs.Fleischer as play director was ordered filed.

Petition from Mr.A.W.Martin in the interest of Mrs.Fleischer as play director on the Presidio Heights playground was ordered filed.

Regularly moved and carried that the resignation of Mrs.Isabelle Fleischer as play director on the Presidio Heights playground be accepted to take effect,February 28th 1912.

A committee headed by Thomas F.Boyle appeared before the Commission in the interest of a playground for the district known as the Golden Gate Valley.A recommendation of proposed sites in this vicinity was refered to the Grounds Committee to report at the next meeting.

Regularly moved an carried that the petition from the boys and girls in the vicinity of Harrison and 20th Sts., be refered to the Grounds Committee.

Regularly moved and carried that a special meeting of the Finance Committee to consider the budget for 1912-13, be held in these rooms,Wednesday March 6th 1912,at 10 a.m.

Regularly moved and carried that a vote of thanks be extended the Park Commission for their consideration of a request to place trees and shrubs in Jackson Park.

Regularly moved and carried that the use of the playgrounds for tests under the auspices of the Civil Service

be granted on days other than Saturday,Sunday and holidays, provided any disarrangement or damage be repaired at the expense of the Civil Service Commission.It is further resolved that the permission of the Superintendent must first be obtained.

Regularly moved and carried that the petition of the Mission Promotion Association with reference to the Agassiz School property for playground purposes be refered to the Board of Education.

Regularly moved and carried that the petition of the Polk Street District Association for the development of the former Spring Valley School site as a playground, be refered to the Board of Education for a decision as to their intention for a high school on this lot.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of the Supervisor of Play including the recommendation that adults be excluded from the Playgrounds at all times excepting Sunday and such other times as special programmes may be announced.

The reappointment of Marshal Hale by his Honor, the Mayor, as a member of the Playground Commission was announced from the Mayor's Office.

Bills to the amount of $149.81 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Joseph R. Whitney
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, March 15th 1913.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3 o'clock p.m., Rev. D.O. Crowley in the chair.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. W.G. Howard
Sarah J. Jones
Rev. D.O. Crowley
Marshal Hale
Dr. A.A. D'Ancona
John McLaren

Absent:- Commissioner, T.A. Dearion

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors requesting an estimate for requirements for the fiscal year 1913-14 was ordered filed.

Communication from the Civil Service Commission with resolution of thanks for the use of the Southside playground during the physical examination of firemen on February 28 and 31, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Public Library Trustees with the information that library site on Van Ness Avenue could not be used for playground purposes, was ordered filed.

Communication from Hugo D. Newhouse requesting the Commission to support the Dreams of Friends of Strength and Power [illegible] to the Board of Supervisors [illegible]

Commission that the leases in question should be extended for one year.

Communication from the residents in the vicinity of Duncan and Church streets requesting a playground in that locality was ordered filed.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of the Grounds Committee, John McLaren chairman, be accepted with the recommendation that the Board of Supervisors purchase for playground purposes, a site in the vicinity of Alabama and Twenty-Sixth Sts., and the proposed site in Noe Valley as approved by the Mission Promotion Association.

Regularly moved and carried that the City Engineer be requested to make a survey and establish the grades at the site of the Excelsior Homestead purchase and that a copy of the same be furnished to this office.

Regularly moved and carried that the property for playgrounds in the Excelsior Homestead District be known officially as the Excelsior Playground.

Regularly moved and carried that the suggested improvement of the California site on Sacramento and Lyon streets as mentioned by Commissioner Hale, be referred to the Grounds Committee to report at the next meeting.

A committee of boys with a petition from the residents in the vicinity of the Columbia School appeared before the Commission with a request that a playground be located in that district. The delegates were informed by the chair that a recommendation covering this situation would be presented to the Board of Supervisors.

Regularly moved and carried that the recommendations for the purchase of additional playground sites to the Board of Supervisors be included in a supplement to the budget for 1913-14.

On the recommendation of the Play Committee it was regularly moved and carried that the position of Girls' Director at the Hamilton playground be filled commencing April 1st 1913.

The report of the Superintendent was approved with the recommendation that school yard playgrounds may be best fitted on the following sites:

McKinley School, 14th and Castro streets.

Noe Valley School, 24th and Douglas streets.

Fairmount School, 30th and Chenery streets.

Yerba Buena School, Greenwich and Fillmore streets.

Sutro School, 30th Avenue and California street.

Bay View School, Bay View street and Pomona street.

The Superintendent's report further included the suggestion that the Bay View School be among the first locations equipped with a playground in view of the fact that no such space is at present provided for this purpose in that district.

The Secretary was instructed to call a meeting of the Finance Committee for Monday March 10th at 10:30 a.m., and a meeting of the Play Committee for Tuesday March 20th at 3:30 p.m.

Demands including salaries for March were approved to the amount of $1477.85.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Joseph L. Kinsey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, March 28th 1913.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3 o'clock p.m., Rev. P.C. Crowley (chairman) presiding.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. M.A. Maynard
Sarah J. Jones
Rev. P.C. Crowley
T.A. Reardon
Marshal Hale
John McLaren

Absent:- Commissioner, Dr. A.L. D'Ancona

The minutes of the previous meeting being corrected as to the report of the Grounds Committee, in recommending certain locations for playgrounds in the Mission District, were read and approved. Chairman John McLaren of the Grounds Committee stated the committee in recognizing the need of sites in the Mission had no desire to specify the same.

Communication from Leo Lounsfelt offering to sell certain property in the vicinity of the Southside Playground for playground purposes, was referred to the Secretary with instructions to reply that the Commission did not favor additions to the present playground site at Seventh and Harrison streets.

Communication from J.J. Astraco, from the North Beach Promotion Association, calling attention to the unfinished condition of the swimming tank on the North Beach playground, was referred to the Secretary to reply that this improvement is contemplated in the announcement of the budget for 1913-14.

Communication from the Mothers' Club of the Sunnyslit

School with reference to the purchase of adjoining lots for playground purposes was refered to the Board of Education.

Communication from the Folk Street District Association; petitioning for the use of the former Spring Valley School site as a playground, was ordered filed awaiting a decision of the Board of Education as to its preference in the matter.

Communication from M.Ehrenberg requesting the endorsement of a proposal to establish a playground on the lower part of Jefferson Square was ordered filed.

Communication to Commissioner Marshal Wale from Polla W.Watt requesting supervision or the installation of apparatus on the playground site at the Central M.E.Church, O'Farrell and Leavenworth streets; was refered to the Secretary to reply that the Commission was not authorized to appropriate an expenditure of municipal funds for private enterprises.

Miss Helen Moore appeared before the Commission with a petition from the Women's Progressive Club of the Mission, requesting the establishment of a playground in the vicinity of 30th and Castro streets. No action was taken in this matter, the Commission informing the petitioners that a consideration of this request would be taken up at a later date.

Application from Mrs. Rosina Moss for a position as Playground Director was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to reply that there are no vacancies in the Department at this time.

A committee consisting of Mrs. W.A.Meyer and Mrs. Frankenstein appeared before the Commission requesting the endorsement of a proposal to purchase a playground site in the Waterfront Mound District. Regularly moved and carried that the offer covering the lot at Somerset and Turrons streets be refused to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. J.Lindsay appeared before the Commission in the interest of the proposed playground on the lower section of [illegible]. The Commission informed the petitioner that

the suggestion be taken under advisement.

The report of the Play Committee, Commissioner Wale chairman, recommending the appointment of Frances E.Ware as director on the Hamilton Square playground was adopted. It was regularly moved and carried that the Commission concur in the report of the committee and that the appointment of Miss Ware take effect April 1 1913.

The proposed appointment of Miss Hulda Tegner as substitute director was refered to the Play Committee to report at the next meeting.

On the recommendation of Chairman McLaren of the Grounds Committee the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the immediate construction of a fence to safe guard the public on the Clay street side of the California site.

The Superintendent was further instructed to prepare a plan of improvement for the California site including basketball and tennis courts.

Commissioners Marshal Wale and Mrs. M.C. Hayward were appointed by the Chair to interview President D'Ancona in providing for the attendance of Miss Agnes Regan at the meetings of the Playground Commission.

Regularly moved and carried that words of appreciation be extended the retiring Commissioner, Miss Sarah J. Jones and that a copy of the same be spread on the minutes as follows:

"Whereas, our associate Miss Sarah J.Jones has been chosen to assume responsibilities as a member of the Board of Education of the City and County of San Francisco, and

Whereas, as a Commissioner to this Department her personality and strength of character attained the admiration of the Playground Commission, and

Whereas, as a member of this Commission she was diligent in the desire to further the welfare of the youth of this City;

Therefore be it

Resolved, that in the withdrawal of Miss Sarah J.Jones, the Playground Commission recognizes the honor bestowed her by his Honor the Mayor, and herewith extends its well wishes in her new undertaking, and be it further

Resolved, That this testimonial having been included in the minutes of the proceedings of this Commission, a copy thereof be furnished Miss Sarah J.Jones."

Regularly moved and carried that the budget including the annual estimate of expenditures for the fiscal year 1912-13 be signed by the President and Secretary of the Commission and the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The report of the Superintendent was adopted including statements of progress on all the grounds.

Bills to the amount of $563.27 were ordered paid.

Adjournment at 4:45 p.m.

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission, April 11th 1910.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev. P.C. Crowley, chairman, presiding.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. M.S. Hayward
Agnes G. Regan
Rev. P.C. Crowley
[illegible] Vale
[illegible] Taylor
[illegible] Wilcox

Absent:- Commissioner, John Mclaren

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors, Lighting and Gates Committee, requesting an economical use of light on the part of the various departments, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors, Clerk, advising the Playground Commission that the "Daily Journal of Commerce" is now the official newspaper in which all City and County advertisements must hereafter be published, was ordered filed.

Communication from the City Architect, Alfred Coffey, requesting salary demands for D.D. Kearns at $ 0.00 and T. Doyle at $ 0.00 were refered to the finance committee.

Communication from the Catholic Schools Athletic League expressing appreciation of the services rendered by Superintendent George A. Schlitter in the recent basketball

was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the same.

Communication from Hella V.Watt acknowledging the the Commission's inability to assist in the equipment of the playground site at the Central M.E.Church was ordered filed.

Communication from the Public Welfare Committee of the Board of Supervisors stating that the matter of a playground in the University Mound district as endorsed by the Playground Commission would be considered at a meeting of the committee,Tuesday April 23 1912,was ordered filed.

Communication from the representative of block No.33 in the University Mound district in which an offer of purchase is made as follows:An option to purchase until July 30,1912 at $19,000.00.To rent the same at $40.00 per month for one year with an option to purchase at $20,000.00.The Secretary was directed to refer the above information to the Board of Supervisors.

Communication from the General Federation of Women's Clubs requesting an official invitation to participate in the Fourth of July programme to be conducted on the playgrounds, was refered to the Secretary to reply,it being regularly moved and carried that the Delegation be invited to visit the public playgrounds.

Regularly moved and carried that the Park Commission be petition to transfer the lower half of Jefferson Square(bounded by Turk Street,Golden Gate Avenue,Hough Street and Laguna Street) to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission.

Regularly moved and carried that the Board of Supervisors be requested to consider the purchase of block No.33 in the University Mound District for playground purposes.

The Play Committee,Marshal Hale,Chairman,reported in detail the result of a conference with the leaders of the People's Place Settlement at North Beach with reference to assisting the construction of a building for the purposes of that organization. It being the sense of the Commission that cooperation to the extent

was not within the authority of the Playground Commission.

On the recommendation of the Play Committee,it was regularly moved and carried that Miss Hilda Popper be appointed substitute director at a salary of $50.00 per month beginning April 15th 1912.

Regularly moved and carried that the Engineering Bureau be requested to lower the grade ,three feet at the site of the Excelsior playground on Edinburg Street.

Mr.P.J.Healy appeared before the Commission requesting a consideration of the proposed playground site at Block No.178 Horner's Addition,located at 30th and Noe streets.Mr.Healy announced the same could be purchased for the amount of $40,000.The petition was ordered filed and the matter refered to the grounds committee.

Mr.W.Estes von Kraban,Mr.Webster Jones and Mr.Thal Rogers appeared before the Commission in the interest of proposed sites for playgrounds in the vicinity of 22th and Alabama streets. The petition was refered to the Grounds Committee.

The report of the Superintendent to April 15th 1912 was approved.

Account of D.J.Mahoney,carpenter,$7.00 was ordered paid.

Adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Joseph K. Hurley

Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, April 25th '12.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Commissioner T.A.Reardon, presiding in the absence of Rev.D.O.Crowley.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Wm.V.C.Townsend
Agnes C.Doran
John Mahoney
T.A.Reardon
Marshal Wale
Dr.A.A.D'Ancona

Absent:- Commissioner, Rev.D.O.Crowley

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from Sylvester V.O'Sullivan, protesting the construction of window boxes in connection with the "City Beautiful" scheme, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Ingleside Improvement Club recommending the purchase of the westerly end of the block including the Hale Grammar school for playground purposes was refered to the Grounds Committee.

W.F.J.Healy appeared in the interests of the above location and was notified that the Commission would inform him of any action in the above proposal.

Communication from the South of Army Street Improvement Association, enlorsing the need of a playground for the Fairmont School and asking that this Commission request the Board of Supervisors make the necessary appropriation, was refered to the Grounds Committee.

Communication from the West End Improvement Club, requesting that the sum of $18,500.00 be included in the budget for the purchase of property surrounding the Longfellow School for playground purposes, was refered to the Grounds Committee.

Communication from the South Central Improvement Association requesting that the Playground Commission recommend to the Board of Supervisors that a playground be placed on the property adjacent to the James Lick Baths, was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to notify the Association that this matter would be taken up at a later date.

Regularly moved and carried that the Secretary prepare a map indicating the present playgrounds in operation, contemplated improvements and proposed sites for new playgrounds, the same to be placed in the office of the Playground Commission.

Salaries to the amount of $[illegible].00 for the month of April were ordered paid.

Adjournment at 4:40 P.M.

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
May 9th 1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Commissioner T.A.Reardon, presiding in the absence of the Rev.D.O.Crowley.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.M.S.Hayward
Agnes G.Regan
T.A.Reardon
Marshal Hale

Absent:- Commissioners, Dr.A.A.D'Ancona
Rev.D.O.Crowley
John McLaren

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the Park Commissioners, regretting their inability to comply with the request that a part of Jefferson Square be set aside for playground purposes, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the same.

Petition from the Southern Promotion Association requesting the support of the Playground Commission in securing a playground in the vicinity of Fourteenth and Railroad Avenues, was ordered refered to the grounds committee and the Secretary directed to inform the association accordingly.

Mr.P.J.Healy appeared before the Commission in

the interest of the property adjoining the Kate Kennedy school, for playground purposes. After consideration of the project, the Playground Commission decided not to endorse the site in question.

It was regularly moved and carried that the plans for the bath house on the North Beach playgrounds, as submitted by the Bureau of Architecture, be approved with such minor changes as recommended by the Commission in the working drawings.

Bills to the amount of $410.25 were ordered paid.

Adjournment at 4:30 p.m.

Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission
May 23,1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3:30 p.m.,Commissioner T.A. Reardon presiding in the absence of Rev.D.O.Crowley.

Roll Call

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs.M.S.Hayward
Miss Agnes Regan
Marshal Hale
T.A.Reardon
John McLaren

Absent:- Commissioners, Dr.A.A.D'Ancona
Rev.D.O.Crowley

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from the South of Army Street Improvement Association;requesting improvements on the Bernal and Holly Park school grounds,was refered to the Board of Education.

Communication from W.Ehrenberg enclosing copy of petition to the Park Commission for the use of Jefferson Square as a playground;was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge the same.

Communication from the Board of Education stating that the yard facilities at the Roosevelt school are considered fairly adequate for play purposes at this time;and that there is no need of additional purchases for play grounds.

Communication from the Consulting Architects of the Board of Public Works including estimate covering the construction of the proposed swimming tank house on the North Beach playground,was refered to the Secretary for consultation with John Reid Jr.

It was regularly moved and carried that an effort be made to reduce the cost of the bath house as proposed by the Bureau of Architecture in an estimate of $20,000 and $1,200 for inspection and the preparation of plans and specifications.

Communication from Flora D.Jones,offering to dispose of property at Army and Alabama streets ,for playground purposes for the sum of $50,000;was refered to the grounds committee.

Regularly moved and carried that the amount of $5,000 be set aside from the appropriation of 1912-13,to be used in the completion of the Jackson Park playground.

Salaries and demands for the month of May were ordered paid to the amount of $1439.00.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Joseph Caithey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground
Commission, June 6th 1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Commissioner T.A. Reardon presiding in the absence of the Rev. D.O. Crowley.

Roll Call

Present:-	Commissioners,	Mrs. M.S. Hayward Miss Agnes Regan Marshal Hale T.A. Reardon John McLaren
Absent:-	Commissioners,	Rev. D.O. Crowley Dr. A.A. D'Ancona

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication from Mr. Cress Gannon requesting that the Commission complete as far as possible the proposed playground site on the area formerly occupied by the California Women's Hospital, was refered to the Secretary to establish title with the Board of Education.

Communication from the Sunset Women's Improvement Club, requesting the installation of playground apparatus at the Nineteenth Avenue entrance to Golden Gate Park, and the petition of the committee which appeared before the Commission was refered to the Park Commission.

Communication from the Board of Education, offering the use of the former Garfield school site for playground purposes and desiring to know if the Playground Commission is prepared to equip the same.

Regularly moved and carried that the above be refered to the Superintendent and the Grounds Committee to report at the next meeting.

Communication from the Fay Improvement Company offering to construct tennis and basketball courts at Jackson Park with one inch of asphalt on three inches of rock for (.09 I-2) Cents, per square foot, was refered to the grounds committee.

Regularly moved and carried that the installation of apparatus and the completion of walks at Jackson Park, be respectively refered to the Play Committee and the Grounds Committee, with power to act.

The demand of $8.50 on the Commission for the cost of repairing window adjacent to the Presidio Heights playground, as presented by Albert Mensor, was refused on the information of the Superintendent, that the window was broken previous to the establishment of the Playground Commission's jurisdiction in that vicinity.

Regularly moved and carried that the Playground Commission request an appropriation of $1,500 from the Fourth of July Committee to cover the expense of exercises on the various playgrounds, Independence Day. The Chair requested the members of the Commission to appear before the committee in the interest of this request.

Regularly moved and carried that $350.00 be set aside from the appropriation of 1912-13 to cover the cost of preliminary drawings in connection with the bath house on the North Beach swimming tank.

Regularly moved and carried that the Superintendent and Secretary prepare an estimate of improvements to cover the 1912-13 budget, the same to be presented at the next meeting.

Bills to the amount of $261.90 were ordered paid.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Joseph L. Kirkey
Secretary.

Office of the Playground Commission.
June 26, 1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 3:30 p. m. , Commissioner T. A. Reardon presiding in the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Roll Call.

Present:- Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Haywards.
Miss Agnes Regan,
T. A. Reardon,
John Mc. Laren.

Absent:- Commissioners, Marshall Hale,
Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Minutes.

Communications

Communication from the Pope Tract Improvement Club, requesting that the school grounds of the Gratton School be used for play purposes during the vacation time, and that same be supervised under the auspices of the Playground Commission.

It was regularly moved and carried that the matter be referred to the Board of Education for recognition .

Communication from Mr. J. H. Mc. Callum in the interest of the Playground maintained by the Central Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. Mc. Callum petitioned the Commission in the matter of Supervising this Playground.

It was regularly moved and carried that the Secretary inform the petitioner that it is not within the jurisdiction

of this commission to take jurisdiction in private enterprises.

Communication from Carlo D. Bianchi, notifying the Commission that he was ready to vacate the premises at 862-870 Bryant St, Saturday June 30, 1912.

Communication fron the Board of Supervisors, requesting a list of the salaried employees in this department who will be on the pay roll for the month of July. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge same.

Communication from H. U. Brandenstein, presented by Commissioner Mrs. M. S. Haywards, with reference to salary of Miss Hulda Popper was ordered filed.

Communication from A. G. Spalding Bros. including a proposal to furnish material,and erect play apparatus at Jackson Park for the sum of $ 530.00.

Communication from the Ellery Arms Co. including a proposal to furnish material and erect play apparatus at the Jackson Park for the sum of $ 442.50.

It was regularly moved and carried that the firm of A. G. Spalding & Bro. be directed to supply the apparatus for the sum here-in recorded.

It was regularly moved and carried that the Secretary communicate with the Board of Public Works, with a request that the improvement of the side-walks surrounding Southside and Jackson parks be taken up by that department.

It was regularly moved and carried that the general plan of improvement for the Excelsior Homestead Playground, as submitted by the Superintendent and Commissioner Mr. John Mc. Laren be approved and accepted.

It was regularly moved and carried that the proposed improvement of the former Garfield School Site, for a Playground be indefinitely postponed, the Secretary was directed to inform the Board of Education accordingly.

It was regularly moved and carried that the report of the Superintendent, including the following recommendation, be adopted.

(1) That Mr. Ray Daugherty of Southside be transferred to Jackson Park as soon after the Fourth of July as necessary.

(2) That preliminary work on the Excelsior Homestead Playground be started.

It was regularly moved and carried that the sum of $ 45.00 per month be set aside for the cost of transportation of the Superintendent.

It was regularly moved and carried that the Commission employ a stenographer at a salary of $ 75.00 per month, beginning July 1st.

Ayes: Commissioners, T. A. Reardon,
Mrs. M. S. Haywards,
Miss Agnes Regan.

Demands for the month of June, including salaries, to the amount of $ 1535.52 were ordered paid.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p. m.

Joseph K. Hickey

Secretary.

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 11, 1913.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present

Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
T. A. Reardon,
John Mc. Largé,
Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Marshall Hale,
Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

Communication from Leon and Herbert Hecht, complaining of the condition of the Tennis Court in Hamilton Square Playground, was referred to the Superintendent of Parks.

Reports.

A report from the Playground Committee presented by Commissioner Marshall Hale, recommending the appointment of Mr. Frank Skelly to the position of Director at Southside Playground, to take effect July 15th, and the appointment of Mr. Edward Penaluna to the position of substitute employee, were approved.

Resolutions.

Regularly moved and carried that the Playground Commission enter into a lease for that piece of land from [illegible] Block 23, University Mound district, for a term of five years, commencing August 1st, at a rental of forty ($ 40.00) dollars per month, with the option to purchase at any time for the sum of $ 20,000.00

Regularly moved and carried that a copy of the lease in the above matter be referred to the office of the City and County Attorney for approval.

Regularly moved and carried that the Commission proceed with the immediate development of the Excelsior Homestead site, details were referred to the grounds committee with power to act.

Regularly moved and carried that the development of the property formerly occupied by the California Woman's Hospital be referred to the grounds committee for a report at the next meeting.

Regularly moved and carried that Photographs be taken of all the Playgrounds now in operation, and also the sites at the University Mound and Excelsior Homestead districts.

Regularly moved and carried that the Secretary secure an estimate to cover the cost of an illustrated report on Playground activities in San Francisco.

Regularly moved and carried that estimates for the cost of erecting a Flag-pole at Jackson Park, be secured by the Secretary, and that the proposal of Bolander and Hallawell be rejected.

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Regularly moved and carried that the deficit in the Fourth of July fund be referred to the Secretary, to be adjusted, if possible with the Fourth of July Committee, and that no action be taken in the matter until the next meeting.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p. m.

Joseph R. Kelley
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 25, 1912.

Meeting

Notices having been forwarded to the members of the Playground Commission, announcing a meeting for this day failed to record a quorum.

Joseph R. Kelley
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, Aug. 1, 1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners, Rev. D. O. Crowley, T. A. Reardon, John Mc. Laren, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Marshall Hale.

Absent — Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication from the Holly Park Improvement Club, requesting an appropriation from the Playground Commission, for the improvement of the property adjacent to the Bernal Grammar School, was referred by motion to the Board of Education, the site in question being out of the jurisdiction of this department.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors, enclosing a petition for a Playground in the vicinity of Thomas and Shafter avenues, Keith and Jennings streets, was referred, on motion, to the grounds committee for report.

Communication from the Board of Public Works, with attached report from the City Engineer, in the matter of sidewalks at Seventeenth and Arkansas streets, and Seventh and Harrison streets, was ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge same.

Communication from the Bureau of Architecture, Board of Public Works, requesting salary demands for the month of July, in the name of A. Appleton, F. H. Stanton, in the amount of $ 10.85, was on motion, ordered filed, and the demands paid.

Communication from Miss A. E. Gardiner, entering the application of Miss Gertrude Judd for a position as Playground Director was ordered filed.

Communication from the San Francisco Commercial League enclosing an invitation to the Pacific Coast Recreation Congress, was by motion, acknowledged and the Secretary instructed to reply accordingly.

Mr. James Rodgers, Secretary of the Recreation League appeared before the Commission, in the matter of the proposed Recreation Congress to be held in San Francisco during February 1913.

Commissioner Dr. A. A. D'Ancona presented a communication from Mr. L. H. Weir, of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, with reference to the proposed Recreation Congress.

Resolutions

Regularly moved and carried that resolutions endorsing the Congress and appointing a Committee to represent the Commission, be adopted as follows:

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" Whereas, an invitation has been extended by the Playground Authorities of San Francisco to participate in the arrangements of the proposed Congress to be held in San Francisco during February 1913, of all persons interested in public recreation, and

Whereas, the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco, desires to cooperate in the field already established and contribute their moral support to the success of the convention, and

Whereas, it is the desire of the Commission to assist in the furthering of public recreation, and child welfare movement;

Therefore be it

Resolved, that the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco appoint a Committee of three to represent this Commission at the Pacific Coast Playground and Recreation Congress, and that the President of the Commission be and is authorized to name the Committee."

Regularly moved and carried that the President appoint a committee of three, the following were appointed; Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Mr. Marshall Hale, and Mrs. M. S. Hayward.

Regularly moved and carried that the pencil sketch of the Bath House at North Beach Playground, as submitted by the Bureau of Architecture be referred to Commissioners Reardon and Hale for revision.

The matter of securing additional property for Excelsior Homestead Playground site, was referred to the Secretary and Superintendent, to secure data for the next meeting.

Regularly moved and carried that the Playground Commission take over the Supervision of Play at Bay View School, and that a Director be appointed at a salary of $ 10.00 per month. The operation of the grounds to commence on the recommendation of the grounds committee.

Regularly moved and carried that the Secretary be authorized to prepare data for an official report on the activities of the Playground Commission since its inception, based on the following estimates:

One Thousand copies of thirty two pages of printed matter, twenty pages of half tones, one map; to cost $ 340.00. Five hundred copies to cost $ 280.00. Size of the copy to be 7" X 10".

Report to include a statement of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, providing for the course of the Playground Commission and its jurisdiction. History of the development of the Playground movement in San Francisco, including expenditures through appropriations to date. Progress photos of complete Playground system.

Demands presented

Regularly moved and carried that demands amounting to $ 2894.09 (exclusive of those for the month of July, and $ 200.98 for expenditures, totaling a total of $ 3091.77; [illegible] ed.

Adjournment

The meeting of [illegible] 5:15 p. m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, Aug. 15, 1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, T. A. Reardon, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Absent Commissioners, John Mc. Laren, Marshall Hale.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A letter from the Portland Avenue Improvement Association, requesting the development of the area in the rear of the Bernal School for playground purposes, referred to the Board of Education, and the Secretary directed to reply accordingly.

Communication from Polsdofer and Wallawell, proposing to erect a seventy-six (76) foot Flag-pole at Jackson Park Playground, for the sum of $ 280.00 was referred to unfinished business.

Communication from Moore & Scoot, replying to an invitation for a proposal to erect a Flag-pole at Jackson Park Playground, was ordered filed.

Communication from Mc. Sheehy Bros, in reply to an invitation for a proposal to erect a Flag-pole at Jackson Park Playground, was ordered filed.

Reports.

The report of the Superintendent covering administration and activities on the Playgrounds from July 1st to July 15th inclusive, with recommendations, improvements and expenditures, was approved.

The street committee of the Board of Supervisors, report that, owing to the urgent repairs in the down town sections, no action will be taken for the present in the matter of installing car tracks at Seventh and Harrison streets and Seventeenth and Arkansas streets.

Resolutions.

Regularly moved and carried that the firm of Polsdofer & Wallawell be authorized to erect the Flag-pole at Jackson Park Playground, as per specifications, for the sum of $ 280.00.

Regularly moved and carried that the Bureau of Architecture of the Board of Public Works, be authorized to proceed with the construction of the Bath House at the North Beach Playground, at an estimated cost of $ 10,000.00.

Regularly moved and carried that the Commission proceed with the development of the University Mound Playground site, and the Superintendent is hereby authorized to commence work thereon as possible.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of the Superintendent, recommending the supervision of the Bay View School yard be approved, and that the Superintendent proceed with the equipment of same, preparatory to operation on September first.

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Regularly moved and carried that the dedication of Jackson Park Playground be arranged for Monday, Labor Day, September 2, 1912, and that the program be arranged by a committee of three, appointed by the President. The Chair announced Commissioners, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Miss Agnes Regan and Mrs. M. S. Hayward, as a committee to arrange for the opening day in conjunction with the Secretary and Superintendent.

Regularly moved and carried that the Park Commission be requested to consider a proposal for the supervision of Holly Park, as recommended in the report of the Superintendent.

Regularly moved and carried that the matter of a pump for the water supply at Southside, and the repair of the slide at Hamilton Square, the windows, painting of the floors, and tinting of the walls at Southside, be referred to the Superintendent and Commissioner Reardon, with power to act.

Regularly moved and carried that the suggestion of Commissioner Mrs. M. S. Hayward, in the matter of increasing the salary of the Director for Girls at North Beach Playground, be referred to the play committee for report.

Regularly moved and carried that the play committee make a report in the matter of play director vacancies to be filled on September first.

Regularly moved and carried that Commissioner Reardon, and the Superintendent consult with the street committee of the Board of Supervisors [illegible] on inspection of Edinburgh street, Monday afternoon, August 19, 1912.

Demands presented — Demands covering expenditures to date to the amount of $ 9653.41 were presented.

Adjournment — The meeting adjourned at [illegible] p. m.

Joseph V. Hickey
Secty.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 29, 1912.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3;30 p. m. Commissioner D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners — Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev. D. O. Crowley, T. A. Reardon, John McLaren, Marshal Hale.

Absent — Commissioners. — Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications — A communication from His Honor the Mayor, accepting the invitation of the Playground Commission to participate in the dedication of Jackson Park Playground, on September second, nineteen hundred and twelve.

A communication from the Park Commission in response to the proposal of the Playground Commission to take over the supervision of Holly Park grounds, the request of this department as suggested was approved and ordered filed.

A communication from the Bernal Progressive Woman's Club, desiring information as to the possibility of a Playground in the vicinity of Bernal Heights, was referred to the Secretary to reply accordingly.

A communication from the Cortland Avenue Improvement Association, desiring information as to the plans of the Playground Commission in the matter of a Playground in the vicinity of the Bernal School, was referred to the Secretary to reply with the information at his disposal.

A communication from Jesse Bennett applying for a position as Caretaker at Excelsior Homestead Playground, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to inform the applicant there was no vacancy at this time.

Reports. — The program for the dedication of Jackson Park Playground on Monday September second, was submitted by the special committee appointed with Dr. A. A. D'Ancona chairman, and approved.

The report of the Play Committee, recommending the appointment of Miss Minnie Murthin, Miss Claire Evans, and Mr. Edward Penaluna, as Directors, to take effect September first, was approved.

Resolutions. — Regularly moved and carried that Miss Murthin be appointed to Jackson Park Playground, beginning September first, at a salary of $ 75.00 per month.

Regularly moved and carried that Miss Claire Evans be appointed Substitute Director beginning September first, at a salary of $ 50.00 permonth.

Regularly moved and carried that Mr. Edward Penaluna be appointed Director at Holly Park Playground, beginning September first, at a salary of $ 50.00 per month.

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Regularly moved and carried that the appointments to take effect September first nineteen hundred and twelve, and all Directors here-after employed by this department, be so placed for one year on probation, and that permenant appointment is to follow that term of satisfactory service.

Regularly moved and carried that on and after September first, nineteen hundred and twelve, that all Women Directors who have served successively and successfully for a term of two years, shall be entitled to a salary of $ 100.00 per month.

Regularly moved and carried that the order of business be suspended as a courtesy to the visiting committee, the representatives of the Bay View School Mother's Club be permitted to offer their suggestions in the matter of the Playground situation in that locality. Being informed of the plans of the Commission with reference to this site, the committee withdrew with the assurance of the cooperation of the Playground Commission.

The Report of the Superintendent covering construction and play activities for the period from August fifteenth to August twenty-ninth incluvise was ordered filed.

Regularly moved and carried that the Secretary advertise for bids for a three horse power motor puppto be located at the Southside Playground, and that specifications covering the same be prepared and figures received by the next meeting.

Mr. Samuel Adelstein appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Playground property on Sacramento street east of Lyon, with the suggestion that some improvement of the site be made at this time.

Regularly moved and carried that the final disposition of the property be referred to the Superintendent for report at the next meeting.

The recommendation of the Superintendent that certain trees now on the above site be transferred to Presidio Heights Playground was declared impracticable by Commissioner McLaren. The improvement of the grounds at the Presidio Heights Playground was referred to the Grounds Committee.

Regularly moved that the matter of improving the Bay View School Playground, in that the proposed tennis court would prove practical, was referred to the Superintendent to take up with the Board of Education.

Regularly moved and carried that the Play Committee be authorized to expend the sum of $ 150.00 for the purchase of a Piano for the Jackson Park Playground.

Regularly moved and carried that the Play Committee confer with the Library Trustees in the matter of arranging for a distributing station at Jackson Park Playground.

Bills Rec.

Salary demands and bills to date to the amount of $ 4711.87 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 5;15 P. M.

Secretary.

Leslie Rich

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 12, 1912.

-Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, T. A. Reardon, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Absent. — Commissioners, John McLaren, Marshal Hale.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication from his honor the Mayor requesting information as to the disposal of the playground site on Sacramento, Clay, Baker and Lyon streets. The action of the Secretary in replying to same was approved.

A communication from the Consulting Architects, Board of Public Works, requesting a salary demand for Mr. A. Appleton to the amount of $ 14.50 was ordered filed.

Regularly moved and carried that same be paid.

A communication from Miss Edna Haywards, espressing appreciation for the resolution of the Commission with reference to increase in salary was ordered filed.

A communication from the Board of Public Works enclosing a copy of the city Engineer's report in the matter of improving Edinburgh street, was referred to Commissioners, T. A. Reardon, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona and Miss Regan, the committee to take same up with the street committee of the Board of Supervisors.

A communication from the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors disapproving of the proposed lease in the University Mound District was referred to Commissioners T. A. Reardon, Mrs. M. S. Hayward and the Secretary, to appear before the committee in an effort to adjust the same.

Petitions.

A petition from the children in the vicinity of Holly Park, requesting consideration of Miss Gladys McClung as an applicant as Director on that ground, was referred to the Play Committee.

Mr. Samuel Adelstein appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Playground site on Sacramento and Lyon streets, action as to the final disposition of the grounds was deferred until the next meeting. Commissioner T. A. Reardon was requested to report in detail on the proposed improvement of this site.

Resolutions.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of the committee in charge of Jackson Park Playground, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona chairman, be approved.

Regularly moved and carried that the Jackson Park Playground hereafter be known as Jackson Playground.

Reports.

Commissioner T. A. Reardon reported that progress was being made on the specifications for the pump at Southside.

The Secretary reported that the plans for the Bath House at North

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Beach Playground are being completed by the Bureau of Architecture.

Commissioner Mrs. M. S. Hayward reported for the special Library Committee in the matter of the Juvenile station at Jackson Playground.

Regularly moved and carried that the Secretary make a formal request on the Library Trustees covering this feature.

Demands — Demands to the amount of $ 2480.94 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4;45 p. m.

Joseph A. Whitney
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 26, 1912.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. T. A. Reardon, Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Absent — Commisioner Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Communications.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Cortland Ave. Improvement Association, petitioning the installation of additional apparatus on the Playground at Holly Park, was referred to the Superintendent, with instructions to estimate the cost of this improvement.

A communication from the Holly Park Improvement Club, requesting that trees and shrubs on the Playground at Holly Park be trimmed and so arrange to permit of better observation of activities thereon, was referred to Commissioner JohnMcLaren of the Park Commission, with the recommendation that this work be done.

A communication from the North Beach Promotion Association, J.C. Astredo, Chairman, Playground Committee, requesting information as to the progress being made on the plans for the Bath House at the North Beach Playground, was referred to the Secretary to reply accordingly.

A communication from the Civil Service Commission, E. R. Zion, Director of the Bureau of Efficiency, requesting a tabulated list of employes and their duties, was referred to the Secretary to acknowledge request.

A communication from Mr. Walter D. Burke, 421 Liberty street, applying for a position as caretaker at Excelsior Playground, was referred to the grounds committee, and the Secretary instructed to reply stating there is no vacancy at this time.

A communication from Miss Therese Summerfield applying for a position as Playground Director, was referred to the Play Committee, and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge same.

A communication from Miss Lottitia Corella, applying for a position as Playground Director, was referred to the Play Committee, and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge same.

Resolutions.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of the Superintendent covering activities and construction on the Playgrounds be approved.

Regularly moved and carried that the sign at the entrance of Southside Playground be changed to read as follows: " Adults are forbidden to loiter on these grounds"

Regularly moved and carried that the matter of adjusting the shower system in the field-house at Jackson Playground be referred to Commissioner Reardon and the Superintendent, with power to act.

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Regularly moved and carried that the matter of fencing the former site of the California Woman's Hospital, at Sacramento and Baker streets, as reported by Commissioner Reardon and the Superintendent be approved.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of the Superintendent in the matter of additional improvement at Excelsior Homestead site be approved as follows: That the seeding of the terraces be postponed until Spring, and the construction of a field-house and apparatus on the grounds delayed until the grounds are enclosed.

Regularly moved and carried that the location of the tennis court at Bay View School Playground, and the arrangement of the baseball field be referred to Commissioner Reardon and Superintendent Schlitter with power to act.

Mr. J. C. Seagrave appeared before the Commission in the interest of Gratton School Mother's Club, requesting the cooperation of the Commission in the matter of supervising the Playground on the site of this School.

Regularly moved and carried that the Secretary send to Mrs. J. C. Seagrave, of the Mothers Club, a list of competent Directors, that they might make a selection therefrom.

Regularly moved and carried that the recommendation of Commissioner McLaren, that the infield of Excelsior Homestead site be connected with the sewer on Madrid street be approved.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of the Play Committee recommending the appointment of Miss E. R. Ostrom as substitute Director, beginning October first, nineteen hundred and twelve, at a salary of $ 50.00 per month be approved.

Regularly moved and carried that Miss Claire Evans be appointed to supervise the Bay View School Playground, beginning October first, nineteen hundred and twelve.

Commissioner Miss Agnes C. Regan reported having interviewed the Street Committee of the Board of Supervisors, in the matter of improving Mission street, and that the petition of the Playground Commission had been referred to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, same to be acted upon at a later date.

Commissioner Mrs. M. S. Hayward reported having interviewed the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, in the matter of the proposed lease in the University Mound District, and was instructed that the Finance Committee would let her know their decision regarding of this lease.

Adjourn. Salary Warrants for the month of September and bills to the amount of $ 3264.01 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4: 40 P. M.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 10, 1912.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner T. A. Reardon presiding in the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Present. Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Mr. T. A. Reardon.

Absent. Commissioners, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John McLaren.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications. A communication from the North Beach Improvement Association, requesting the Commission to investigate the matter of additional property adjacent to the Garfield School site, and to make such recommendations as the inquiry will dictate, was ordered filed.

Regularly moved and carried that the Secretary be directed to reply to the above communication, stating that the matter had been referred to the Board of Education.

A communication from the Board of Supervisors, enclosing a petition from Boys in the vicinity of Valencia and Twentieth streets, requesting that some provision for a playground be made in that district.

Regularly moved and carried that the Secretary reply accordingly.

Mr. William Gutzkow appeared before the Commission in the interest of Southside Playground. Mr. Gutzkow requested that Southside Playground be opened to the children on Sunday morning, in view of the fact that many children play in the streets in that neighborhood on the afternoon of Sunday. The matter was referred to the Play Committee and the Superintendent to report at the next meeting.

Reports. The report of the Superintendent stating progress at Excelsior Playground site was approved.

The Superintendent further recommended the following repairs.

The alteration of the girl's shelter house at Jackson Playground as provided in plans submitted to the Commission.

Painting of the Handball court and Bleachers at Southside.

The painting of the Baseball back-stop at the Handball court at North Beach Playground.

That ball-bearing fittings for the revolving rings at Southside and North Beach be installed in place of the present fittings which are considered dangerous.

Repainting of the white net fight fence at Presidio Heights Playground.

Construction of a small screen on the back-stop at the Bay View School Playground.

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Installation of the following apparatus at Holly Park Playground.

Sand Box, slide, single swings and rockabye. Repairing one of the present swings at Holly Park Playground.

Refilling of all sand boxes with clean sand.

Necessity of additional tan bark on all the playgrounds.

Regularly moved and carried that the above items be attended to, with the cooperation of Superintendent, Commissioner Reardon and the Secretary.

The Superintendent reported that the attendance on all of the playgrounds has been of an increased nature, and that new activities were at present being arranged by the Directors.

In view of the success attending the opening of the Bay View School Yard Playground, the Commission discussed plans for additional School Playgrounds, including the use of the Visitation School Yard, the Gratton School Yard, and the Mt. Kinley School Yard, the matter being finally referred to Commissioners Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Miss Agnes Regan and Mrs. M.S. Hayward, who will report on the proposed plan at the next meeting.

Bills. Bills incurred and bills to the amount of $ 884.72 were ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p. m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 24, 1912.

Meeting.

Notices having been sent to the members of the Playground Commission announcing a meeting for this day failed to report a quorum.

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San Francisco, October 31, 1912.

Meeting

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. T. A. Reardon, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Absent Commissioners, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John McLaren.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications. A communication from the Board of Supervisors relative to the courteous reception of citizens by employees of the Department was ordered filed, Rev. D. O. Crowley having previously taken this matter up with the Commissions subordinates.

A communication from P. J. Griffin enclosing an application for a position as Janitor with the Playground Commission was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to state that no vacancy exists at this time.

A communication from Miss K. F. Casey, Principal of the Yerba Buena School, requesting that the Playground Commission take up the application of yard space at that institution, was ordered filed.

A special committee on the investigation of sewers and playgrounds, including Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan and Dr. A. A. D'Ancona reported favorably on the request from the Yerba Buena School. The committee stated that an inspection of sewers should first be made before the work began on the Columbus Avenue line.

Regularly moved, seconded and carried that the application of the Yerba Buena School Yard be considered on November 21 1912, and that the Board of Education be requested to ignore this requirement.

There being a difference of opinion as to the advisability of placing a bar, or Gymnasium Director in charge, action on the matter was deferred until the Superintendent and members of the Play Committee should confer with Miss Casey of the Yerba Buena School, and report their recommendation as to a guide in the selection of the Gymnastic Director.

A communication from the Board of Public Works, City Engineer's Office, outlining specifications for the construction of the proposed grade at Southside Playground, was referred to Commissioner T. A. Reardon, who was instructed to report at the next meeting.

Regularly moved and carried that the request of Mr. G.A.Spiller for a vacation earned, be granted, as prayed, two weeks to begin Nov.1,1912.

Regularly moved and carried that the report of the Superintendent to date be approved and include the following recommendations:

Repairing swings at Holly Park Playground, Painting of sanitary drinking fountains at Jackson Playground, Painting of bleachers, erection of a four foot screen fence, instructions to dressing rooms, painting of [illegible] and jumping

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pits at Southside Playground. Painting of croquet and handball courts, and back-stop at North Beach Playground. Planting of geraniums, painting of fence and field house at Presidio Heights. Construction of screen fence, alteration of basketball-court and back-stop at Bay View School Playground.

The Superintendent further reported that the conditions in the vicinity of Seventh and Harrison streets, do not warrant the opening of the grounds on Sunday morning, as has been requested.

Demands. Salary and expense demands for the month of October, to the amount of $ 3268.40 were ordered paid.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 o'clock p. m.

Joseph K. Kirkley
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 14, 1912.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding

Present Commissioners, Mrs. M. C. Maynard,
Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Dr. A. A. D'Ancona,
Mr. T. A. Reardon.

Absent Commissioners, Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John McLaren.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting [illegible] and approved.

Communications A communication from the Civil Service Commission requesting the use of Southside Playground for a period of three or four days, beginning Jan. 2nd 1913, for the purpose of holding Athletic tests of applicants for position of Policemen, was [illegible] received, and on motion regularly moved and carried, the use of the grounds, as petitioned was granted.

Amending the above resolution, the Playground Commission recommended that the tests be held in the forenoon of the selected days, the same recommendation to be conveyed [illegible] to the Civil Service Commission.

A communication from the North Beach Promotion Association, requesting the Playground Commission to [illegible] to the proposed addition to the Garfield School property, and the use as recommended of the [illegible] was filed, and a copy thereof received, and on motion duly [illegible] the Secretary was directed to inform the North Beach Promotion Association and the Board of Education, that [illegible] of the Playground Commission.

A communication requesting [illegible] Miss Agnes G. Regan, Monadnock Cottage, requesting a position as Player and Director, was received and filed and the Secretary instructed to reply [illegible] no vacancy at this time.

Reports. The Play Director, Mr. Marshal Hale, reported on the [illegible] examination of candidates for the position of Director at the Yerba Buena School grammar playground, on the recommendation of the Board of Education, and moved duly [illegible] and carried, that applicants Dudley [illegible] be appointed to fill position of Director of Play at the Yerba Buena School ground, beginning Nov. 15th 1912, at a salary of Sixty dollars per month ($ 60.00).

Demands. Demands to the amount of $ 600.00 were considered and ordered paid.

Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p. m.

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Secretary.

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, Nov. 23 1915.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present. Commissioners — Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. T. A. Reardon, Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Absent. Commissioners — Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Mrs. H. E. Hammond, Mr. Marshal Hale.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication from the Civil Service Commission extending expressions of thanks for the use of Southside Playground for several days, commencing Jan. 2nd 1913, for the purpose of holding athletic tests of applicants for the position of policeman. The Civil Service Commission stated that the request of the Playground Commission, that the examinations take place in the forenoon, would be complied by them.

A communication from the Building and Grounds Committee of the Board of Education, enclosing a petition from Miss Belle Miller, in the matter of a playground in the vicinity East of Van Ness Ave. and North of Market Street was referred to the Secretary, with instructions to find out if the latter would receive the use of [illegible] of the Playground Commission.

A communication enclosing petition from Twin Peaks Improvement Association, [illegible] in the proposition, that the Commission would be requested to [illegible] the Board of Supervisors.

Reports.

The report of the [illegible] Committee, [illegible] Playground [illegible] was read and [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] that the Commission [illegible] Board [illegible] playground plan, [illegible] the [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] Bell & Polk St be [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] design providing that the [illegible] of the [illegible]

It was [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] Commissioner Regan that the [illegible]

The [illegible] was [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] was adopted. The [illegible] the [illegible] of the Chairman.

Upon Motion duly [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] the [illegible] condition, [illegible] was [illegible].

It was [illegible] Commissioner [illegible] that the Superintendent, [illegible] hours and [illegible] Meeting [illegible] Dec. 1st, 1915.

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It was regularly moved and carried that the plans for the Bath House for the North Beach Playground, as submitted by the Bureau of Architecture be approved, and same be signed by the President and Secretary, of the Playground Commission.

It was regularly moved and carried that the matter of a Cabinet for the Director of the Bay View School Playground be referred to Commissioners, Reardon and Rogan.

It was regularly moved and carried that salaries and demands for the month of November to the amount of $ 3,963.71 be approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p. m.

Joseph C. Bickay
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, Dec. 12, 1913.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present Commissioners — Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. T. A. Reardon, Mr. John McLaren, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Absent Commissioner — Mr. Marshal Hale.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications. A communication from Hugo D. Newhouse applying for a renewal of lease on behalf of the W. P. Fuller Co., and the Western Theater and Storage Co. on the property of the Playground Commission on Seventh and Harrison Streets, was referred to the discussion of new business, and on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to reply that it was the attitude of the Playground Commission to grant an extension of the existing leases, the Secretary was further instructed to notify the Board of Supervisors accordingly.

A communication from Mr. C. C. Valrede, Chief Probation Officer of the City and County of San Francisco, enclosing a complaint sent them by Lee Bo Lee and Wee Poon conditions was referred to Commissioner McLaren with the Superintendent for investigation. The Secretary was directed to inform Mr. Valrede of the Board's action.

Reports. The report of Lee Hays Interment for the period from November 15th to December 15th inclusive was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Superintendent of Playgrounds and following recommendations on the various grounds, as follows:

1. Discussion of the advisability of the Commission on the City's portion of the North Beach Playground, following the construction of the new Bath House, a plot of which is to be purchased at the next meeting. The installation of a Volley-ball and Tennis Court on the Bay View School playground. The construction of a Backstop outside on the Basketball court, and the recommendation of a slide, single swings, and a sandbox at Holly Park.

It was regularly moved and carried that the above improvements be authorized and that the recommendations for the Bay View School be taken up with Dr. D'Ancona of the Board of Education.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was authorized to arrange the preliminary plans for arranging for the Field House at Excelsior Playground site.

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On motion regularly moved and carried the petition of Miss Ruth Duncan, director at Southside Playground, to incur an expense of ten dollars in the matter of the Christmas festival was allowed.

It was reported that Christmas festivals will be arranged for Jackson, Hamilton and Southside Playgrounds, under the auspices of the Directors in charge, and that at the Jackson Playground the pupils of the Daniel Webster School would participate.

Demands for the month of December to the amount of $ 520.52 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 o'clock p. m.

Joseph R. Hickey
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 30, 1912.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. C. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners. — Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev. D. C. Crowley, Mr. T. A. Rolfe, Mr. Marshal Hale.

Absent — Commissioners — Mr. John McLaren, Dr. A.A.D'Ancona.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications. — A communication from Thomas D. Nevin requesting the renewal of a lease on Lot 1 in Block 2 on the West line of Second Ave., commencing July 1st 1913, for a term of five years, on the expiration of the present term at $ 15.00 per month, was read and on motion duly carried the Secretary was instructed to inform the petitioner that the request would be granted by the Commission and to notify the Board of Supervisors accordingly.

Reports. — The report of the Superintendent of Playgrounds for the month of December was read and on motion duly carried was approved and ordered filed. The report is as follows:

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It was [illegible] and carried that the Secretary of the Commission and Mr. John Mc Laren, Director of Public Buildings and Engineering [illegible] be appointed as a committee to confer with the Board of Public Works and Fire Department [illegible] and to report [illegible].

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In connection with the above the Secretary was directed to return all verified demands to the auditing officers and notify them of the action of the Commission.

Demands

Claims and demands for services rendered to December 1st to the amount of Three Thousand and sixty-six dollars and seventy-two cents ($ 3066.72) were ordered paid.

Adjournment.

There being adjournment at the hour of 5 o'clock p. m.

Joseph E. Dicks
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 2, 1913.

Special Meeting.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission for the purpose of electing a President for the ensuing year according to the provisions of Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m., Hon. D.C.Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Raymond, Agnes J. Regan, Rev. D. C. Crowley, Marshall Hale, T. A. Rolfe.

Absent — Commissioners, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, John D'L[illegible].

Consistent with Section 2, Rules of the Playground Commission, which provides that the President of the Playground Commission shall be chosen by ballot on the first Tuesday in January of each year.

On motion of Commissioner Rolfe, seconded by Commissioner Hale, Rev. D. C. Crowley was elected President of the Playground Commission for the ensuing year.

There being no further business, adjournment at 4:15 p. m.

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Secretary.

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San Francisco, January 9, 1913.

Meeting.

Notices having been sent to the members of the Playground Commission for a meeting on this date failed to report a quorum.

Joseph K. Duckett
Secretary.

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San Francisco, January 25, 1918.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Board was called to order this day at the hour of 3:20 p. m., Commissioner Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present — Commissioners — Mrs. H. S. Haynes, Miss A[illegible] C. [illegible], Rev. D.O.C[illegible], Marshall Hale, T. A. Rolfe.

Absent — Commissioners — John McLaren, Dr. A.A.D'A[illegible].

Minutes.

The minutes of the [illegible] meeting [illegible] Jan. [illegible], [illegible] the regular meeting of January 11th, 1918, were read and approved.

Communications.

A [illegible] from [illegible] Real Estate [illegible], relative [illegible] permanent [illegible] in the City [illegible] City [illegible], [illegible] Assessor's district [illegible] a playground.

A [illegible] from [illegible] relative [illegible] Bay [illegible] Exposition [illegible] Board [illegible] Commissioners [illegible] Exposition [illegible] Board [illegible] Commissioners [illegible] Exposition [illegible] Board [illegible] Commissioners

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Resolutions. On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the alterations in the auditorium at Southside Playground, [illegible] Eighty-one Dollars ($81.00)

Demands. Demands and salaries to the amount of $ 2722.67, for the month of [illegible] were ordered paid.

The meeting was then adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Joseph K. Hisley
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, Feb. 6, 1913.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p. m. Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners — Mrs. M.S.Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev. D.O.Crowley, Marshal Hale, T. A. Reardon.

Absent — Commissioners — John McLaren, Dr.A.A.D'Ancona.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications. A communication from Adolf Kosmland of the Board of Supervisors, requesting information concerning the proposed lease in the University Mound District, and desiring to know the attitude of the Playground Commission with reference to the petition of the people in that vicinity. Same was referred to new business, and on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to acknowledge same and state that the matter would be given consideration in estimating the budget for 1913-14.

A communication from the Bureau of Architecture, requesting a salary demand of $ 39.50 for William J. Baker, for services in drafting a detailed plan of the North Beach Bath House. On motion regularly moved and carried the above was ordered paid.

A communication from the Visitacion Valley Improvement Association, requesting that the yard of the Visitacion School be used for a playground until the construction of the Playground Commission; was referred to the Play Committee and the Secretary directed to notify that action might be taken at a later date.

A communication from the Board of Education enclosing a petition from the Visitacion Valley Improvement Association in the interest of the Visitacion School was referred to the Play Committee.

A communication from the Board of Supervisors enclosing a resolution as required by the Charter, that the Playground Commission file a budget of estimates for the year 1913 and 1914 with the Board of Supervisors, on or before March 15th 1913; was referred to the Finance Committee.

Commissioner Marshal Hale proposed an extensive addition in the interest of districts at present unprovided with playgrounds. All on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary and Superintendent were directed to investigate and prepare a survey of playgrounds in the present congested districts.

Resolutions On motion regularly moved and carried the Chair was authorized to appoint a committee of three to arrange a luncheon for the visiting experts during the Playground and Recreation Congress. Commissioners Marshal Hale, Miss Agnes Regan and Mrs.M.S.Hayward were appointed by President Crowley as the Committee to arrange this event. Commissioner Reardon and the Secretary were requested to provide transportation on [illegible] occasion.

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On motion regularly moved and carried the recommendation of the Superintendent for an increase in the salary of Edward Penaluna, Director at Holly Park, was referred to the Play Committee, to report at the next meeting.

Reports. The report of the Superintendent covering construction and activities from January 24th to Feb. 6th inclusive, was approved as submitted.

On motion regularly moved and carried the matter of constructing a fence to surround Excelsior Playground was referred to the Grounds Committee, with a recommendation that the specifications include a Seven foot (7'0") fence, Two foot (2'0") Base-board, and be arranged with Eight foot (8'0") spans. That bids for both iron and wooden posts be furnished by the Superintendent.

Mrs. Moore appeared before the Commission in the interest of a Playground in the Noe Valley District. She was notified that the Commission would consider this proposal in arranging this years budget.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Joseph A. Bixby
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 20, 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Commissioner Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present

Commissioners: Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John McLaren,
Dr. A. A. D'Ancona,
Mr. T. A. Reardon,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication from the Bay View Mothers Club, petitioning for the need of a district park in the above described locality, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Secretary to acknowledge and advise co-operating with the Park Commission.

A communication from Mr. Thomas Gosland, 117 Somerset St., referring to a site for a Playground in the University Mound District, and petitioning the need for same, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Secretary to acknowledge. It was the desire of the Commission that this matter should be taken up with the Board of Supervisors in the formulation of the budget for 1913-14.

Reports. The report of the Superintendent covering activities on the Playgrounds from February 6th. to February 20th inclusive, was on motion regularly moved and carried, approved.

Resolutions.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the construction of a fence around Excelsior Playground site; six (6") inch base specified for this work.

Unfinished Business.

Commissioner Hale, Chairman of the Play Committee reported favorably on the recommended increase of pay for Summer Sessions, Director in Holly Park. Motion duly seconded, carried that Mr. Penaluna's salary was increased to Seventy-five ($75.00) per month, beginning February 1st, 1913.

Commissioner Hale further reported that the Committee appointed to arrange the luncheon for the visiting delegates during the Playground and Recreation Congress that same would take place on Wednesday, February 26th at the St. Francis Hotel.

Mr. Eustace Peixotto, Director of Athletics of the Board of Education and a member of the Executive Committee of the Playground and Recreation Congress, appeared before the Commission and requested their co-operation in subscribing to the expense of Miss Elizabeth Burchenal's participation in the Playground and Recreation Congress. On motion regularly moved and carried One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars was appropriated to cover the expense of lectures and demonstrations to the Directors and Playground Workers of the department of the San Francisco Playground Commission.

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Rev. D. O. Crowley, President of the Commission initiated a formal discussion advocating a plan to stimulate greater interest in the traditional games, such as tops, marbles and kite flying for the boys, these features having somewhat disappeared in the popularity of competitive matches.

Salaries and demands for the month of February to the amount of $ 3051.85 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 o'clock p.m.

Joseph R. Kinsley
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 6, 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev.D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present — Commissioners, — T. A. Reardon, Marshal Hale, Dr. A.A.D'Ancona, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Absent — Commissioner, — John McLaren.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications. A communication from the Coso Avenue Improvement Club, petitioning for the establishment of a small playground in the neighborhood of that district, and suggesting the lease or rental of ground for the purpose mentioned, was referred to the Secretary to reply with the explanation that the Commission knew of no opportunity in that line at the present time, but would give the matter consideration in the near future.

A communication from the Directors of the various playgrounds expressing their appreciation for the benefits derived from the instructions offered by Miss Elizabeth Burchenal of New York City, was accepted in the spirit of gratification, and ordered filed.

A communication from Rev. Albert W. Palmer, President of the Oak and Playground Commission, explaining his regret at being unable to accept the invitation of the Playground Commission during the recent Playground and Recreation Congress, was ordered filed.

A communication from Miss M. K. Knowles, Secretary of the Winnipeg Playground Commission, expressing appreciation for the work exploited in the recent report of the San Francisco Playground Commission, was acknowledged and ordered filed.

A communication from Miss Grace Jacks, Director of Presidio Heights Playground, tendering her resignation to take effect April 1st, 1913 was received, and on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to acknowledge same with regret, and to express the thanks and appreciation of the Playground Commission in the acknowledgement of Miss Jacks conscientious efforts in the past.

Resolutions. On motion regularly moved and carried the matter of filling the vacancy made by Miss Jacks withdrawal was referred to the Play Committee to report at the next meeting.

It was regularly moved and carried that an expression of thanks and appreciation be extended to Miss Elizabeth Burchenal and Dr. Edward W. Stitt of New York, Mr. E. B. DeGroot of Chicago, in recognition of their hearty co-operation during the recent Playground and Recreation

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Congress in this city, and that a copy of same be forwarded to each of the above persons.

Reports. The report of the Superintendent, covering construction and activities on the Playgrounds from February 20th to March 6th, inclusive, was, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved.

The recommendation, by the Superintendent, that the asphalt surface on the North Beach Handball courts be repaired, was, on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Grounds Committee for consideration including an estimate to cover the cost of repairing the same.

The need of repairing the petitions in the toilets of the boy's lavatories on the North Beach Playground, as recommended by the Superintendent, was, on motion regularly moved and carried, referred to Commissioner T. A. Reardon and the Superintendent for an estimate, and to report at the next regular meeting.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was instructed to replace the side-walk lights over the boys lavatories on the North Beach Playgrounds.

The recommendation of the Superintendent, that the lawn swings, and merry-go-round at Presidio Heights Playground be substituted with a rock-a-by and baby swings, in view of the dangerous condition of the present apparatus, was, on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Play Committee.

It was regularly moved and carried that all trap drains on the Playgrounds that offered no semblance of danger be removed at once, with the recommendation to the Superintendent that the steel covers on the various [illegible] be substituted by rawhide wooden splinters.

Commissioner T. A. Reardon interested a discussion as to conditions at the Yerba Buena School-Playground, during which matter was considered as to selling the present office at once, it was regularly moved and carried that the Board of Education be requested to extend the use of the basement floor to the Playground Commission under the auspices of the Playground Commission.

Discussion being had regarding the fact that the North House Playground, it was unanimously moved and carried that the Playground Commissioners, [illegible] investigation of the tank as applied to the [illegible] fire system.

The Committee of the Playground Commission, Saturday evening, March [illegible] for 1913-14.

[illegible] of $ 30.81 were approved and March paid.

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Joseph R. Bailey
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 8, 1913.

MEETING OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Minutes of

The meeting of the Finance Committee of the Playground Commission held Saturday evening, March 6th 1913, in the rooms of the Board of Education.

Present. Commissioners, T. A. Reardon, Chairman,
Marshal Hale,
Dr. A.A.D'Ancona.

Regularly moved and carried that the following items be incorporated in the estimate of expenditures for 1913-14, and that same be presented to the Playground Commission as necessary in the extension of the work under the auspices of this department.

That the Playground Commission petition the Park Commission for the Easterly half of Hamilton Square, as an addition to the present playground site in that district;

That Twenty Thousand Dollars ($ 20,000.00) be set aside for the improvement of a Playground site in the Mission district to be purchased by the Board of Supervisors;

That Five Thousand Dollars ($ 5,000.00) be set aside for the supervision and equipment of four schoolyard playgrounds, and

That the additional sites to be improved under the auspices of the Playground Commission include the former site of the California Woman's Hospital, at Clay and Baker Streets, the Marshal School site, at Nineteenth street and Angelica Ave., and the site of the former Spring Valley School, at Broadway and Polk Streets.

The Committee adjourned to present its report at the meeting of the Playground Commission, to be held on Thursday, March 13th, 1913.

Joseph R. Bailey
Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 13, 1913.

MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present

Commissioners, Rev. D. O. Crowley,
John McLaren,
T. A. Reardon,
Marshal Hale,
Dr. A.A. D'Ancona,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes C. Regan.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the special meeting of the Finance Committee of the Playground Commission, held on Saturday evening, March 8th 1913, with reference to the Budget for 1913-14; were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the item covering six months salary for the operation of the proposed Mission site, amounting to $1530 was transferred to the sum for development and construction of the site in question, making a total of $ 21,530.00, for that purpose.

On motion regularly moved and carried the item of $ 2000.00 for the construction of sidewalks at Jackson Playground, and $ 1525.80 for the construction of sidewalks at Southside Playground, was eliminated.

On motion regularly moved and carried the contingent item of $ 25,840.00 for the construction of a swimming tank in the Hamilton Playground was incorporated in the proposed Budget for 1913-14. In addition to the item for operating the same for six months, amounting to $1140.00.

On motion regularly moved and carried the sum of $ 24,881.00 was incorporated in the proposed budget estimate for the purchase of a playground site, and the construction and equipment of same in the University Mound District.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the estimate of expenditures for 1913-14 as revised by the Controller of the City and County, was adopted as herewith itemized, to total $ 150,000.00.

SALARIES AND MAINTENANCE.

Secretary	$1500.00		
Superintendent	1800.00		
Stenographer	900.00		
Foreman	1530.00	$ 5730.00	
NORTH BEACH PLAYGROUND			
Director	1500.00		
Girl's Director	1200.00		
Gardener	1080.00		
Janitor	960.00		
Swimming Instructor and Life Saver	1200.00	5940.00	11400.00

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Brought Forward		$ 11460.00
SOUTHSIDE PLAYGROUND		
Director	$1200.00	
Girl's Director	900.00	
Gardener	1080.00	
Janitor	960.00	$4140.00
JACKSON PLAYGROUND.		
Director	1200.00	
Girl's Director	900.00	
Gardener	1080.00	
Janitor	960.00	4140.00
EXCELSIOR PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	
Girl's Director	900.00	
Gardener	1080.00	3180.00
HAMILTON PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	
Girl's Director	900.00	
Gardener	1080.00	3180.00
Swimming Instructor and Life Saver, 6 months	600.00	
Bath Attendant 6 mos.	540.00	1140.00
BAY VIEW SCHOOLYARD PLAYGROUND		
Director		600.00
HOLLY PARK PLAYGROUND		
Director		900.00
YERBA BUENA SCHOOLYARD PLAYGROUND		
Director		600.00
PROPOSED MISSION PLAYGROUND AND IMPROVEMENT OF PORTION OF CALIFORNIA WOMAN'S HOSPITAL SITE.		
Director	900.00	900.00
Janitor	1080.00	1080.00
SUBSTITUTES		
Three Substitute Directors		1800.00
CARVAL PLAYGROUND SITE		
Director	540.00	
Girl's Director	540.00	
Janitor	720.00	1800.00
[illegible] PLAYGROUND		
Supervision of Four Schoolyard Playgrounds		1440.00
[illegible] PLAYGROUND SITE.		
Director	900.00	
		$ 38,715.00
MAINTENANCE.		
[illegible]	$3000.00	
Play [illegible]	3600.00	
[illegible] Janitor, Janitor, and Engineer's Helper	2700.00	
[illegible]	1800.00	
[illegible]	200.00	
Office Supplies, [illegible] Printing, and Miscellaneous	750.00	
	10,650.00	
	$49,365.00	

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Brought Forward			$49,365.00
IMPROVEMENTS.			
NORTH BEACH PLAYGROUND.			
Tennis Court	$750.00		
Adjustments, repairing ball field, lavatories, handball courts, alteration of drains and water system	1250.00		
Operation of swimming tank, water, bathing suits, towels, laundry etc.	4400.00		
Furniture and fixtures for Field House	1500.00	$7900.00	
HAMILTON SQUARE PLAYGROUND.			
Resurfacing Ground	1000.00		
Baseball Field	500.00		
Apparatus, Additional	500.00		
Flag Pole and Labor	250.00		
Basketball Court	750.00		
Tennis Court	750.00	3750.00	
SOUTHSIDE PLAYGROUND			
Tennis Court	750.00	750.00	12,400.00
DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION.			
Proposed Playground site in the Mission District		21,350.00	
California Woman's Hospital site, Clay and Baker Sts.		6,500.00	
Marshal Playground site, Nineteenth St., and Angelica Ave.		5,000.00	
Spring Valley Playground Site, Broadway and Polk St.		2,500.00	
Swimming Tank at Hamilton Square Playground, construction, operation etc.		25,040.00	
Equipment of four Schoolyard Playgrounds		2,000.00	
Purchase of Playground site in the University Mound District, 240 X 400 feet.		19,200.00	
Development and Equipment		5,260.00	87,635.00
			$136,000.00

On motion regularly moved and carried it was recommended that the sum of $ 150,000.00 be appropriated by the Board of Supervisors for the purchase of additional Playground sites; this proposal to be supplementary to the regular Budget appropriation for 1913-14.

Mrs. O. Jungblut appeared before the Commission in the interest of developing a portion of Alamo Square for play purposes, and supervision of same. Mrs. Jungblut stated that the best interests of the children in that district were not being served under the present park conditions.

On motion regularly moved and carried the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee to report as to the further consideration of this

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petition on the part of the Playground Commission.

The recommendation of the Finance Committee of the Playground Commission, that the Park Commission be petitioned for the Easterly half of Hamilton Square was referred to New Business at the regular meeting of the Playground Commission, Thursday, March 20th, 1913.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the recommendation of the Play Committee, that Miss Rose Ostrom be appointed Director at Presidio Heights Playground, vice Miss Grace Jacks, resigned, was approved to take effect April 1st, 1913, at a salary of $ 75.00 per month.

A discussion as to the transfer of Miss Gertrude Freese to the Substitute list, and the appointment of Miss Hulda Popper to the position of Director at the Yerba Buena School offered a motion to this effect, which was later withdrawn and action in the transfer postponed until the next regular meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully,
Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 20, 1913.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Commissioner T. A. Reardon, presiding in the absence of the President, Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Present — Commissioners, T. A. Reardon, Marshal Hale, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, John McLaren, Mrs. M. S. Hayward.

Absent. — Commissioners, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Minutes.

The minutes of the regular meeting of March 6th, and the minutes of the special meeting of March 13th, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved.

Communications. — A Communication was received from the Recreation Committee of the Municipal Exhibit at Santa Cruz, requesting the loan of photographs of the San Francisco Playgrounds, to be used in connection with a public exhibit at Santa Cruz, April 24th. to 26th inclusive.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was authorized to forward such pictures as desired, with the suggestion to the petitioner that lantern slides covering the same features were in the possession of the committee, and to further inform the committee that the California Development Board would be pleased to exhibit these lantern slides.

A request from the Playground Commission of Berkeley for the loan of slides of the San Francisco Playgrounds to be used in connection with the forthcoming Bond Issue for that purpose, was referred to the Secretary with the authorization to grant the use of the slides.

A communication was received from the Board of Education, advising the Playground Commission that its request for the use of the Basement floor of the Yerba Buena School in connection with the operation of the school playground, had been granted. Same was ordered filed.

A communication from the Board of Park Commissioners of the city of Cincinnati, requesting information relative to the operation of the San Francisco Playgrounds was referred to the Secretary to reply accordingly.

An application from Walter M. Pomeroy for the position of swimming instructor at the North Beach Playground was, on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Play Committee until such time as it is position need be filled.

Mr. Phillip Prior, principal of the Boy Vine School appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Janitor of that institution, Mr. Jacob Jacobs, at time that the increased duties of the Janitor brought about by the operation of the playground were deserving of some consideration. Mr. Prior recommended that the Playground Commission acknowledge this condition by allowing him $ 15.00 per month.

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On motion regularly moved and carried the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee to report at the next meeting.

Reports. The report of the Superintendent for the period from March 6th to 20th, including the following recommendations was approved;

Repairing the surface of the Handball court at North Beach Playground, calling for estimates for the construction of a filter and pumping system in connection with the swimming tank and the installation of a hot water system for the showers and basins, which was omitted in the original plans for the bath house, the work of excavating at the east end of the building, in order to avoid stairways from the boys entrance ; the placing of ball-bearing hangers on the swings at Hamilton, the installation of a slide at Holly Park, the construction of a sand box at the foot of same; progress at Excelsior including the completion of the fence, connection of the water system, obtaining estimates for the cost of the asphalt tennis court, play apparatus, and the plans and specifications for the field house.

The recommendation that a Rock-a-by and half a dozen baby swings be installed at Presidio Heights Playground at a cost of $ 140.00 was on motion, regularly moved and carried approved, and the Superintendent authorized to proceed with the installation of the new apparatus as specified.

Mr. T. A. Reardon of the Grounds Committee reported favorably on the desired improvements at North Beach Playground, as recommended at the last meeting.

The Play Committee offered no report on the recommendation of the vacancies to exist on April 1st, 1913.

A discussion relative to the transfer of the Easterly half of Hamilton Square to the Playground Commission resulted in a motion being offered, which was later withdrawn, on the recommendation of Commissioner Mc. Laren. Mr. McLaren advised that the Playground Commission investigate the matter of the acquirement with reference to this change, and the Superintendent was requested to inquire from all interested parties as to the advisability of the Playground Commission going to its present territory in that District.

Commissioner Mc. Laren recommended that the salary of Mr. Breitenbach, Foreman and Carpenter, be increased to $ 125.00 per month. On motion regularly moved, carried and [illegible] the matter was referred to the Finance Committee to report at the next meeting thereon.

Bills [illegible] for the month of March, and current bills to the amount of $ 1150.70 were approved and ordered paid; Labor $344.00.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Joseph Tinsley
Secretary.

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MEETING.

Notices having been forwarded to the members of the Commission announcing a meeting for this date failed to report a quorum.

Joseph Tinsley
Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 10th 1913.

MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners: D. O. Crowley, T. A. Reardon, Marshal Hale, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Absent — Commissioners: John McLaren, Miss Agnes G. Regan.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications.

A communication was received from Dr. Edward W. Stitt, District Superintendent, Department of Education, New York City, acknowledging copy of resolutions from the Playground Commiasion complimentary to his co-operation in the recent Playground and Recreation Congress; was ordered filed.

A communication from the San Francisco Turn Verein, inviting the members of the Playground Commission to attend the annual exhibition of the German system of Physical Culture, on the evening of April 13th at 8:00 p.m., was referred to the Secretary to acknowledge, and to state that the members of the Commission would evdeavor to be present on that occasion.

A Communication was received from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, petitioning the Playground Commission to assist in securing a site for playground purposes in the vicinity West of Van Ness Avenue and North of Broadway, same was referred to the Secretary to acknowledge with the information that a recommendation had been made to the Board of Supervisors for additional playgrounds, and that in the event of favorable consideration this district would be covered.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Office enclosing a copy of the report of the Committee on Parks and Playgrounds of the Grand Jury was ordered filed, and on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to forward the contents of same to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, directing their attention to the recommendation of the Grand Jury to the matter of extension.

Reports.

The report of the Superintendent covering the period from March 20th to April 3rd 1910, was approved with the following recommendations:

The construction of a four foot walk on the south and east side of the bath house, projecting into the boys side of the North Beach Playground

The erection of a flag-pole at Excelsior Playground; and

The construction of a small fence to enclose the lawn swings at Holly Park Playground.

The Superintendent further reported that a May Day Program is being prepared in anticipation of demonstrations at Presidio Heights, North Beach, Southside, Hamilton, Bay View and Jackson Playgrounds, to include

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Folk Dances and May Pole Dances, and in addition to cover all phases of the playground work.

With reference to the petition for securing the eastern half of Hamilton Square for playground purposes, it is further reported that the attitude of the neighborhood is being canvassed with reference to inviting an expression from the organizations in that locality as to their support of same.

Unfinished Business.

Mr. T. A. Reardon, Chairman of the Finance Committee reported that increased activities at the Bay View School, as a result of playground operations did not warrant the Janitors request for additional compensation, which expression is further substantiated by commissioner A. A. D'Ancona.

Commissioner T. A. Reardon further stated that the recommendation of Commissioner McLaren for an increase in salary to affect Edward Breitenstein would be given consideration at a later date, following an investigation of the finances of the Commission.

On the recommendation of the Play Committee, Mr. Marshal Hale, Chairman, it was regularly moved and carried that Miss Nannette Leavy and Miss Brenta Haynes be appointed substitute Directors at a salary of Fifty Dollars per month, commencing April 1st, 1913.

A discussion of the merit system of Directors having been inaugurated, it was the sense of the Commission that the student workers, Miss Ray Carol Kaplan, Miss Stella Harris, and Miss Margaret Foley, be continued as the best means of preparing competent Directors, and that these candidates be considered in the filling of subsequent vacancies.

Mr. Matson representing the Polk Street Improvement Association, appeared before the Commission in the interest of a playground for that locality, and requested that the site of the former Spring Valley School be improved for playground purposes consistent with a petition from that neighborhood. Mr. Matson was informed that this improvement was anticipated in the contemplated additions to the Playground Department during the coming fiscal year.

Mr. L. M. McBride appeared before the Playground Commission in the interest of that district West of Van Ness Avenue and North of Broadway, petitioning that some effort be made to procure playground space in that vicinity due to the encroaching activities of the Exposition. Mr. Mc Bride was assured that the Playground Commission appreciated the conditions of that district and were prepared to meet any opportunity which might affect conditions thereon.

Commissioner T. A. Reardon reported there having been a misunderstanding between the organized workers at Excelsior Playground site and the office, which had been satisfactorily adjusted. It was the sense of the Commission that every effort be made to avoid labor difficulties in the future operations of the Department.

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Demands

Demands to the amount of $ 2794.64 for the month, to date were approved and ordered paid.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Joseph M. Leavy
Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 24th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present — Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, T. A. Reardon, D. O. Crowley, Marshal Hale, Dr. D'Ancona,

Absent. — Commissioners, John McLaren, Agnes G. Regan.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications. A Communication was received from Miss Edna Hayward Director of Girls at the North Beach Playground, applying for a leave of absence; same was referred to the Play Committee, and on motion regularly moved and carried the petition was granted to take effect May 4th 1913, and to conclude November 4th 1913.

On the recommendation of the Play Committee it was regularly moved and carried that Miss Ray Carol Kaplan, be appointed to the position of substitute Director to fill the vacancy made by the absence of Miss Hayward, at a salary of $ 50.00 a month, beginning May 4th 1913.

A communication from J. C. Astredo, Chief Probation Officer of the Juvenile Court, inviting the co-operation of the Playground Commission in curbing delinquency developed as a result of boys street activities, opened a discussion on the part of the Commission, and on motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was instructed to arrange with the Juvenile Court in the matter of assisting along the following lines:

That the boys in question be provided with a card to be initialed by the Director of the Playgrounds to which the several boys are to report. The hour selected to be one which will prevent the boys going on the street for the purpose of playing.

A communication from the Mayor's Office inclosing a letter from Fred. D. Golding, complaining of the administration of the Presidio Heights Playground, and a copy of the Mayor's letter in reply.

The complaint was, on motion regularly moved and carried, referred to the Secretary to acknowledge, with the recommendation of the Superintendent that the petitioner had been deprived the use of the grounds because of irritating and annoying conduct.

A communication from the Twin Peaks Improvement Club, requesting the endorsement of the Playground Commission in a petition to the Finance

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Committee of the Board of Supervisors for an appropriation to improve the yard surrounding the Noe Valley School for play purposes, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply that the Playground Commission had included the estimate for the supervision of play at this School in their budget for 1913-14.

On motion regularly moved and carried, it was the sense of the Commission that an investigation of the probable water supply in the wells at the Southside Playground be invited with the idea of installing a pump and tank for the use of Southside Playground.

The Secretary reported that public bids had been invited for the installation of Circulating Filters at the Swimming Pool on the North Beach Playground, to be received in this office at the hour of 4 O'clock p.m., on this day, it is herewith recorded that no proposals were forth coming as a result of the notice to that effect.

The Secretary was directed to proceed with the purchase of the necessary filters from the California Jewell Filter Co., as described in their offer and under conditions named in the public advertisement.

Bids for the construction of the Field House at the Excelsior Playground as per public notice were received and opened in the Commission as follows:

John E. McCarthy	$ 2511.00
Mc.Sheehy Bros.....	7542.00
Monson Bros.....	2940.00
J. W. Carr.....	3033.00
C. P. Moore Building Co.....	3100.00
Hemmenway & Sewell.....	3117.00
F. W. Elliott.....	3124.00
M. M. Finlayson.....	3141.00
B. J. Duffy.....	3244.00

On motion regularly moved and carried, J. E. Mc Carthy was acknowledged the lowest bidder for the sum of $ 2500.00, and the Secretary was directed to enter into contract for the construction of the Field House, as per plans and specifications; upon the satisfactory investigation of the Contractors references.

The report of the Superintendent covering the period from April 10th to 30th inclusive was approved and ordered filed, as submitted.

Salary Schedule and Payroll bills for the month of April were approved as presented, the amount of same was $ 2442.05

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 8th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President Crowley presiding.

Present. Commissioners: M. S. Hayward, Rev. D. O. Crowley, T. A. Reardon, Dr.A.A.D'Ancona.

Absent. Commissioners: Agnes G. Regan, Marshal Hale, John McLaren.

MINUTES.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was ruled to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

Communications. A communication from W. R. Fuller Co. applying for a renewal of the present existing lease on the property of the Playground Commission at Seventh and Bryant Street, dating from July 1st 1912 to 1914 was on motion regularly moved and carried granted and the Secretary instructed to notify the Board of Supervisors accordingly.

Bids for the excavation and removal of all fill necessary to provide space for and the construction of a Boiler Room in connection with the Swimming Pool at the North Beach Playground, as per public advertisement were opened as follows:

Joseph J. Cuneo	$1276.00
C. L. Roberts	1294.00
B. J. Duffy	1344.00
J. W. Carr	1397.00
McSheehy Bros.	1614.00
McCabe & Brown	1750.00
E. S. Mulford	1886.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary and Superintendent in conference with Commissioner T. A. Reardon, were authorized to award a contract with Joseph J. Cuneo for the sum of $ 1276.00 for the performance of the above work.

Unfinished Business. A communication from the City Engineer incorporating an estimate for the cost of installing a motor, pump and water tank at the Southside Playground and stating that the cost of same would be approximately $2242.90

The Secretary was instructed by the Chair to consult with the members of the Commission and to proceed with the preparation of the specifications and the advertising for bids to be opened [illegible].

The Secretary announced that following the completion of Excelsior Playground there would be a probable surplus in the appropriation funds to meet the cost of water arrangements at Southside grounds.

A discussion of the appropriation for 1913-14 recommended by the Board of Supervisors in the preliminary arrangement of the Budget offered the opinion of the Playground Commission that the public explanation from the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors with reference to the Playground funds did not correctly relate the history of the Playground development. The Secretary was instructed to inquire as to the date of the

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public meeting and notify the members of the Commission accordingly.

On motion regularly moved and carried demands to date amounting to $ 4495.20 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business before the Commission the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4;55.

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 22nd 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m. President Crowley presiding.

Present. Commissioners: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Dr. A.A.D'Ancona, Mr. T. A. Reardon, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the meeting of April 24th and May 8th, were read and approved.

Communications

A communication from the Green Valley Improvement Club, petitioning the Playground Commission in a desire to take charge of the dedication at Excelsior Playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried, referred to the Secretary to reply that the Commission had prepared to arrange the exercises for that occasion and would greatly appreciate the cooperation of all the members of the Green Valley Improvement Club.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from May 8th to 22nd inclusive, covering construction and play activities was approved as read.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to obtain an estimate covering the cost of completing the South wall in connection with the bath house at the North Beach Playground, it being the sense of the Commission that the swimming tank should be entirely enclosed. It was suggested that the Superintendent present the above information at the next regular meeting.

It was regularly moved and carried that the Board of Education be informed of the desire of the Commission to utilize the space now occupied by the temporary Girl's High School, and that means for removing the present structure be considered following its vacancy on June 7th. It was the opinion of the Play Committee that the building might be utilized in the interest of playground work, and the matter was referred to their attention.

In anticipation of the annual Independence Day celebration, it was regularly moved and carried that the Chair appoint a committee to co-operate with the general committee to obtain an appropriation from the regular fund to assist in a fitting celebration on the playgrounds. The President appointed the following commissioners, Marshal Hale, Dr. D'Ancona, T. A. Reardon, Mrs. M. S. Hayward and Miss Agnes Regan.

The explanation from the manager of the "Peoples Place Settlement", by Rev. D. O. Crowley, in the matter of offering their enterprise to the Playground Commission, was on motion regularly moved and carried agreed that the Play Committee be delegated to confer with Messers, Wheeler, Adams, and Bentley representing that institution, and that the Secretary ar-

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range the appointment accordingly.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Claire Evans director of the Bay View Schoolyard Playground, was appointed to the position of director of Girl's at the Excelsior Playground, commencing June 1st, 1913 at a salary of $ 75.00 per month.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Margaret Foley and Miss Stella Harris were appointed to the positions of substitute directors, commencing June 1st, 1913, at a salary of $ 50.00 per month.

It was recommended by the Superintendent that Edward Penaluna director at Holly Park Playground be placed in charge of Excelsior on June 1st, and that the vacancy at Holly Park be filled by a male applicant. Mr. Eugene Richards appeared before the Commission as an applicant for the proposed vacancy at Holly Park.

The matter of adjusting the transfer of play directors necessitated by the vacancy at Holly Park, and Bay View Schoolyard Playground and other anticipated changes was referred to the Superintendent and the Play Committee to adjust by June first.

As directed at a previous meeting the Superintendent reported having arranged with the Juvenile Court to assist in theparole of boys from that institution, through the co-operation of the Playground Directors. Details to be completed with Mr. Astredo, chief probation officer.

A discussion as to the disposal of the present tiled house on the North Beach Playground resulted in no action, the removal or continued use of same being left to the discretion of the Play Committee, to decide at a later date.

Salary demands and correct bills to the amount of $ 413.47 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Leopold Kirby
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 12th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m. President D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present. Commissioners: Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mr. John McLaren, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. T. A. Reardon, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Absent. Commissioner: Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication. A communication from the North Beach Promotion Association, requesting that it be allowed to co-operate in the dedication of the swimming tank at the North Beach Playground, to the extent of holding these exercises under its auspices, was referred to the Secretary to acknowledge, and to state that the Playground Commission had made no preparation for these ceremonies, and are not disposed to present this dedication other than under arrangements prepared by this department.

A communication from the Board of Education, acknowledging receipt of a note from the Playground Commission in the matter of its wishes respecting the removal of the temporary building at Hamilton Playground, was referred to " New Business".

A communication from the Happy Day Home, 2440 Hyde St., soliciting the co-operation of the Playground Commission in the matter of discarded apparatus to be used on the Playground located at Bay Street near Columbus Avenue. On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to offer such assistance as practical, and the Secretary instructed to notify the Happy Day Home accordingly.

A communication from the Mayor's Office calling attention to Section 9, Article XVI, of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, and urging the necessity of a strict compliance therewith, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the same.

A communication from the Mayor's Office enclosing an application from Miss Mary E. McCloskey, of 1327 Larkin Street, for the position of Director on the Playgrounds, was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge the receipt of same.

A communication addressed to Mrs. M. S. Hayward, by His Honor the Mayor, enclosing a letter from Mr. Franklin M. Leavy, in the interest of his

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sister Miss Nannette Leavy, was referred to the Secretary to reply and to incornorate the recent action of the Play Committee as it concerns promotions and transfers of the Playground Directors.

A communication from the Mayor's Office enclosing a letter from the " Woman's Political League of California, incorporating a suggestion as concerns the appointment of a superintendent, was referred to the Secretary to acknowledge accordingly.

A communication from Miss Ruth Duncan, Director of Girls at the Southside Playground, announcing her resignation, to take affect on June 30th 1913, was on motion regularly moved and carried accepted as presented, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the receipt of the same, with the regrets of the Commission, and appreciation of the services rendered by the retiring director.

On motion regularly moved And carried the request of the Board of Education as presented by President Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, for the continued use of the space occupied by the temporary Girls High School at Hamilton Playground, was approved and the Board of Education herewith granted the use of the area in question until October 1st, 1913.

The report of the Superintendent covering construction and play activities from May 26th to June 13th inclusive, was read, and on motion regularly moved and carried approved.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mc. Sheehy Bros., were authorized to proceed with the construction of a reinforced concrete wall on the South line of the swimming tank on the North Beach Playground, for a sum not to exceed $ [illegible].00.

The request from Cartwright and Mulford, Contractors for the Bath House at the Hays Street Playground; that the Commission approve of and accept the work done in question, and on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Play and Grounds Committee to review the same in conjunction with a representative from the Bureau of Architecture, as soon as the inspection shall be finished.

On motion regularly moved and carried the remaining [illegible] and plastering in the Hays Street Playground were ordered paid from the balance in the appropriation [illegible].

On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved that the Finance and Executive Committee meet on Wednesday June 18th at 9 O'clock a.m., for an inspection of the playgrounds and proposed improvements incorporated in the budget for the year.

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On motion regularly moved and carried a two weeks walking trip for the boys of Hamilton Playground under the auspices of Director Schantz was approved, as outlined in the report of the Superintendent.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Play Committee incorporating the following transfers to take affect June 8th 1913, was approved as follows:

Miss Brenta Haynes, Director of Girls at the Southside Playground at a salary of $ 75.00 per month; Miss Stella Harris, Director at the Bay View Schoolyard Playground, at a salary of $ 50.00 per month; Hulda Popper Director at the Yerba Buena Schoolyard Playground, at a salary of $ 50.00 per month; Miss Gertrude Freese to be transferred to the substitute list, at the present existing salary; Mr. Edward Penaluna to be transferred to Excelsior Playground, at a salary of $ 100.00 per month; Mr. Eugene Richards to be Director at the Holly Park Playground at a salary of $ 75.00 per month.

In a discussion of new business it was, proposed by Dr. A.A.D'Ancona of the Board of Education , that the Playground Commission consider the taking over and incorporating in its activities the operations of the Public Schools Athletic League , the appropriation provided for this department of the Board of Education funds to be transferred to the Playground Commission to cover the cost of the league as at present outlined, and that the Public Schools Athletic Leagues Director and assistants be transferred to the Playground Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Chair appointed, Commissioners Marshal Hale, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Rosso, the Superintendent and Secretary, to prepare a report and make a recommendation at the next regular meeting.

The proposal from the management of the Peoples Place Settlement, as outlined by Rev. D. O. Crowley at a previous meeting of the Playground Commission, and subsequently referred to the Secretary, was reported as having been arranged for discussion at a joint meeting of the Peoples Place Settlement, and the Playground Commission, at a later date. The Secretary stated that notification of the above meeting will be forthcoming in a few days.

Current bills and demands for the month of June to date, were approved and ordered paid, in the amount of $ 4372.07.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

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San Francisco. June 26th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President D. C. Crowley, presiding

Present — Commissioners: Mrs. M. S. Hayward, T. A. Reardon, Rev. D. C. Crowley, Dr. D'Ancona.

Absent — Commissioners: Miss Agnes S. Regan, Marshall Hale, John McLaren.

MINUTES.

The minutes of thepreviius meeting were read and approved.

Communications. A communication from the Mission Promotion Association requesting the Playground Commission to utilize the former site of the Marshall School at Nineteenth street and Angelica avenue, for playground purposes was referred to Dr.A.A.D'Ancona, President of the Board of Education, that he might ascertain the wishes of his department towards transferring the same to the Playground Commission. It was the sense of the Commission that the Board of Education assist in the proposed transfer of the site should they be favorably inclined.

An application for a position as Playground Director from Isabelle C. Walsh was referred to the Play Committee to act on at such time as the needs of the department might dictate.

An application from John Mulcaire for a position as Gardener was referred to the Grounds Committee to act in the event of additional help being required.

An application from Thomas J. Lahey for a position as Janitor was referred to the Grounds Committee to act at such time, as the department would need additional assistants.

A communication from the Yerba Buena Playground Club, expressing appreciation for the improvement made by the construction of a fence around the playground, and complimenting the work of the Director Miss Popper, was referred to the Secretary to acknowledge accordingly.

A communication from the Secretary Mr. Joseph R. Hickey, announcing his resignation to take affect July 15th 1913, was ordered filed and action in the same delayed until the next regular meeting.

Bids. Bids for the installation of a deep well pumping plant at the Southside Playground were received as follows:

Dorward Pump Co.	$ 796.85
Woodin & Little	780.00
Clot Christ Machine Co.	873.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the Dorward Pump Co. was authorized to proceed with the installation of the pump for the sum of $ 796.85, it was the opinion of the Commission that the proposal from this

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firm was the most efficient of those submitted.

Bids for the construction of a Tank tower and pump house at the Southside playground were received as follows:

Pacific Tank & Pump Co.----------	$ 1339.00
Monson Bros.----------	2185.00
Mc Sheehy Bros.----------	1542.00

The firm of Mc Sheehy Bros., appeared before the Commission in protest of the specifications, claiming that they called for figures in the above construction, and stating that same were insufficient. Following a discussion of the probable misunderstanding which might occur from the explanation of Mr. James McSheehy it was regularly moved and carried that Commission reject all bids in the matter of the construction of the Tank tower and pump house and that new figures be called for as soon as the necessary specifications could be prepared. It was the sense of the Commission that the new specifications be accompanied by a detailed drawing of the proposed work.

Reports.

Mr. T. A. Reardon, Chairman of the Grounds Committee reported favorably on the inspection of the Bath House at the North Beach Playground, and on motion regularly moved and carried the building was accepted as completed according to the plans and specifications.

The report of the Superintendent, as read, incorporating detailed improvements was approved.

Resolutions.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to ascertain the ground conditions at the Southside playground, in the matter of erecting the Tank, tower and pump house, to make the necessary borings.

It is herewith recorded that the the lowest estimate received for boring the deep well at the Southside playground, was submitted by Wm. H. Haley at a cost of $ 3.90 per lineal foot as outlined in specifications prepared by this office.

It was regularly moved and carried that the dedication of Excelsior Playground be postponed until a later date, and that the interested parties be notified accordingly.

It was regularly moved and carried that the selection of the Bathing suits for the North Beach Bath house be left to the Play Committee with power to act.

It was regularly moved and carried that all remaining funds unexpended from the appropriation for the use of the Playground Commission be designated for the development of the Marshall School Playground site, and the improvement of the Excelsior Playground in the placing of trees on the sidewalk line of the said property.

Mrs. R. C. Collins of Chicago an expert on Playground work and a teacher of dancing, appeared before the Commission in the interest of that form of recreation, with a plan to give instructions onthe San Francisco Playgrounds next Spring. Mrs. Collins report was favorably received. Definite action in

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matter postpned until a later date.

Demands for salaries and current bills for the month of June to the amount of $ 10,312.29 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Joseph R. Dickey
Secretary.

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San Francisco, July 10th 1913.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present — Commissioners, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, T. A. Reardon, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

Absent — Commissioners, John McLaren, Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication was received from the Grounds Committee of the Board of Education, signifying the intention of that department to cooperate with the Playground Commission in the matter of digging a well on the property now occupied by the Parental School, at Seventh and Harrison streets.

A communication was received from the City Attorney in reply to the request of the Secretary of the Playground Commission for an opinion as to the authorization of the City and County to dispose of Playground property purchased in a bond issue, with the information that such an exchange could only be made by amending the Charter of the City and County.

A communication was received from Miss Brenta Haynes, Director of girls at the Southside Playground, requesting the authorization of the Playground Commission for a camping vacation for the children of the Southside grounds, same was referred to new business.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was the sense of the Commission that this enterprise be disapproved, and that the Play Committee consider this plan in the future development of the department.

The applications of Miss Helen R. Ellis, and Miss Olga Atherton Mullen, were referred to the Play Committee to consider at such time as the needs of the department would require additional help.

The applications from Victor Ligda, Frank Lawler, and David W. Taylor, to be considered as candidates for the position of Secretary to the Playground Commission were referred to new business, and on motion regularly moved and carried, action in the matter postponed until the next regular meeting of the Commission, two weeks hence.

It was regularly moved and carried that no action be taken in the resignation of the present Secretary, and that a vacation period of two weeks be granted him.

It was regularly moved and carried that Miss Hagan act as Secretary pro-te:

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Reports.

The report of the Superintendent covering activities from June 26th to July 10th, 1913, was approved as read.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of Commissioner T. A. Reardon, and the Superintendent incorporating the approval of the Field House constructed at the Excelsior Playground, was accepted and bills covering the same ordered paid.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was authorized to purchase the necessary hardware to complete the Field House at Excelsior playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the recommendation of the Superintendent for three Student Directors to be added to the workers now in the employ of the Commission, was referred to the Play Committee to report at the next regular meeting.

The special committee appointed to investigate and report on the location of the proposed well at the Southside Playground, announced through the Chairman, Mrs. Hayward that this site had been satisfactorily selected and that work on the same was about to be inaugurated.

The applications from Cornelius C. Sullivan and Walter Pomeroy were considered for the appointment of Life Saver and Swimming Instructor at the North Beach Bath House, and on motion regularly moved and carried Cornelius C. Sullivan was appointed to the position commencing July 15th 1913, at a salary of $ 100.00 per month.

On motion regularly moved and carried the expense account incurred in the outing of the Boys of Hamilton Playground as presented in a bill from Brittain & Co., for the amount of $ 7.36. was on recommendation of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, rejected.

On motion regularly moved and carried the matter was referred to the Secretary with the recommendation that this item be adjusted by paying same from the balance remaining to the credit of the members of the camping trip.

Demands to the amount of $ 3933.76 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Joseph R. Riley
Secretary.

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Notices having been sent out for a meeting on July 24th, 1913 failed to record a quorum.

Joseph R. Riley
Secretary.

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San Francisco, July 31st 1913.

MEETING.

A special meeting for the transaction of regular business was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President Rev D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners — Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Mr. T. A. Reardon.

Absent — Commissioners — Mr. John McLaren, Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication from Mr. Fred A. Callis, President of the United States Life Saving Corps, petitioning the use of the Swimming Tank at the North Beach Playground for the use of his organization, as well as for the National Woman's Life Saving League of this city, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the same, stating that the Commission would consider this request at a later date, as the program for the operation of the Natatorium had not been adopted at this time.

A communication from Miss Gertrude Judd, withdrawing her application for a position as Director on the Playgrounds, was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to acknowledge same.

A communication from Mr. F. J. Churchill, Secretary of the Board of Public Works, requesting the co-operation of the Playground Commission in securing an appropriation from the Board of Supervisors, to cover costs involved in grading the streets surrounding the Excelsior Playground, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same with the information that a committee composed of Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, and Mr. T. A. Reardon would appear before the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors to assist in securing the necessary funds.

A communication was received from Mr. R. Kolby, enclosing a bill for $ 15.00 from Dr. J. A. Simpson for professional services rendered in the case of Rosie Kolby, whose arm was broken while playing on Jackson Playground; same was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply that the Playground Commission respectfully decline to pay this bill, as they were in no way responsible for the accident.

A communication from David W. Taylor, relative to his application for the position of Secretary to the Playground Commission, was ordered filed.

The applications of Mr. Bernard Power, Mr. John E. Lindsay, and Miss M. P. Hagan, to be considered as candidates for the position of Secretary to the Playground Commission were ordered filed. On motion reg-

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ularly moved and carried action in the matter was deferred until the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

Bids for the erection of the Tank Tower and Pump-house at the Southside Playground, were received as follows:

Mc Sheehy Bros.,	$ 1,542.00
Pacific Pipe and Tank Co	1,249.00

It was resolved on motion regualrly moved and carried that the contract should be awarded to the Pacific Pipe and Tank Co., provided a satisfactory report should be received as to the standing of the firm etc.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Play Committee as presented was approved; Miss Helen Roone Ellis, Miss Irene Hanlan and Mrs. Olga Atherton Mullen were appointed Student Workers on the Playgrounds.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Superintendent covering the period from July 10th to July 31st, inclusive was approved.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the resurfacing of Presidio Heights Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the revarnishing of the office at Presidio Heights Playground was referred to Commissioner T. A. Reardon with power to act.

Under a discussion of new business it was proposed by Mrs. M. S. Hayward that permission be granted to Mr. Robert Lundie to organize a Boys Club, and to Miss Ray Carol Kaplan to organize a club for Girls, on the North Beach Playground, and that the Commission consider a plan to utilize the old building on that site for a club house.

On motion regularly moved and carried the organization of the above mentioned clubs was sanctioned by the Commission, and the matter of fitting up the building in question was referred to Commissioners T. A. Reardon, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, and Superintendent G. A. Schlitter to report at the next regular meeting.

Mrs. Hayward further reported that Miss Ray Carol Kaplan, director of Girls at the North Beach Playground, was desirous of taking advantage of a course in Playground work at the University of California, which would necessitate her reaching the grounds at 1 o'clock in place of noon, for a period of three months. After a discussion of theproposal it was the sense of the Commission that permission be granted to Miss Kaplan to take the course in question, if in any way this plan interferred with the work on the playgrounds the privilege should be discontinued.

The report of the Secretary, Mr. Joseph R. Hickey, on the " Peoples Place Settlement was referred to the Play Committee.

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Salary demands and current expenses for the month of July to the amount of $ 4,861.23 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 o'clock.

M. Philomena Hagan

Acting Secretary.

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San Francisco, August 14th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present — Present Commissioners, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, T. A. Reardon, Marshal Hale.

Absent Commissioners John McLaren.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications. A Communication was received from Miss Zabaldano, requesting the Playground Commission to permit one of their student workers to devote several afternoons a week on the grounds operated under the auspices of the Happy Day Home. The Secretary of the Day Home also extended to the Commission the appreciation of that institution for the assistance rendered by the Superintendent Mr. George A. Schlitter in helping to plan the grounds.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to acknowledge the receipt of same, stating that the Commission was not in a position to spare any of the workers from the grounds, at the present time but would gladly co-operate with the management of the Happy Day Home wherever possible.

Communications were received from His Honor James Rolph, Jr., Mayor of the City and County, from Supervisor Ralph McLeran and Mr. Eustace Cullinan, acknowledging receipt of an invitation from the Playground to participate in the dedication of Excelsior Playground, same were read and ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Wm. Haley enclosing the log of the well at the Southside Playground, was read and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

A communication was received from Andrew J. Gallagher, requesting the Playground Commission to permit the San Francisco Labor Council to have the services of the Municipal Band on Labor Day, as the same had been scheduled for a concert at Jackson Playground on the day in question.

On motion regularly moved and carried the request of the Labor Council was granted, and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. Gallagher informing him that the Commission willingly waived the right to the band in favor of the Labor Council.

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A communication was received from J. B. Zimdars, in which he acknowledged the invitation of the Playground Commission to be present at the dedication of Excelsior Playground.

A communication was received from the Dorward Pump Co., in regard to the installation of the Pumping Machinery at the Southside Playground. Same was ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to notify the above firm that he would let them know at a later date just when the work in question might be commenced.

A communication from Mr. Sylvester McAtee, Assistant Secretary to the Mayor, enclosing a petition from the boys in the vicinity of Mc Allister and Buchanan Streets for a playground in that section of the city was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the boys that this Commission would co-operate with them in securing a playground in that neighborhood.

A communication from Mr. A. E. Richter, enclosing an application for the position of Secretary to the Playground Commission was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Superintendent covering a period from July 31st to August 14th 1913, inclusive, was adopted as presented.

The recommendation of the Superintendent for the installation of a sand-box and slide at the Yerba Buena Schoolyard Playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Board of Education for the sanction of that department.

The resignation of Mr. Joseph R. Hickey, as Secretary to the Commission, was accepted as presented, the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Hickey accordingly, expressing the appreciation of the Commission for the faithful and efficient work performed by him in the interest of the department ever since his affiliation with the same, and to further state that it was with regret that the resignation had been accepted.

The question of selecting a successor to Mr. Hickey was discussed in executive session, the result of which was the selection of Mr. Frank A. Lawler for the position of Secretary to the Commission commencing August 16th 1913.

Mrs. Daly and Mrs. Fay of the Sunnyside Improvement Club appeared before the Commission requesting the co-operation of the department in securing a Schoolyard Playground at the Sunnyside School, or the installation of apparatus at Balboa Park.

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Under a discussion of new business the question of adopting a definite plan of operation for the Swimming Tank at the North Beach Bath house was introduced with the result that the washing of towels, suits etc. was referred to the play committee for report at the next regular meeting.

Demands and current expenses for the month , to date were approved and ordered paid to the amount of $ 1132.11.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

W. Philomine Hagan

Acting Secretary.

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San Francisco, August 28th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour 3:30 p.m. President D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present:	Commissioners,	Rev. D.O.Crowley, Mrs. M.S.Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. T.A.Reardon, Mr. Marshal Hale.
Absent:	Commissioners,	Mr. John McLaren, Dr. A.A.D'Ancona.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications.

A Communication was received from Mr. J.C.Astredo, Chief Probation Officer, in regard to the resumption of folk dance classes at the detention home. Same was referred to the Play Committee.

A communication was received from Mr. Andrew J. Gallagher thanking the Commission for granting the San Francisco Labor Council the use of the Municipal Band on Labor Day. Same was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Sadie Baird of Ruskin Nebraska requesting a report on the supervision of play in the graded schools. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of same, giving such information as he might have at his disposal, also enclose a report of the Playground Commission for the year 1912.

A communication was received from R.S.Gray, Chairman of the Library Committee of the Commonwealth Club of California, requesting information as to the best means of obtaining a copy of the annual report of the Playground Commission to the Mayor. The Secretary was directed to reply to same giving the desired information.

A communication was received from Thomas F. Boyle, Auditor of the City and County, regarding the number of pay checks necessary for this department up to and including December 1913. The Secretary was directed to answer same.

The report of the Superintendent covering the period from August 14th to 28th inclusive was approved as read.

On motion regularly moved and carried a committee consisting of Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Hale and Mr. Schlitter was directed to confer with regard to the apparatus for the Yerba Buena Schoolyard Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Commission have decided that for sanitary reasons, only the suits and towels supplied by the Playground Commission will be allowed in the Bath House at the North Beach Playground

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and that a fee of 5¢ should be charged for the use of a suit and towel, except that on one Saturday of each month suits and towels would be free to the boys, and that the same rule should apply to the girls on the following week.

On motion regularly moved and carried the contract for the washing of the suits and towels used in connection with the Swimming Tank at the North Beach Bath House, as well as the repair of same, was awarded to the National Laundry Co., at the following prices:

Girls Suits----------2¢
Boys Trunks----------2¢
Towels----------1/¢

On motion regularly moved and carried all bids for theerection of the tank tower and pump house at the Southside Playground were rejected. Mr. Reardon and Mr. Schlitter were appointed to select new plans for the tank tower and pump house aforesaid.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Schlitter was directed to construct a sandbox and slide at the Bay View Schoolyard Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Schlitter and Mrs.Hayward were appointed to select and have installed, a drinking fountain on the girls section of the North Beach Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the sum of $ 20.00 was appropriated to cover the cost of mailing the Playground Reports.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Schlitter and Mr. Lawler were appointed to procure estimates on the cost of a rotary mimeograph.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was decided to have the formal opening of the Swimming Tank at the North Beach Playground on Sunday August 31st 1913. Mr. T.A. Reardon was appointed to represent the Playground Commission. The Secretary was directed to notify His Honor James Rolph,Jr., and the North Beach Promotion Association that it was the desire of the Playground to have their participation in the program on that occasion.

On motion regularly moved and carried a committee consisting of Mrs. Hayward, Miss Regan and Mr. Hale was appointed to discuss on September 16th, 1913, with a committee from the Peoples Place Settlement, the advisibility of the Playground Commission taking over the supervision and the property of the Peoples Place Settlement.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Hagan was allowed an additi n $ 37.50 for each half month she acted as Secretary to this Commission.

Salaries and current bills to the amount of # 3952.25 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Frank McCarthy
Secretary.

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San Francisco, September 11th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

PRESENT — Commissioners: Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. T. A. Reardon.

ABSENT — Commissioners: Dr. A.A.D'Ancona, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from his honor, James Rolph Jr., expressing regret at his unavoidable absence from the dedication of the North Beach Bath house. Same was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Mary C. Healey, 1193 Dolores, asking for information with regard to the requirements of playground supervisors. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge same, giving the desired information.

A communication was received from Mrs. Ivy D. Ostrom, Secretary of the American Teachers Council, expressing the willingness of that organization to co-operate with the Playground Commission wherever possible. Same was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Haynes, director of Girls at Southside Playground, requesting permission to arrange a game of baseball for the girls of the Southside Playground. The Secretary was directed to reply, with the information that said request was granted.

REPORTS.

The report of the Superintendent covering the period from August 28th to September 11th inclusive, was approved as presented, including the following recommendations: The placing of concrete steps at the side of the tennis court at the North Beach Playground, and the re-arrangement of the showers at Excelsior.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to erect a handball court at Excelsior Playground at a cost not to exceed $ 250.00.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was instructed to notify Mr. Sullivan, that all children, who in his judgment were over fifteen years of age, should be excluded from the bath house at North Beach.

On motion regularly moved and carried, it was resolved that Student Workers should be kept on the grounds, as it was not a part of their duties to distribute the suits and towels in the- bath house at North Beach Playground.

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On motion regularly moved and carried, Mr. Schlitter and Mr. Reardon were appointed to select plans and specifications and advertise for bids for the construction of the tank, tower and pump house at Southside Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried, it was resolved to purchase A No. 77 Edison Rotary Mimeograph, at a cost of $ 60.00

On motion regularly moved and carried, bills and current expenses to the amount of $ 538.28 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank A Lawla

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 25th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley, President presiding.

Present.

Commissioners: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. T. A. Reardon.

Commissioners: Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications.

A communication was received from Miss Ruby E, Parrish, 826 Twentieth Street, Oakland, asking for information on Schoolyard Playgrounds Same was ordered filed and the secretary instructed to reply giving the information desired.

A communication was received from the Mission Promotion Association requesting the Playground Commission to consider the matter of installing a swimming pool on the site of the former Marshal School site. The Secretary was directed to reply to same, asking the assistance of the Mission Promotion Association in securing the construction of a cistern by the Fire Department on the property in question, same to be used as a swimming pool.

A communication was received from George Andrews petitioning the Playground Commission to grant the use of the Bath House at the North Beach Playground to the members of the Fire Department between the hours of 8 O'clock a.m. and 12 M. Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays excepted. The Secretary was directed to reply to same, stating that it was the sense of the Commission that the Swimming Pool was for the use of grammar school children only, hence the petition would have to be denied.

A communication was received from the Fay Improvement Company, in reference to the Seventh street frontage of the Southside Playground, same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

The report of the Superintendent from the period of September 11th to 25th inclusive, covering construction and activities, same was approved as presented.

The report of the Play Committee in reference to the proposition offered by the representatives of the Peoples Place Settlement was, that the proposition as presented by the latter should be accepted by the Playground Commission, subject to the approval of the City and County Attorney as to the legality of the proceedings.

On motion regularly moved and carried the proposition as presented was accepted.

The report of the Committee having charge of the plans and specifications for the tank, tower and pump house at the Southside Playground, was that adequate plans had not been secured, and that bids should not be received until such time as the proper plans were available.

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On motion regularly moved and carried it was decided to postpone the acceptance of bids, until such time as plans and specifications were ready, when a special meeting should be called to receive bids which might be presented for the tank, tower and pump house at Southside Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to confer with the Board of Public Works, to see what could be done in the matter of sidewalks on the Seventh street frontage of the Southside Playground.

Under a discussion of new business Mr. Reardon was delegated to take up with the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, the matter of having the receipts of the North Beach Bath house placed to the credit of the Playground Commission.

The question of equiping either Balboa Park or Sunnyside Schoolyard for a Playground was discussed. It was the sense of the Commission that a Committee should be appointed to investigate the proposition and report as to the feasibility of equiping either place mentioned for a playground.

Mr. Williamson of the Devisadero Street Improvement Club appeared before the Commission requesting that this Board co-operate with the Devisadero Improvement Club in securing the removal of the temporary building located on the Hamilton Playground, and used by the Hamilton Grammar School. It was the sense of the Commission that it would be an imposition on the part of this Department to take this site away from the Board of Education at the present time, owing to the fact that the new school is not ready for occupancy.

Salaries and current expenses for the month of September to the amount of $3,859.00

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, October 3rd 1913.

SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission , for the purpose of receiving bids for the Tank, tower and pump house, to be erected at Southside Playground, was called to order this day at the hour of 4 O'clock p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present	Commissioners	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. T. A. Reardon.
Absent	Commissioners	Mr. Marshal Hale, Dr. A.A.D'Ancona, John Mc Laren.

Bids were received and opened as follows:

Mc Sheehy Bros.,	$ 1398.00
M. M. Finlayson,	1495.00
Pacific Tank & Pipe	1249.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the Pacific Tank and Pipe Co., were declared the lowest bidders and the contract awarded to them for the sum above mentioned viz: One Thousand Two Hundred and Forty-nine Dollars ($1249.00).

Mr. Reardon wished to be recorded as having voted in the negative, on account of labor troubles with the Pacific Tank and Pipe Co.

There being no further business to be discussed at this meetin same adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, October 9th 1913.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Commissioners Rev. D.O. Crowley, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, John Mc Laren.

Absent Commissioners T.A. Reardon, Agnes G. Regan, Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read with the following amendment. That section which reads " Mr. Williamson of the Devisadero Street Improvement Club appeared before the Playground Commission requesting that this Board, co-operate with the Devisadero Street Improvement Club in securing the removal of the temporary building located on the Hamilton Playground, and used by the Hamilton Grammar School. It was the sense of the Commission that it would be an imposition on the part of this department to take this site away from the Board of Education at the present time, owint to the fact that the new school is not ready for occupancy." to be altered to read --- A committee from the Devisadero Street Improvement Club appeared before the Playground Commission and requested that body to have the temporary building now located on the property of the Hamilton Playground removed when the period of time granted by the Playground Commission for such occupancy, viz October 1st 1913, should have expired. It was the sense of the Commission that no further extension of time should be granted to the Board of Education.

The Minutes of the special meeting of October 3rd 1913, were approved as read, and on motion regularly moved and carried the action taken at said meeting was approved.

Communication

A communication was received from T.M.C. Black, Montreal Canada, asking for information and data relative to the San Francisco Playgrounds, same was referred to the Secretary for reply and with instructions to forward such information as he might have at his disposal.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Happy Day Home, asking the co-operation of the Playground Commission, in securing the defeat of a permit to open a saloon at the corner of Bay and Columbus Avenues. It was the sense of the Commission that all saloons in close proximity to Playgrounds should be disapproved, and the Secretary was directed to answer the communication to that effect.

A communication was received from the Current Event Film Company, requesting that the Playground Commission set aside a day on which pictures might be taken of the Swimming Tank at the North Beach Bath House, this request was denied and the Secretary directed to reply accordingly.

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A communication was received from Mr. L.C. Tvehn, wherein he requested information on Playground Work. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward the desired information.

A letter was received from the Auditor Mr. Thomas F. Boyle, stating that he was in receipt of a communication from the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, stating that all moneys deposited by the Playground Commission as receipts from the North Beach Bath House, were to be placed to the credit of the Playground Commission, as soon as the necessary requirments were filed.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of same, and to take such steps as would be necessary to have the funds placed to the credit of this department.

A communication was received from Mrs. Ray P. Alexander stating that while riding on Post street in her automobile, the wind shield on same was broken by a ball which had been batted from the Hamilton Playground, Mrs. Alexander further stated that she would look to the Playground Commission to pay for same. Action in this matter was deferred until such time as a Committee composed of Mrs. M. S. Hayward and George A. Schlitter should receive the opinion of the City and County Attorney in the matter.

A communication from Dr. W.J.C. Dawson of the Sonoma State Home relative to placing Jack Flanigan in the home, was ordered filed.

The report of the Superintendent covering the period from September 25th to October 9th inclusive, was approved as read.

In the matter of acquiring a playground site in the Sunnyside District, or equipping the Balboa Park to be used as a playground, Mrs. Hayward reported for her Committee, that owing to the limited funds, and the fact that Balboa Park was under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission, the Playground Commission would be unable at this time to take any action in the matter.

On motion [illegible] moved and carried Mrs. O.A. Mullen was appointed to have charge of the Bath House at the North Beach Playground, at a salary of $ 10.00 per month, commencing October 1st 1913. Her duties to consist of [illegible] charge of all towels received, the distribution of suits and towels, the sending of same, also to take of all laundry sent out and returned.

Bills and current accounts for the month to the amount of $ 671.23 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:47 p.m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, Oct. 23rd 1913.

MEETING.

Notices having been sent out for a meeting on the above date failed to record a quorum.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, October, 30th 1913.

MEETING.

A special meeting for the transaction of regular business, was called for this date at 3:30 p.m.

Present: Commissioners T. A. Reardon, Agnes G. Regan, D. O. Crowley.

Absent Commissioners John Mc Laren Marshal Hale, Dr. A.A.D'Ancona, Mrs. M. S. Hayward.

In the absense of a quorum only such business as was absolutely necessary was taken up, this to be subject to the approval of the Board at the next regular meeting.

The opinion of the City Attorney relative to the matter of a glass which was broken on an Automobile, the property of Mrs. Rae P. Alexander was ordered filed, and a copy of the opinion mailed to the interested party.

The request of Miss Frances E. Ware, Director at the Hamilton Playground, for a leave of absence for a period of four months, commencing December 1st 1913, was granted.

John Miller an employee working on the Jackson Playground was granted the rating of Gardener and compensation accordingly.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from October 9th to 30th inclusive was approved as presented.

Demands and current expenses for the month amounting to $ 4584.52, and the sum of $ 920.00 second payment on the Filters at the North Beach Bath House, were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15

T A Reardon

Secretary.

Playground Commission

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San Francisco, November 13th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

Present. Commissioners, Rev. D.C. Crowley, T. A. Rossdon, Marshal Hale, Mrs. Hayward, Miss Reed, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona

Absent. Commissioner John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved.

Notices having been sent out for a special meeting to be held on October 30th, failed to record a quorum. The members of the Commission who were present met as a committee of the whole for the transaction of necessary business.

On motion regularly moved and carried the action of said committee of the whole were ratified and order & incorporated in the minutes.

Communications

A communication was received from Miss G. King, requesting permission for the children of the North Beach Playground to participate in a benefit for the Seamen's Institute. This request was granted, and the Secretary instructed to notify Miss King of the action of the Commission.

Also from the Pacific Pipe and Tank Co., offering to install an additional reversible window, a swinging door, and a manhole in the roof of the Fire House which is being erected at the Sunnyside Playground, for the sum of $ 21.50, this offer was accepted and the Secretary instructed to notify the Pacific Pipe and Tank Co., to proceed with the work above mentioned.

Also from the Mothers Club of the Emerson School, from the Exposition Valley Improvement Club, and the joint Committee of the Spring Valley School requesting the Playground Committee to establish a Playground on the former site of the Spring Valley School on Broadway near Polk Ste.,

Mr. Maxson President, of the Ina Street Improvement Club filed application for the Playground in the Richmond District.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Grounds Committee of the Playground Commission was instructed to confer with the Superintendent in relation and prepare maps for Allegation of Fact in the matter. The Secretary was directed to notify the interested parties accordingly.

Also a communication from Mr. Zoeth S. Eldridge, protesting against the proposed pier in the Ocean Beach, and was referred filed.

Also a communication from the South Mission Promotion Association, calling the attention of the Playground Commission to the fact that the Bowdoin field in Excelsior Playground is being used by boys. Same was referred to the Superintendent for attention.

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Also a communication from Mr. Daniel Lynch, asking consideration as an applicant for a position with the Playground Commission, same was referred to the Play Committee, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Also from the Board of Public Works, in regard to the paving of the sidewalk at Geary and Scott Sts., same was ordered filed.

Reports. The report of the Superintendent for the period from October 30th to November 13th, with the recommendation that a wire guard should be placed on the East and South side of the roof of the field house at Southside Playground, was approved.

The Play Committee, Mr. Marshal Hale Chairman recommended that the Bath House at North Beach Playground should be closed during the rainy season.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Swimming Tank was ordered closed, but the showers to remain in operation as heretofore.

It was also recommended that the salaries of all employees in this department who had served for a period of one year, should be raised from $ 60.00 to $ 75.00 per month.

On motion regularly moved and carried the recommendation was adopted.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Foley was, on the recommendation of the Play Committee, appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by Miss Ware, Director of Hamilton Playground, going on a four months leave of absence, commencing December 1st 1913.

The Play Committee also recommended that time sheets should be maintained on all grounds, and that a petition be furnished with a list of play supplies to be used on all playgrounds the day on which they are in charge.

On motion regularly moved and carried the above recommendation was adopted and the Secretary instructed to notify the various Directors accordingly.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to [illegible] the Commission recommended under one head.

[illegible] approved for the month to date, amounting to $ [illegible].

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of [illegible] p.m.

F A Lavelle

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 26th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present — Commissioners, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. T. A. Reardon, Mr. Marshal Hale.

Absent — Commissioner Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read, with the following amendment.

That section in the report of the Play Committee which reads " it is also recommended that the salaries of all employees in this department who have served for a period of one year should be raised from $ 60.00 to $75.00 per month, to be altered to read " It is also recommended that the salaries of all Play Directors in this department who have served for a period of one year should be raised from $ 60.00 to $ 75.00 per month.

Communications — A communication was received from the Board of Education stating that the Playground Commission might utilize the space formerly occupied by the Spring Valley School, for a playground, until such time as the Board of Education had further need of same.

The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge receipt of same, expressing the appreciation of this department for the courtesy extended by the Board of Education in granting the Playground Commission the use of the above mentioned space.

Also a communication from the Juvenile Protective Association requesting the Playground Commission to establish a playground on one half of Jefferson Square.

The Secretary was directed to reply to same and to state that the Playground Commission had already petitioned the Park Commission for the use of the area in question, which petition had been denied.

Also a communication from Mr. James H. O'Brien recommending the appointment of Miss Helen Roome Ellis for a position with the Playground Commission, same was referred to the Play Committee.

Report — The Report of the Superintendent for the period from November 13th to 26th inclusive was approved as read.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Schlitter was directed to proceed with the installation of all necessary plumbing connections for the operation of the water system at the Southside Playground; Mr. Schlitter was further instructed to confer with Battalion Chief Maxwell of the Fire Department relative to the installation of a fire plug to be used in connection with the Tank, Tower and Pump House at the Southside Playground.

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On motion regularly moved and carried, Mr. Schlitter was instructed to secure estimates covering the cost of surfacing North Beach Playground, and to confer with the grounds committee on same.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Schlitter and President D. O. Crowley were appointed to visit the Yerba Buena Schoolyard Playground, with the idea of determining the advisibility of erecting a supply room, on the grounds, and equipping same with a telephone.

On Motion regularly moved and carried Mrs. M. S. Hayward and Miss Agnes Regan were appointed to select the required chairs and tables for the field house at the North Beach Playground.

Bills and current expenses to the amount of $ 3469.34 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

J A Lauder
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 11th 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present	Commissioners	Rev. D. O. Crowley, T. A. Reardon, Mrs. Hayward, Miss A. G. Regan, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona.
Absent	Commissioners	Mr. Marshal Hale, John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications.

A communication from the Devisadero Street Improvement Association requesting the Playground Commission to secure the whole of Hamilton Square to be used for play purposes, was referred to the Grounds Committee.

A communication from the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Club, protesting against the Playground Commission utilizing all of Hamilton Park for a playground, was ordered filed.

A communication from the Women Directors of the Playgrounds, respectfully requesting the Commission to consider closing the playgrounds on Christmas Day, was referred to the Play Committee.

A communication was received from Bolander and Hallawell, explaining the charges for the work which had been done on the Flag Pole at the Southside Playground, same was ordered filed, and on motion regularly moved and carried the demand ordered paid.

A communication was received from Mr. Thomas Gosland, of 117 Somerset Street stating that block NO. 28 University Mound District was available for playground purposes for the sum of $ 18,000, should the Playground Commission feel disposed to purchase same. This letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same stating the Commission could take no action in this matter, as no appropriation had been made in the budget for 1913-14.

The resignation of Olga Atherton Mullen from the employ of the Commission to become effective December 1st 1913, was accepted with regret.

Reports.

The Play Committee reported having made the following purchases for the North Beach Playground as per instructions received at the previous meeting of the Commission. Three Dozen chairs at $.90¢ a piece, two large tables and one small table.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from November 26th to December 11th 1913, was adopted as presented, and Mr. Schlitter authorized to proceed with the installation of a hood over the back stop of the baseball diamond, at Bay View Schoolyard Playground, to prevent balls from carrying into the streets and breaking windows.

Mr. Schlitter was further authorized to secure estimates covering the

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cost of flooring the pump house at Southside Playground.

Current bills to the amount of $ 434.38 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

J G Lowles

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 31st 1913.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present	Commissioners,	Miss Agnes Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, T. A. Reardon, Rev. D. O. Crowley.
Absent	Commissioners	Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Marshal Hale, Dr. A.A.D'Ancona.

MINUTES.

On motion regularly moved and carried the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with

Mr. Wollner representing the Boy Scouts of America addressed the Commission in the interest of that organization andpresented a program showing how the work of the Boy Scouts could be successfully carried out on the various playgrounds throughout the city.

A communication was received from the Park Commission enclosing letters from the Divisadero Street Improvement Club, and the Fillmore Street Improvement Association relative to the operation of Hamilton Square as a playground. Same was ordered filed.

Also from the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association protesting against the use of Hamilton Square for playground purposes. Same was read and ordered filed.

A communication was received from Creus Gannon relative to the improvement of the former site of the California Womens Hospital on Sacramento street, same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Also from the Pacific Pipe and Tank Co. enclosing bills for the work performed by that company at Southside Playground. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the Commission did not feel inclined to honor these bills until such time as the entire work called for in the contract had been performed.

Report of the play committee regarding the closing of the grounds on December 25th(1913) was ordered filed.

The report of Mr. W. D. Kendrick, inspector in charge of construction of the tank tower and pump house at Southside Playground was read and ordered filed.

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On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to arrange for a meeting with Mr. Kraemer, Wm. H. Haley, Mr. Dorward, and Mr. Kendrick, at Southside Playground on Tuesday, January 6th 1914, at 4 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of demonstrating to the members of the Commission the operation of the pump.

The report of Mr. D.O'Neil regarding the flow of water in the well at Southside Playground was ordered filed.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from December 11th to 31st inclusive was approved as read, and the following recommendations endorsed.

1. The repair of the back wall of the Hand Ball Court at North Beach.
2. The acceptance of the bid of the Pacific Fence Construction Co. for $ 97.50 in the matter of extending the South wall of the Bath House.
3. The purchase of 100 chairs for the Auditorium at Southside Playground.
4. Plans for the Bath House at Nineteenth and Angelica streets were approved and the Superintendent instructed to turn same over to the office of the City Architect to have specifications drawn accordingly.
5. The leveling off of the grounds of the former site of the Spring Valley School, Broadway near Polk Street.

On motion regularly moved and carried permission for the use of the Auditorium at Jackson Playground, in which to present a prize to the most popular young lady of the Potrero district was denied, and the following rule adopted by the Commission.

No entertainment shall be held in any Auditorium of Field House under the jurisdiction of this Commission without permission therefor being first obtained from the Playground Commission.

Bills and salary demands for the month of December to the amount of $ 3953.01 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

J A Laurla
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 8th 1914.

SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission for the purpose of electing a President for the ensueing year, according to the Rules and regulations of the Playground Commission, was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present	Commissioners,	Rev. D.O.Crowley, T. A. Rerdon, Dr. A.A.D'Ancona, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Absent	Commissioners	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren.

On motion regularly moved and carried nominations were declared open, and the count of the ballot resulted in the election of Rev. D.O. Crowley President of the Commission for the year 1914, and the Secretary directed to cast the ballot accordingly.

A communication was received from the Dorward Pump Co. offering to reduce the speed of the pump to about one-third its present capacity and to put same in working order for the sum of $ 160.70. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that the proposition as outlined in their letter of January 7th was acceptable to this Commission, and to further state that the Dorward Pump Co were authorized to proceed with the work in question.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following resolution was adopted:

That the Board of Education be requested to remove the building on Hamilton Square not later than April 1st 1914, and that the Board of Education be requested to leave the grounds in the same condition they were in when this space was turned over to that body as per contract with the Playground Commission.

The Secretary was directed to forward a copy of the above resolution to the Board of Education.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following rule was adopted by the Commission:

The requisitions for all extraordinary supplies must be first approved by the Commission before the purchase of same.

There being no further business before the Commission the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

J A Laurla
Secretary.

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 15th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present — Commissioners: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. T. A. Reardon, Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, Mrs. L. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Absent — Commissioners: Mr. Marshall Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The resignations of Mr. T. A. Reardon and Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, as members of the Playground Commission were accepted, and on motion regularly moved and carried a vote of appreciation was extended the retiring members, and that a copy of same be spread on the minutes of the Commission

The following is the resolution;

Resolution. "WHEREAS, Because of appointment to the Board of Public Works, Mr. T. A. Reardon resigns his position as a member of the Playground Commission and

Whereas; Dr. A. A. D'Ancona is succeeded by the new President of the Board of Education as ex-officio member of the same Commission,

Therefore Be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Playground Commission express our regret at the loss of two such efficient members and extend to Mr. T. A. Reardon and Dr. A. A. D'Ancona a vote of thanks for their generous services and unfailing courtesy as members of the Commission, and

Be It Further

Resolved, that this resolution be made a part of the minutes of the proceedings of this Commission, that a copy thereof be forwarded to Mr. T. A. Reardon and Dr. A. A. D'Ancona. "

New Commissioners. Dr. A. A. D'Ancona, presented his successor, Mr. George E. Gallagher who as President of the Board of Education is ex-officio a member of the Playground Commission,

Mr. John C. Kortick presented his credentials of appointment by the Mayor, vice T. A. Reardon, resigned, the new members being duly seated, the Commission proceeded with the regular business before the Board.

Communications. A Communication was received from the Emerson Mothers Club relative to the removal of the temporary buildings on the Hamilton Playground, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the interested parties that this Board had already requested the Board of Education to remove the building in question.

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A communication was received from the California Federation of Womens Clubs endorsing the proposal to convert all of Hamilton Square into a playground, same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Also a communication from the Board of Supervisors, notifying the Playground Commission that it would be necessary to place on file on or before February 15th 1914, a list of all supplies, materials, stationery, printing books etc., which would be required by the department the ensueing year. On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to prepare the list and present same to the Finance Committee for approval.

A communication was received from the Dorward Pump Co., stating that they were prepared to proceed with the work of repair on the Pump at the Southside Playground for the sum of $ 160.70 as per correspondence on file in the office of the Commission, and as per instructions received from this Board.

A communication was received from the Pacific Pipe and Tank Co. asking for a partial payment on their contract. It was the sense of the Commission that no provision had been made in the original contract for partial payments this request could not be granted until such time as all the work called for in the contract is completed. The Secretary was directed to notify the Pacific Pipe and Tank Co., accordingly.

A communication was received from the Boys Section of the Recreation League Committee, copy of letter sent to the Board of Education requesting the removal of the temporary building on Hamilton Square. Same was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Report.

The Report of the Superintendent for the period from December 21st 1913 to and including January 15th 1914, was presented and read and the following recommendations approved.

1. That the Spring Valley School site should be made level.

On motion regularly moved, seconded and carried the Superintendent was directed to secure [illegible] dirt for filling from the contractor for the Stockton Street Tunnel.

2. The Superintendent was directed to secure estimates for the cost of [illegible] lockers in the Swimming Tank at the North Beach Playground.

3. Regarding the erection of [illegible] at Nineteenth and Angelica, [illegible] of Mr. J. J. Rossini and Mr. George A. Schlitter was referred to Inspector Mr. Nott of the Bureau of Architects concerning the plans for same.

4. On motion regularly moved and carried the installation of six electric [illegible] Sunset Playground was approved.

5. On motion [illegible] Morton Mrs. Hayward was appointed to investigate the [illegible] for the erection of a [illegible] North Beach Playground, and the Secretary directed to make

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the purchase in the event of a favorable report being received from Mrs. Hayward.

Demands and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 242.93 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:30 p.m.

J A Lawlor

Secretary.

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San Francisco, January 31st. 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present. Commissioners: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mrs. W. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Re[illegible],
Mr. J. O. Kortick.

Absent. Commissioner: Mr. George H. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read with the following amendment:

That section which reads "A Communication was received from the California Federation of Womens Clubs endorsing the proposal to convert all of Hamilton Square into a playground, to be utilized as follows:

A communication was received from Mrs. Louis Herts, Chairman Civic Department, California Club, Chairman Social and Industrial Conditions, San Francisco District Federation of Womens Clubs, endorsing the proposal to convert all of Hamilton Square into a playground.

Also a communication from the Buena Vista Improvement Club complaining of the soggy condition of Jackson Playground after a rain storm. Same was referred to Mr. McLaren for investigation. The [illegible] and the Secretary [illegible] receipt of same.

Also a communication from the Emerson Mothers Club recommending a resolution adopted by that organization on the 27th of January 31st which reads as follows " That said Hamilton Square be placed under the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission."

Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same, explaining that this matter is in the hands of the Park Board mentioned in the resolution of this Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to address an additional communication to the Board of Education insisting upon the removal of the temporary buildings on Hamilton Square as soon as possible.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. John Mc Laren was directed to prepare plans for converting the entire space of Hamilton Square into a playground with the recommendation that if it is impossible to obtain the whole area of the park for playground purposes, that the play space should be transferred to the easterly half of the park.

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A communication from the Dorward Pump Co., regarding the operation of the Pump at Southside was ordered filed.

Communications from the Board of Park Commissioners, Portland, Oregon, Special Park Commission, City of Chicago, Board of Park Commissioners Seattle Washington, relative to the Boy Scout Movement were received, same were ordered filed.

Mrs. Hayward having investigated the advisability of purchasing lumber for a cabinet at North Beach Playground reported favorably on same, the Secretary was directed to make the necessary purchase.

Mr. Kortick reporting for the Committee appointed to investigate plans and specifications for the proposed Bath House at 19th and Angelica streets, stated that it would be necessary to have an architect other than the city architect prepare the necessary plans.

A Committee composed of Mr. J. C. Kortick, Rev. D. O. Crowley, and Mr. Geo. A. Schlitter was named to test the well on the premises at Nineteenth and Angelica streets.

Reports.

The report of Mr. O'Neil calling the attention of the Commission to the followin conditions at Southside, was ordered filed.

First. Chain in the Gauge is not strong enough and some of the links have already parted.

Second. Indicator on gauge stock and board not go below the 14 foot mark, must be fixed so as to have good motion.

Third. Ladders Leading to tower are not safe and with much rain are liable to fall with fore--entirely too weak.

Fourth. Leak in assembly in the roof over the pump, dropping will rot mechanism of pump.

On motion duly [illegible] carried the Secretary was directed to [illegible] the Pacific Tank and Pump Co., calling their attention to the [illegible] to make the necessary repairs.

The report of the Superintendent from the period from January 11th to January 31st inclusive was approved with the following recommendations.

To procure gravel for the walks at Southside Playground.

The [illegible] of an [illegible] at the front of the field house at Excelsior.

Regarding the re-[illegible] at the Playground at North Beach, the Superintendent was instructed to present detailed report at the next meeting thereof.

Regarding the [illegible] at the Playgrounds at North Beach Playground, the Superintendent was instructed to procure detailed estimates covering the same.

Regarding the [illegible] at the Playground at North Beach Playground, the Superintendent was instructed to procure additional estimates covering the same.

The Secretary was directed to communicate with the Fire Department

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calling the attention of that Department to the boxes containing the Hydrants at Southside Playground, these boxes are too small and it will be necessary to have them enlarged.

Bills and current expenses for the month of January to the amount of $ 5479.93 as well as the contract price of the pump installed by the Dorward pump Co., viz $ 796.85 were ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

J. A. Lawler

Secretary.

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San Francisco, February 13th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley presiding.

PRESENT — Commissioners — Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. John C. Kortick, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Marshal Hale.

ABSENT — Commissioners — Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from A. O. Montour manager of the Southern Pacific Baseball team, asking permission from the Playground Commission to play ball on Southside playground every Saturday, from April 4th to August 29th inclusive . The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that the Commission felt that Saturday being the day on which the greatest number of children attended the grounds it would be impossible to permit these days to be utilized by the league for ball games, and to further state that the Commission regretted they could not grant the desired request.

Also from the Board of Supervisors, stating that it was the desire of that body to have all estimated budgets for the year 1914-15 on file not later than March 16th 1914. On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary and Superintendent were directed to prepare the budget, to be presented to the Finance Committee of this Commission for discussion at th next regular meeting.

Also from Miss Stella Harris, Director of Bay View Schoolyard Playground stating that owing to the very large attendance on the Playground above mentioned on Saturdays and Sundays it was difficult to handle the situation unassisted, she would therefore respectfully request the Commission to provide an additional worker on those days. The Secretary was directed to reply to same, with the information that the request would be granted.

An application from Miss Julia A. Sullivan, for a position as assistant in the Bath House at North Beach playground was referred to the Play Committee.

A communication was received from Miss Margaret I. Foley regarding her salary as director at Hamilton Playground, same was referred to the Play Committee.

REPORTS.

The report of Mr. Sullivan regarding the classes established to teach resuscitation to the children of the Noarth Beach Playground was read and approved.

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The report of Mr. D. O'Neil regarding the pump at Southside Playground was read and approved. Mr. O'Neil was directed to continue the operation of the pump under the direction and supervision of the Superintendent Mr. George A. Schlitter.

The report of Mr. Joseph G. Gallagher on the work necessary at North Beach Playground in connection with the changes proposed in the lavatories was referred to Mr. Schlitter and the grounds Committee, with power to act. Said committee to meet on Monday, Feb., 16th at North Beach Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Superintendent for the period from January 31st to February 13th inclusive, was approved and ordered filed.

1. Action on the construction of the concrete floor at Southside Playground was postponed.

2. The toilet adjacent to the gymnasium at Southside playground was ordered removed.

3. One screen at North Beach Playground was ordered repaired and one new one purchased.

4. Permission to purchase the paint necessary for the work at the North Beach Swimming tank, was granted.

5. The placing of guards over the filter room at North Beach Playground also the purchase of 100 hangers for the wardrobe room at Southside was authorized by the Commission.

Regarding the surfacing of North Beach Playground On motion regularly moved and carried this matter was referred to the grounds committee for investigation.

Plans for the improvement of Hamilton Playground were submitted by Mr. John Mc Laren.

No reply having been received from the Board of Educationto the two communications regarding the removal of the temporary building on Hamilton Playground, on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to correspond with the above mentioned department asking the attitude of that body in the matter.

The Superintendent was notified to dismiss all unnecessary laborers in the employ of the department.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 140.65 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

M Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, February 24th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Presiding.

Present — Present — Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. J. C Kortick, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher

Absent — Absent — Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

Minutes. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications A communication was received from Mr. Eugene J. Richards, Director of Holly Park Playground, asking the Commission to consider raising his salary from $75.00 to $10.00 per month commencing July 1st1914, at which time he will have been in the employ of this department for one year.

This request was referred to the Play Committee, for report(at a later date.)

A communication from the Divisadero District Improvement Association requesting that a municipal Bathhouse and swimming tank be installed at Hamilton Playground, was referred to the Grounds Committee, and the Secretary directed to notify the Association that it was the sense of the Playground Commission, that if it were possible to secure an appropropriation from the Board of Supervisors to cover the cost of this installation same would be made.

A communication was received from Mr. P. Williams, manager of the Mohawk Baseball team, asking the Playground Commission to permit the above named team to use the baseball diamond at the North Beach Playground on Sunday morning for practice games. Same was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Williams that as it was a rule of the Commission the playgrounds should remain closed on Sunday until 12 o'clock this request would have to be denied.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, stating that the Budget estimates for the Playground Commission must be on file in the office of the Board not later than March 10th 1914. Same was ordered filed.

A special meeting of the Finance Committee of the Playground Commission was called for March 3rd 1914, at the hour of 8 o'clock in the office of the Commission to prepare the budget for 1914-15. Same to be presented to the Commission at the next regular meeting.

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A Communication from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, regarding the "Workingmens Compensation Act" was received and placed on file , and the Secretary directed to confer with Mr. Dunnigan regarding the operation of same by this department.

A communication from Miss Edna Hayward regarding an accident to Primo Marosi was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. George E. Gallagher, President of the Board of Education regarding the removal of the temporary school building on Hamilton playground, same was read and on motion regularly moved and carried filed as a progressive report.

REPORTS

The report of the Superintendent for the period from February 13th to 26th inclusive was approved as read, and on motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the following:

The construction of a brick gutter at Excelsior Playground.

Mr. Kortick reporting for the grounds committee on the conditions at North Beach Playground, recommended that the resurfacing of the ground in question be deferred until the next regular meeting of the Commission, that the plumbing repairs as outlined in the letter received from Mr. Jos. Gallagher under date of February 14th 1914 should be made , and on motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to proceed with this work, as well as the painting necessary to the Bath House and on grounds.

Mr. Kortick further reported the existence of a saloon at the corner of Columbus Ave and Greenwich streets, known as the "North Beach Playground Saloon." On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Board of Police Commissioners asking the co-operation of that Body in having this name changed.

Rev. D. O. Crowley reported that the matter of testing the well at 19th and Angelica streets, was in the hands of the Fire Department, who would report in detail to this department on same at an early date.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was instructed to install wooden ladders at the swimming tank in the North Beach Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to prepare the budget for the Finance Committee of the Playground Commission previous to their meeting on Tuesday evening, March 3rd 1914.

Demands to the amount of $ 4040.75 (1249.00 being 1913-13 funds) were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:45 p.m.

J. A. Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 12th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley, President, presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mr. George E. Gallagher, Mr. J. C. Kortick, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan,

Absent: Mr. John McLaren, Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication was received from Miss Casey, Principal of the Yerba Buena School, asking the Playground Commission for Janitorial assistance after Saturday and Sunday. Same was referred to Mr. Scmitter with instructions to attend to the matter.

A communication was received from the Police Department, notifying the Commission that the proprietor of the Saloon on Columbus Ave., had been instructed to remove the sign " North Beach Playground Saloon", from the entrance of his place of business, and further stating that these instructions had been carried out.

A communication from the Emerson Motorcycle Club, acknowledging receipt of the letter ---- from the Playground Commission granting permission to the above mentioned Club to use the former site of the California Women's Hospital site temporarily, was ordered filed.

A communication was received from William F. Flower, President of Reeds College, Portland, requesting information from the Playground Commission regarding positions with this department, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating there were no vacancies at the present time.

A communication was received from the Annual Convention of American Physical Education Association, wherein an invitation is extended to the Commission to have one or more members attend the annual convention, was ordered filed.

Miss Elizabeth N. Kelly, Principal of the Bryant School, has addressed a communication to the Playground Commission, requesting that Body in behalf of the Class of the Bryant School, to establish a playground in the Mission District. The Secretary was directed to communicate result of same stating that this Department felt disposed to co-operate with the Class in this regard, and would advise them to present a petition to the

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Board of Supervisors, requesting that Body to purchase a site for a playground in the Potrero Extension at a price not to exceed thirty thousand dollars ($30,000.00) and the Secretary was further directed to communicate with the supervisors along the lines above mentioned.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from February 26th to March 12th inclusive, and the following action taken on the various recommendations:

The Secretary was directed to communicate with the Board of Education regarding the change of the location of the drinking fountains at the Bay View School. The Secretary was also directed to communicate with the Park Commission regarding the installation of a wire net around the tennis court at the Holly Park Playground.

The recommendation that Miss Harris be relieved of duty at Bay View Schoolyard Playground, and be placed temporarily on the substitute list as per her request, was granted.

Action on the opening of the Bath House, and on the appointment of an Assistant was postponed.

No action was taken in the matter of renting pianos for the May Day festival.

Mr. J. C. Kortick, reporting for the Grounds Committee, stated that there is plenty of water in the wells on the former site of the Marshal School for any and all purposes, as per a report received from the San Francisco Fire Department.

On motion regularly moved and carried, Frederick Boese was authorized to simplify the plans submitted by Mr. Reed, for the construction of the bath house at Nineteenth and Angelica streets, and to submit the blue print of same at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

In connection with the operation of the Workingmens Compensation Act, the Secretary reported that it would not be necessary to include any amount in the budget to cover this item, but in case of accident to any employee of the Department same has to be reported to the City Physician, Dr. Arthur Rosenkranz, at once, as well as to the Board of Supervisors, on blanks provided for that purpose.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify the Directors the names they were to perform in case of accident.

The following budget, as reported by Mr. Kortick, Chairman of the Finance, showing estimated expenditures for the coming fiscal year of 1914-15 was adopted.

[illegible]

Director	$ 1200.00		
Director of Girls	1200.00		
Gardener	1200.00		
Janitor	900.00	$4500.00	
[illegible]			
Director	1200.00		
Director of Girls	1200.00		
Gardener	1200.00		
Janitor	900.00	4440.00	$8950.00

Brought Forward			$ 9340.00
NORTH BEACH BATH HOUSE			
Swimming Instructor	$ 1200.00		
Assistant	600.00	$1800.00	
SOUTHSIDE PLAYGROUND			
Director	1200.00		
Director of Girls	975.00		
Gardener	1080.00		
Janitor	960.00	4215.00	
JACKSON PLAYGROUND			
Director	1200.00		
Director of Girls	1150.00		
Gardener	1080.00		
Janitor	960.00	4390.00	
HAMILTON PLAYGROUND			
Director	1200.00		
Director of Girls	1200.00		
Gardener	1116.00		
Janitor	960.00	4476.00	
EXCELSIOR PLAYGROUND			
Director	1200.00		
Director of Girls	1170.00		
Gardener	1080.00	3430.00	
BAY VIEW SCHOOLYARD PLAYGROUND			
Director	900.00	900.00	
VISTA BUENA SCHOOLYARD PLAYGROUND			
Director	900.00	900.00	
PRESIDIO HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND			
Director	1125.00	1125.00	
HOLLY PARK PLAYGROUND			
Director	900.00	900.00	
SCHOOLYARD PLAYGROUNDS			
Supervision of Four	2400.00	2400.00	
SUPERVISING DIRECTORS			
Four	3000.00	3000.00	$ 28,136.00
			$ 37,576.00

MAINTENANCE

WATER SUPPLY	$6500.00		
PLAY SUPPLIES	3000.00		
HARDWARE MEDICAL, JANITOR SUPPLIES	3000.00		
TRAINING	1000.00		
LIGHT & POWER	750.00		
OFFICE EXPENSES	500.00		
OPERATING NORTH BEACH BATH HOUSE	500.00		
REPAIR OF GROUNDS, BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT	5000.00		
LABOR	3500.00		
Rowboat	1000.00		
Maintenance of Rowboat	250.00	30,100.00	30,100.00
CONSTRUCTION DEVELOPMENT & NEW EQUIPMENT	5000.00		$67,476.00

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Brought Forward		$ 67,476.00
DEVELOPMENT OF HAMILTON PLAYGROUND		
Tennis Court	$ 750.00	
Handball Courts	1000.00	
Basketball Court	750.00	
Resurfacing	1000.00	
Cinder Path & Running Track	500.00	
Baseball Field	500.00	
Apparatus	500.00	$ 5000.00
PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF UNIMPROVED LAND UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE PLAYGROUND COMMISSION		
CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S HOSPITAL SITE		
Retaining Wall on North Side	$1400.00	
Surfacing of Ground	1350.00	
Bulkhead Sacramento St.side	750.00	3500.00
HOLLY PARK PLAYGROUND		
Grading	2500.00	
Apparatus for Girls Section	500.00	
Apparatus for Boys Section	500.00	
Apparatus for Baby Section	500.00	
Development of Baseball Field and Surface	1000.00	5000.00
ADMIRAL SCHOOL SITE		
Completion of Bath House		10,000.00
		23,500.00
		$ 90,976.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the question of the interpretation of the rules governing the salaries of Directors of regular Playgrounds, Schoolyard Playgrounds, and Substitute Directors, was referred to a committee composed of Mrs. Hayward, Rev. D.O.Crowley and Mr.Hale.

Bills and current expenses to the amount of $ 694.40 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 6:15 p.m.

J. P. Laurin
Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 26th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present — Commissioners, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Marshal Hale, Miss Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. J. C. Kortick.

Absent — Commissioners Mr. Geo. Gallagher, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communication — A communication was received from Mr. Wilfred Kellog, Director of Laboratories of the San Francisco Department of Public Health, calling the attention of this department to the water supplied by the well at Southside Playground, stating that same is not suited for drinking purposes.

A communication was received from the West of Twin Peaks Improvement Club, asking this Commission to purchase a site for a playground in the Noe Valley District. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to notify the interested parties that the Board of Supervisors would not appropriate money for the purchase of playground sites, and as further stated that the only way such sites could be acquired would be by a bond issue.

A communication was received from Mrs. Annie Tillman, president of the Tillman estate estimating the playground commission, the sale of a parcel of land adjacent to the Spring Valley Reservoir. The Secretary was directed to communicate the contents of same, to the Committee of the Board of Supervisors in charge of matters.

A communication was received from Mr. J. T. Ashcroft, physician officer relating to the proposed effect of a playground in the Mission District, same was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Hugo D. Newhouse requesting a continuation of the present existing lease of W. P. Fuller Co., and the Western Transfer and Storage Co., of the property on the East side of Seventh and Bryant Streets.

On motion regularly moved and carried the petitioner was granted a continuation of the lease in question for a period of one year commencing July 1st 1914, and the Secretary was directed to make inquiries regarding the conditions governing the same.

A communication was received from Frederick Boyce, in which he

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submitted various estimates for the construction of the bath house at Nineteenth and Angelica streets. On motion regularly moved and carried this matter was referred to the Grounds Committee with instructions to confer with Mr. Boese in order to obtain more detailed information regarding same.

A communication was received from Mr. Joseph C. Gallagher in which he submitted a figure of $ 138.00 as the price of the plumbing repair work necessary at Southside Playground. On motion regularly moved and carried this matter was referred to the Superintendent with power to act.

Mr. Gallagher further proposes to install a heater at Jackson Playground for the sum of $ 220.00. On motion regularly moved and carried same was referred to Mr. J. C. Kortick and Mr. Schlitter for investigation.

Action on the report of the Committee appointed to submit an interpretation of the rules governing the salaries of Play Directors, Substitute Directors, and Directors of Schoolyard Playgrounds, was deferred until the next regular meeting of the Board------- at which time the question will be given further consideration by the Playground Commission.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from March 16th to March 31st inclusive was approved as read, and the following action taken on the various recommendations contained therein.

On motion regularly moved and carried April 1st 1914, [illegible] the day set for the re-opening of the Bath House, Miss Ruth Hosmer was appointed to the position of assistant at a salary of $ 60.00 per month commencing April 1st. Miss Hosmer was appointed to this position with the understanding that her position was to continue only during the period in which the Baths would be in operation.

Mr. Schlitter and Mrs. Hayward were named as a committee of two to confer regarding a program for the May Day preparation, the question of purchasing Maria Mitchell Sloman Games, was referred to Mrs. Hayward.

The question of installing connections to the Spring Valley Mains at Coombs Playground, and on motion regularly moved and carried referred to Messrs. Crowley and Mr. Gallagher with power to act.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify Mrs. Mae C. Whalen that the privilege which was also extended to her [illegible] to operate [illegible] for a period of [illegible] her arrival at and departure from the Playgrounds.

A committee from the Mission District Improvement Club, appeared before the Board in regard to the playground on the site of the old Garfield School on Folsom and Harrison Streets.

It was the opinion of the Commission that no action should be taken in the matter until [illegible] a satisfactory report on the question should be received from the City Attorney. Bond [illegible] to be requested in the event

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of the Board of Supervisors, being disposed to appropriate sufficient funds to cover the proper development of same.

Bills and current expenses for the month of March amounting to $ 3459.89 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:20 p.m.

F. W. Lauder
Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 9th 1914.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley presiding

Present — Commissioners: D.O.Crowley, Mrs. M.S.Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. J.C. Kortick.

Absent — Commissioners: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A Communication was received from the National Conferance of City Planning of Boston, extending an invitation to one or more members of the Playground Commission to attend the annual meeting in Toronto, same was ordered filed and the Secretar directed to acknowledge receipt of same stating that it would be impossible for any member of the Commission to attend the conferance this year.

A communication was received from Mrs. A. H. Green, Chairman of the Mothers Clue of the Roosevelt School, asking that ground adjacent to the School be purchased by this department for playground purposes, same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receiptof same stating that it was not the attitude of the Board of Supervisors to purchase property for playground sites other than through a bond issue.

A communication was also received from the Secretary of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club, requesting the playground commission to purchase a strip of land adjacent to the Yerba Buena School for playground purposes. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

A communication was received from the Board of Health requesting that all children who are contacts be excluded from the Playgrounds, and that signs to that affect be posted in conspicuous places on the grounds. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of same, and to state that the desires of the Board of Health would be carried out in this regard, the Secretary was further directed to send to that department a list of the various playgrounds giving their location, in order that the Directors in charge of same might be notified of children in their district who were suffering from contagious diseases.

A communication was received from the Civil Service Commission asking permission to use Southside Playground for several mornings commencing April 28th 1914, for the purpose of holding athletic tests in connection with the examinations being held by that department. This permission was granted. The Secretary was directed to notify the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

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A communication was received from the Mayors office enclosing a petition from the boys of Hamilton Intermediate School, asking permission to play baseball on Hamilton Playground. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to answer same stating that owing to objections on the part of residents in the vicinity regarding balls going over the fence, and the danger to small children playing on the grounds this Commission does not deem it advisible to permit the use of the regulation baseball on the grounds in question.

Mr. John C. Kortick reporting for the special committee appointed to confer with Boese Brothers Architects in regard to the Bath House on 19th and Angelica Streets, recommended the acceptance of proposition # 2 which is contained in the following letter:

" I herewith beg to report progress on the proposition of a bath house at Nineteenth and Anjelica streets and submit estimates of cost as follows:

Proposition #1.
Building the structure as per preliminary sketch, of re-enforced concrete and standing seam tin roof, 2 inch solid metal stud and metal lath and plaster partitions in the main building, and wood divisions for dressing rooms all complete and including tank and rails and filtering equipment not including pumping plant for the well nor the roof over tank.

$ 21,000.00

Proposition # 2.
Same as described above but with the following substitutions for the dressing room wings : Frame structure from the floor level up instead of re-inforced concrete, structural parts surfaced and exposed on the interior and finished with oil stain, exterior cedar shingles, tar and gravel roof, and the foundation the same as in proposigion # 1 for future extension.

$ 17,600.00

Proposition # 3.
All work complete up to level of finished top of floor for proposition #1 including tank and rails and filtering room, but not including filtering equipment nor pumping plant.

$8,000.00

Respectfully submitted,
(signed F. Boese)

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify Boese Brothers to prepare plans along the lines of proposition # 2.

A communication was received from Mr. Marshal Hale, regarding the salaries of the various playground directors, same was referred to the play committee for final adjustment.

Rev. D.O.Crowley reporting for the Committee appointed to confer on the water supply at Southside Playground, stated that the installation of service pipes to the Spring Valley Mains had been made and the drinking fountains on the playground had been connected with same. Service pipes have also been connected with the tank and run to the garden of the Ethan Allen School for irrigating purposes.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from March 26th to April 9th 1914, inclusive was approved as read and the following recommendations made.

The repair of the Halyards on the flag pole at Excelsior Playground..

The question of proper ventilation for the filter room at the North Beach Bath House was referred to Commissioner Kortick and Superintendent Schlitter with power to act.

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The question of a piano for Southside Playground and the employment of an additional accompanist was referred to the play committee.

Miss Corella of the Emporium having asked permission to have a group of children from the playgrounds give an exhibition of playground work, the Secretary was directed to notify the young lady that it was not within the Jurisdiction of the Playground Commission to have the children from the grounds take part in any program other than those presented on the grounds.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify the Park Commission that this Department is ready to proceed with the development of Hamilton Square, and to ask the attitude of that Board toward the development of same according to the plans submitted by Mr John Mc Laren.

Bills and current expenses to the amount of $ 385.05 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

M L Lamb
Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 23rd 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., Rev. D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Commissioners, Rev.D.O.Crowley
Mrs.M.S.Hayward,
Miss Agnes C. Regan,
Mr. J.C. Kortick.

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Miss Frances E. Ware, requesting the Playground Commission to extend her leave of absence for a period of two months in order that she might make a further study of playground work in eastern cities. This request was granted and the Secretary directed to notify Miss Ware accordingly.

A communication was received from Sister Caroline, of St. Vincents School asking permission from the Playground Commission to use some of the costumes stored at Southside Playground. The Secretary was directed to notify Sister Caroline that she might have such costumes as the Commission has authority to lend.

A communication from the Civil Service Commission thanking the Playground Commission for the courtesy extended in permitting the athletic tests in connection with the Civil Service examinations being held at Southside Playground, was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. Hirschler, President of the Emerson Mothers Club, asking permission to remove the board fence on the California Women's Hospital site, and replace same with a wire fence, this change to be made at the expense of the Emerson Mothers Club. Permission was granted to make the change as asked for, and the Secretary directed to notify the interested parties of the action of this Board in the matter.

A communication from Joseph C. Gallagher, calling the attention of the commission to changes necessary in the sewer system at Southside Playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to Commissioner Kortick with power to act.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from April 6th to 23rd inclusive, was approved as read.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to remove the gravel from the trees outside of North Beach Playground and place sticks around the trunks to protect the lower limbs. The Superintend-

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ent was further directed to make inquiries regarding the ownership of the fence on the Spring Valley Schoolyard Playground.

In a discussion as to the advisibility of permitting adults to play baseball on the Playgrounds on Saturday it was the sense of this Commission that no ball games should be allowed on this day, as Saturday is the day on which the largest number of children attend the playgrounds.

Bills and current expenses for the month to the amount of $4027.73 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

F A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 7th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:15 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

PRESENT. Commissioners: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mr. J. C. Kortick.

ABSENT Commissioners: Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Geo. H. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS. A communication was received from Miss Mina Hayward, director of Girls at the North Beach Playground tendering her resignation from the department to take effect May 15th 1914.

The Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of same and to state that said resignation was received with regret, and to further state that the Playground Commission extends to Miss Hayward its best wishes for success in her new undertakings.

A communication from Ray Daugherty, director of Jackson Playground, in which he reported an accident to Hulda Anderson of 407 Arkansas street was read and ordered filed.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to communicate with the City Attorney asking his opinion of the Commission regarding responsibility etc., when accidents occur to visitors on the playgrounds.

A communication was received from Mr. Robert Dennis regarding the placing of the Playground Department under Civil Service regulation Same was read and on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Dennis that it was the sense of this Commission that this is not an opportune time for placing the Department under Civil Service.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from APRIL 23rd to May 6th was approved as read.

The question of additional compensation for Mr. O'Neill owing to the operation of the plant at Sunnyside Playground was referred to the grounds committee.

Regarding the piano at Excelsior Playground, it is the sense of the Commission that the instrument should be retained on the ground until after the celebration of the Fourth of July.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the recommendation of the Play Committee, that Miss Freese be appointed as probation to the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Miss Hayward as Director of Girls at North Beach Playground, was accepted.

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Demands and current expenses for the month to the amount of $ 890.00 were approved and ordered paid.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Commission adjourned to attend the meeting of the Park Commission in the interest of Hamilton Playground.

F A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, May 28th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners,	Rev.D.O. Crowley, Mr. J. C. Kortick, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.
Absent:	Commissioners:	Mr. Marshal Hale Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Maxson President of the Polk Street District Improvement Association appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Spring Valley Playground, requesting that apparatus be installed for the use of the children. The matter was referred to Mr. Schlitter for investigation.

Communications

A communication was received from Miss Edith Marie Hampton asking for the privilege of doing student work on the playgrounds. Referred to the Play Committee.

A communication from Miss Genevieve King, Chairman of the Pageant section of the Recreation League , asking for the co-operation of this department in preparing a pageant for the exposition year was ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Divisadero Street District Improvement Association, enclosing a copy of a report of the Civic League of Improvement Clubs and Associations in the matter of the proposed swimming tank at Hamilton Playground. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of the letter.

A communication from the City and County Attorney enclosing an opinion regarding the liability of this department in case of accidents to visitors on the playgrounds was ordered filed.

A communication was received from the South of Army Improvement Club asking the playground commission to secure if possible that gore at Army Mission and Valencia streets for playground purposes. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of same and to state that property for playground purposes could be obtained only through bond issue.

A communication from Miss Casey, principal of the Yerba Buena School, regarding broken windows was read and ordered filed.

Mr. Edward Penaluna director of Excelsior playground reported tha Jesus Cole' aged 6 years while playing on the rock-a-bye, after the playgrounds had been closed, fell and broke his arm. The Secretary was directed to communicate with the City Attorney, presenting the facts of the case, and request that an opinion be given in this specific instance re. liability of the playground commission

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Mr. J. C. Kortick reporting for the Grounds Committee stated that owing to the extra work necessitated by the operation of the pump at Southside Playground, he would recommend that Mr. O'Neil be given an additional compemsation . On motion regularly moved and carried the salary of Mr. O'Neil was raised$10.00 per month.

Mr. George E. Gallagher, reporting for the Board of Education stated that the removal of the building,formerly occupied as temporary Girls High School, and located on the property of the Playground Commission at Geary and Scott streets, would be commenced during the month of June.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from May 6th to May 28th was accepted as read, and the following action taken on the proposals contained therein.

The Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the placing of a new back wall on the handball court on the North Beach Playground, also to provide protection for the tileing on the roof of the Bath House , the painting of the bulk head, fence and slide at Presidio Heights Playground, he was further authorized to purchase a schooner load of tan bark for distribution on the various playgrounds.

The adoption of an emergency substitute list was sanctioned, it being the sense of the Commission that Miss Ellis, Miss Hanlan and Miss Jones should be given the preference.

The Secretary, was directed to confer with Mr. Reardon, President of Board of Public Works regarding the installation of closets in the Office of the Commission, in which play supplies might be stored.

Action on the installation of the Outdoor Gymnasium at North Beach and the Tennis Court at Bay View Schoolyard were deferred.

The use of the Auditorium at Jackson Playground by the graduation class of the Irving M. Scott School on the evening of June 6th was referred to Miss Regan.

It was the sense of the Commission that Mr. Kortick be appointed a Committee of one to see that the Playground had proper representation on on the Fourth of July Committee, in order that this department might secure the funds necessary to carry out the programs for Independence Day on the playgrounds.

Bids for the construction of a swimming tank, foundations etc., for a bath house to be erected on the property of the Playground Commission at Nineteenth & Angelica streets were received and opened as follows:

Regular 1st Alternative 2nd Alternative.

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	General	1st Alter.	2nd Alter.
Contra Costa Construction Co.	$ 9675.00	plus	plus$ 200.
L. A. Rose	10595.00		100.
Barrett & Hilp	7668.00	150.00	100.
Carnahan & Mulford	9089.00		200.0
Mc Cabe & Brown	11075.00	316.00	75.
Nilson & Arras	8212.00		96.

On motion regularly moved and carried action regarding the awarding of the contract was postponed until Friday, May 29th 1914 at 3:40 p.m. in order that the members of the Playground Commission might have an opportunity to consider the bids and look into the standing of the firms presenting bids.

Bills and current expenses for the month to the amount of $ 4098.11 were approved and ordered paid.

The details relative to the camping trip of Mr. Schantz with the boys of Hamilton playground were referred to Mrs. Hayward.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned to convene at 3:40 Friday.

J. H. Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, May 29th 1914.

Meeting.

An adjourned meeting of the playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 5:30 p.m.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. J. C. Kortick, Miss Regan, Mrs. Hayward.
Absent:	Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Marshal Hale.

On motion regularly moved and carried the contract for the construction and completion of the swimming tank, foundations etc., for the Bath House to be erected on the property of the Playground Commission at Nineteenth and Angelica streets was awarded to the firm of Nilson and Arras for the sum of $ Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Eight ($ 8308.00) Dollars.

In a discussion regarding the camping trip of the boys of Hamilton Playground under the personal direction of Mr. L. J. Schantz, full control of the situation was placed in the hands of Mrs. Hayward with power to act.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 6.00 p.m.

J. H. Lewis

Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 11th 1914.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m. President Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding

Present:	Commissioners,	Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev.D.O. Crowley, Mr. Hale, Mr. Mc Laren, Mr. J. C. Kortick.
Absent	Commissioner,	Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of May 28th and the adjourned meeting of May 29th were read and approved.

A committee from the West of Fillmore Improvement Association appeared before the Commission to state the desires of that body regarding the development of Hamilton Playground and to present a plan which had been drawn of same. After discussing the plans the Playground Commission stated that while they contained features which were similar to the lines of development intended by the Commission, at the same time it would be impossible to state any definite plan for the playground above mentioned until such time as the temporary building shall have been removed, when the Park and Playground Commission would then agree on a plan of development which would be satisfactory to all concerned.

Mrs. Hirschler representing the Emerson Mothers Club requested the Commission to build a fence on the retaining wall of the California Woman's Hospital Site, to prevent the boys from trespassing on the grounds. This matter was referred to Superintendent Schlitter for investigation.

Mrs. Mc Bride representing the Mothers Club of the Yerba Buena School appeared before the Commission to request the installation of additional apparatus on the schoolyard playground. It was the sense of the Commission that the best policy to persue would be for Mrs. Mc Bride to first take the matter up with the Board of Education, and this body would then improve the grounds to the best of its ability.

A communication from the Board of Supervisors enclosing a letter from the South of Army Improvement Club regarding the securing of that piece of property at Army Mission and Valencia streets for playground purposes was ordered filed.

A communication from the Ocean View Improvement Club regarding the land adjacent to the Sheridan School in the Ocean View District was ordered filed. And The Secretary directed to investigate the matter and find just what jurisdiction the Playground Commission had over the grounds in question.

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A petition was received from the boys in the neighborhood of the California Women's Hospital site asking permission to play handball on the above mentioned property. Same was ordered filed.

The report of the Superintendent was approved as read. The buying of play supplies and apparatus, as well as repair work to the amount of $ 6417.26 was approved, and the Secretary was instructed to see that no supplus remained in the funds of this department, but to see that the balance was spent for the best interest of the department.

It was the sense of the Commission that the question of purchasing an automobile for the department should be referred to Commissioner Kortick for report.

The Superintendent was directed to procure figures to cover the cost of cutting down the slide at North Beach Playground, and he was further directed to have the grand stand adjacent to the tennis court removed.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $411.76 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:45 p.m.

F A Crawle

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 26th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present	Commissioners:	Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John C. Kortick, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.
Absent	Commissioners:	Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement club asking the Playground Commission not to deprive that district of the Playground at the Yerba Buena School. The communication was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same stating that it was not the intention of the Commission to remove the Playground from the Yerba Buena School, nor had any desire been expressed by any one regarding the removal of same.

A communication from the South of Army Improvement Club relative to the gore of Army Valencia and Mission streets being utilized for play space was ordered filed.

Communications were received from the Potrero and Southeasterly Mission Improvement clubs, and the East Mission Improvement Association, requesting the Playground Commission to install apparatus on the lot on Kansas street between Yolo and Army streets . Same were ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the interested parties that funds for such a purpose were not available at this time.

A communication from Bernard Lapachet requesting the Playground Commission to construct a fence on the property of the Playground Commission formerly occupied by the California Women's Hospital , was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Lapachet that the request had been referred to the grounds committee for investigation.

A communication from the Board of Public Works requesting the playground commission to construct a sidewalk on the property of the Commission on Seventh street between Harrison and Bryant Streets, was referred to the Grounds Committee with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. Joseph Kennedy stating that owing to a disagreement with the Director in charge at Southside Playground he had left his position until such time as the matter might be investigated, by the Playground Commission. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Kennedy that in as much as he had left his position of his own volition and the place subsequently filled, his retirement from the department was permanent.

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A communication was received from the Secretary of the North Beach Promotion association and from Dr. A. S. Musante on behalf of the North Beach Promorion Association requesting permission for the Italian Philarmonic Circle to use the North Beach Playground on Sunday June 28th 1914, for a concert. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that the Commission, being unwilling to create a precedent along these lines could not grant such a request at this time.

A letter of thanks from the Sisters of Charity for the use of the costumes in the wardrobe at Southside Playground was ordered filed.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from June 11th to June 26th inclusive was approved as read.

Mr. Lawlor reporting in regard to the property adjacent to the Sheridan school stated that the property in question had been purchased by the School Department for an additional school and did not come under the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission.

The matter of purchasing an automobile for the department was referred to Mr. Lawler and Mr. Kortick with power to act.

Bills and current expenses for the month amounging to $8544.76 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

F. A. Lawlor
Secretary.

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San Francisco, July 23rd 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners,	D.O. Crowley, J. C. Kortick, Miss Regan, Mrs. Hayward, Geo. E. Gallagher.
Absent:	Commissioners,	John Mc Laren, Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, notifying this department that a resolution had been passed by that Board recommending the improvement of that piece of property at the South east corner of Bush and Stockton streets for a playground. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the Board of Supervisors that no provision had been made in the budget for the improvement of the property in question, but should the Board of Supervisors see fit to make an appropriation sufficient to defray the cost of equipment and operation for tennis grounds this body would be only too well pleased to proceed with the work.

A communication was received from the Board of Civil Service Commissioners requesting the use of Sutro Heights Playground for several days commencing August 17th 1914, for the purpose of holding Athletic tests in connection with examinations under the auspices of the Civil Service Department. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the Commission that the request was granted and the grounds were at their disposal from 9 to three on the days requested.

A communication from Jerome Browne requesting information regarding the municipal swimming tanks and showers, was ordered filed and the Secretary to answer same forwarding also information he might be in his possession.

A communication from T. A. White dated July 3rd, stating that the playgrounds would be provided with police protection on July 4th was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to express to Mr. White the appreciation of this department for his co-operation.

A communication from Miss Helen Mangin asking for information regarding a position as director in this department was read and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to respond to same enclosing an application blank which the young lady may fill out at her discretion.

A communication was received from The West Mission Improvement Club, requesting the playground commission to install apparatus on the lot owned by the city on Kansas street between 24th and 25th. Same was ordered filed,

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and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the matter had been referred to the grounds committee for investigation.

A communication was received from Mr. Richard Murray, enclosing an application for a position as caretaker in this department, same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

A communication was received from the Fourth of July Committee notifying the Commission that the sum of $ 650.00 had been set aside for the celebration of Independence Day on the playgrounds. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply --------thanking the Committee for the valuable assistance rendered in making the Independence Day programs on the playgrounds a success.

A communication was received from the Mayors Office announcing the resignation of Mr. J. C. Kortick and the appointment of Mr. Angelo J. Rossi as a member of the Playground Commission:

On motion regularly moved and carried a vote of appreciation was extended to Mr. J. C. Kortick, and a copy of same spread on the minutes of the Commission:

Following is the resolution:

"Whereas, because of appointment to the Board of Supervisors, Mr. J. C. Kortick resigns his position on the Playground Commission , therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Playground Commission express our regret at the loss of such an efficient member, and extend to Mr. J. C. Kortick a vote of thanks for his generous services and unfailing courtesy to the members of the Commission, and be it further

Resolved that this testimonial be spread on the minutes of the proceedings of this Commission and having been so incorporated a copy of same be forwarded to Mr. J. C. Kortick.

A petition from a team of ball players composed of employees of the United Railroads , for the use of Southside playgrounds on Sunday morning was denied.

A petition from the Members of a team of ball players from the First National Bank for the use of Southside playground on Saturday afternoon was denied.

Reports of Committees.

Mr. J. C. Kortick reporting for the grounds committee had the following recommendations to make.

1. That the California Women's Hospital site should be developed as a playground to be used exclusively for boys.

2. That in the event of the development of the above mentioned site that the Lincoln Heights Playground should be maintained for girls and small children.

3. The construction of the sidewalks at the Southside playground are now in the hands of the Board of Supervisors awaiting action on same.

4. The Construction of the Bath House at the Marshall School site was discussed satisfactorily.

The report was accepted as read and on motion regularly moved

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and carried the question of developing the site of the California Women's Hospital was referred to the grounds committee for investigation as to cost o equipment etc.

The report of the Superintendent was accepted as read.

Miss Regan and Mrs Hayward, reported that for the best interest of the department it seemed advisible at this time to make several transfers of directors, On motion regularly moved and carried it was decided that the play committee should confer with Mr. Schlitter and such changes as they should decide upon as being necessary should be made at once.

On motion regularly moved and carried the erection of a store room for apparatus and play supplies on the Yerba Buena Schoolyard Playground was referred to the grounds committee for investigation.

Permission was granted, for the use of the swimming tank at North Beach Playground, by the members of the boys club under the supervision of Mr. Lundie. This club meets in the evenings at 8 o'clock.

The Secretary was directed to purchase 4 doz. trunks no 28 to be use in the bath house.

In a discussion regarding the Civil Service Organization, it was the sense of the Commission that the employees of this department should not become affiliated with such organization, a committee composed of Miss Regan, Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Rossi was appointed to confer with the City Attorney regarding Civil Service in the department, and the Secretary was directed to communicate with Miss Ethel Moore regarding Civil Service regulations in the Oakland department.

The purchase of the automobile by Mr. Lumber and Mr. Kortick was ratified.

Bills and current expenses for the month were approved as follows:

Salaries	$ 6728.00
Demands July	4121.18
Demands for June	1590.88
	8439.06

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

F. J. Rossi

Secretary.

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San Francisco, July 31st 1914.

SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President, D. O. Crowley, presiding., to discuss the payment of the automobile purchased for the use of this department. It was the sense of this Commission that no drastic action should be taken at this time, but that a committee should be appointed to confer with the Board of Supervisors at a later date if necessary to determine the powers of the Playground Commission and have the question definitely settled.

Under a discussion of School and Playground Activities it was the sense of the Commission that the playground Commission should cooperate with the Board of Education to the extent of paying $ 960.00 toward the athletic expenses of that Body.

The resignation of Mr. G. C. Sullivan as Swimming Instructor at the North Beach Bath House, to take effect on or about August 31st 1914, was accepted with regrets, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Sullivan accordingly.

The application of Mr. Walter T. Wilder for the position of Swimming Instructor at the North Beach Bath House was referred to the Play Committee.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15 p.m.

Demands amounting to $ [illegible] in payment of Bills and Accts. of Bath House were approved and ordered Paid.

F. O'Connell
Secretary.

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San Francisco, August 13th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m. President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Commissioners, Rev. D.O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Regan,
Mr. Hale,
Mr. A. J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. Geo. E? Gallagher
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the meeting of July 23rd and the special meeting of July 31st were approved, all action taken at the special meeting were ratified.

A communication was received from the Civil Service Commission thanking the department for the use of Southside Playground for the purpose of holding athletic tests in connection with examinations under the auspices of that department.

A communication from the Board of Playground Directors of the City of Oakland, relative to filling positions in that department, was ordere filed.

A communication from Miss Janet Wade principal of the Glen Park School, relative to the equipment of aforesaid school as a playground was referred to the grounds and play committee jointly, for investigation.

The following recommendations of the Play Committee were on motion regularly moved and carried adopted:

"The Playgrounds are divided into two classes (2) Class "A" shall consist of the North Beach, Southside, Hamilton, Jackson, Excelsior, Presidio and Holly Park. Class "B" shall consist of the Bay View Schoolyard and Yerba Buena Schoolyard playgrounds.

The salary of Directors in the Class "A" playgrounds shall be $ 75.00 per month. After a Director has had a Class "A" or Class "B" playground or been a substitute Director at $ 75.00 per month for two (2) years her salary shall be advanced to $ 100.00 per month, providing the Director at that time has charge of a class "A" Playground.

The salary of Directors in Class "B" Playgrounds, shall be $50.00 per month; after they have had charge of the playground for one (1) year their salary shall be $ 75.00 per month.

Substitute Directors- the salary of substitute directors shall be $ 50.00 per month for the first year, and $ 75.00 per month thereafter.

We also report that Mr. Semantz has been transferred to Southside Mr. Skelley to Holly Park Playground and Mr. Richards to Hamilton, to take effect August 1st 1914.

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Mr. A. J. Rossi reporting for the grounds committee suggested that the vacant class room at the Yerba Buena School should be used for playground purposes, said recommendation was referred to Miss Agnes C. Regan for investigation.

The recommendation regarding the development of the California Women's Hospital site was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Superintendent with instructions to draw up a tentative plan of same giving estimate cost of such development.

The recommendation presented by Mrs.Hayward for the installation of a gas stove and sink in the field house at the North Beach Playground, was referred to the grounds committee.

The report of the Secretary was ordered filed and the following action taken on the various recommendations contained therein.

That Janitors, Gardeners and Laborers in the employ of this department should report for duty at 8 o'clock a.m., and that Janitors should be in the distributing room from 3 to 5 daily and be responsible for giving out and return of supplies, maintaining a record of same. approved

That Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays, should be for girls in the Bath House and Tuesdays Thursday and Saturdays, for boys with Sundays alternating. Approved.

That play supplies should be used on the playgrounds only, and not loaned for outside use. Approved.

That whenever an employee of this department is ill for a protracted period, the office is to be kept notified of the condition of the patient, and a doctors certificate must be placed on file in the office. Approved.

That Directors give at least one hour a week to Folk Dancing and one hour a week to Gymnasium classes, where accomodations will permit of such classes. Approved.

The removal of the partition of the Field House in Excelsior Playground to make more room for Folk Dancing was referred to the grounds Committee.

The shortening of the slide at North Beach playground was referred to the Grounds Committee.

The employment of a male substitute, so as to have a man in charge of the large grounds at all times, and enable the Men Directors to have a regular Sunday off, was approved and on motion regularly moved and carried the appointment of such substitute was referred to the Play Committee, and the Secretary directed to place all applications now on file for such position in the hands of the Play Committee.

On the recommendation of the Play Committee, Mr. Milton C. Wilder was appointed to the position of Director at the North Beach Bath House, said appointment to become effective August 15th 1914, at a salary of $100.00 per month. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Wilder of his appointment stating that as such Director he was to be responsible for the maintenance and up-keep of the Bath House, and that he was to be on duty from 8:30 to 5:30 and from 12 to 5:30 on Sundays.

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A committee from the Mothers Club of the Spring Valley School appeared before the Commission in the interest of the development of the Spring Valley Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the question of developing the Spring Valley Playground was referred to the grounds committee, with instructions to that committee to do all in their power to cooperate with the Mothers Club and see by what means said playground could be equipped.

Demands amounting to $ 1249.01 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:30 p.m.

F. A. Crawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, August 29th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present	Commissioners:	RevD. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. A. J. Rossi, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Marshal Hale.
Absent	Commissioners:	Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Emerson Mothers Club notifying the Commission they could no longer make use of the site of the former California Woman's Hospital for the gardening work of the Club was ordered filed.

A communication from Lathrop Ellingwood, M.D., certifying to the incapacity of Miss Nannette Levy from August 5th to August 24th was ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. Eustace Peixotto requesting the use of the swimming tank at the North Beach Playground on September 19th for a championship meet in the interest of public school athletics was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Peixotto that the desired permission was granted.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from August 18th to August 26th inclusive was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to proceed with the following work.

The repair of the doors in the girls dressing rooms at North Beach Bath House.

The repair of the doors on the toilets at Southside, and the placing of wooden screens in front of the approaches to same.

The building of a wire screen on top of the partitions in the shower rooms at Jackson, and the installation of a yale lock on the door of the dressing room.

The appeding up of the pump at Southside playground was referred to Mr. Rossi with power to act.

The report of the grounds committee was ordered filed and the following action taken on the recommendations contained therein.

The installation of a sink and gas stove in the field house at North Beach Playground was approved.

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Action on the tearing down of the slide was deferred pending the report of the committee composed of Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. John Mc Laren and Mr. Rossi.

The expenditure of a sum not to exceed one thousand dollars, including supervision was allowed for the development of the Spring Valley School site as a playground.

The fitting up of the room at the Yerba Buena School for playground purposes and the change of location of the handball court was approved.

The removal of the partition in the field house at Excelsior playground was approved, the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Board of Supervisors calling the attention of that body to the repairs needed on the sidewalks surrounding the Excelsior playground and all other sidewalks surrounding property under the jurisdiction of this department which are in need of repair.

It is the sense of this Commission that the acquisition of that piece of property located on 18th avenue between Lake and California streets is most desirable. The Secretary was directed to secure a description of said property to be presented by a committee composed of Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Rev. D. O. Crowley and Mr. John Mc Laren, to the Board of Supervisors with the request that said property be set aside for the use of this department.

Mr. Rossi reporting on conditions at North Beach Playground stated that it was undesirable for the boys of Mr. Lundie's Club to use the swimming tank, it was so ordered. Mr. Rossi was further delegated to investigate the manner in which the club was being conducted.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to make the best terms possible for the exchange of the old piano at North Beach Playground.

Action on the selection of a male substitute was deferred until the Play Committee should make further investigation of the candidates whose applications are now on file.

Bills and current expenses to the amount of $ 3908.97 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:20 p.m.

F. A. Lawler

Secretary.

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San Francisco, September 10th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, Rev., D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners,	Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mr. A. J. Rossi, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.
Absent:	Commissioners,	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from W. Peters M.D., certifying to the illness of Miss Popper, same was ordered filed.

A communication from Julian Most Wolfsohn M.D., certifying to the illness of Miss Ray Kaplan was ordered filed.

A communication from Ray Daugherty Director of Jackson Playground requesting the use of the auditorium at Jackson by the members of the Irving M. Scott Social Club on the evening of September 27th 1914, was referred to the Play Committee, and ordered filed.

A petition was received from the residents in the vicinity of the Noe and Eureka Valley asking for a playground in that locality same was ordered filed.

The report of the Superintendent was accepted as read and the following action taken on the recommendations contained therein.

The jumping pit to be installed at the North Beach Playground was referred to the Grounds Committee.

The croquet court at Jackson playground was referred to the grounds committee.

Bracing of the handball court at the Bay View Schoolyard was referred to the Board of Education.

The request of Mr. Wilder for 2 doz suits size 36 and two dozen suits size 36 for the girls at the North Beach Bath House was referred to the Secretary with instructions to purchase same.

Mr. Rossi reporting for the grounds committee made the following recommendations.

That the slide at the North Beach Playground should remain in its present condition but the approaches to same should be exposed to the public, these approaches to be altered in such a manner as the grounds committee should suggest to the Superintendent.

That the Playground Commission should take immediate steps to acquire that property on the West line of 18th Ave., between Lake and California streets; on motion regularly moved and carried the grounds Committee were instructed to take this matter up with the Board of Supervisors

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at once.

The matter of taking over the Glen Park School as a playground was deferred for further consideration, and the Secretary directed to notify the Board of Education that it would be advisible to place the handball court against the back wall and likewise the basketball court, so that they would not interfere with the free use of the yard.

Mr. Rossi further reported that the property on Twenty-sixth and Kansas street was not suited for a playground at this time, on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Stollberg that the Playground Commission did not have at its disposal sufficient funds to develop the property in question at this time.

Permission was granted to Mr. Lundie's Club at the North Beach Playground to continue the arrangements for the proposed social as intended.

In discussing the organization of Clubs on the playgrounds, it was the sense of the Commission that copies of by-laws or Constitutions should first be submitted to the Commission before adoption by any club or organization, and the Secretary directed to notify all Directors accordingly.

Permission was granted to the members of the Club to use the tank on the night before it should be emptied, and the showers on all nights on which the club holds regular meetings.

On motion regularly moved and carried the recommendation of Mr. Rossi, that admission to the baths should be free, and that the services of Miss Hosmer be dispensed with on September 15th, with pay up to and including September 30th, as with free baths the services of a Cashier would no longer be needed; was adopted, and the Secretary directed to notify Miss Hosmer accordingly.

The Superintendent was instructed to have all Directors understand that they are responsible for the up-keep of their grounds, in the event of any caretaker or other employee neglecting their duites in this regard, the director is to be held personally responsible for such neglect, unless he has reported such condition to the Playground Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Hagan was appointed acting Secretary in the absence of Mr. Lawler on his vacation.

On motion regularly moved and carried a vote of thanks was tendered Mr. J. Emmet Hayden for the assistance he has rendered the Playground Commission in placing the automobile of the Board of Supervisors at the disposal of the Grounds Committee when necessary. The Secretary was directed to forward a copy of such vote to Mr. Hayden.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 167.75 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:45 p.m.

F. W. Lawler

Secretary.

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San Francisco, September 24th 1914.

MEETING.

Notices having been sent for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission on the above date failed to record a quorum.

M. Philomene Hagan

Acting Secretary.

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San Francisco, September 28th 1914.

MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission for the transaction of regular business, was called to order this day at the hour of 1:45, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

MINUTES

On motion regularly moved and carried the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Communications.

A communication was received from James Edward Rogers of the Recreation League introducing Miss Lucille Wollenberg, and requesting that Miss Wollenberg be granted the use of the gymnasium at the North Beach Playground one night a week for a club of boys numbering about twenty-five. Miss Wollenberg also interviewed the members of the Commission relative to the work of this club, and permission was granted to her for the use of the gymnasium at Southside one night a week, the details to be arranged with the Superintendent, Mr. Schlitter.

A telegram was received from Mr. Frank A. Lawler, requesting an extension of fifteen days, to enable him to make a further study of the Chicago Playground system.

On motion regularly moved and carried this request was granted, and the acting Secretary directed to notify Mr. Lawler accordingly.

A communication was received from Mrs. Iredale, principal of the Visitacion School, asking that some provision be made for the use of the schoolyard as a playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the communication was referred to the Board of Education.

A communication was received from Dr. Potter certifying to the illness of Miss Haynes. Same was ordered filed.

Communications were received from Miss Majorie Richmond, and Miss Louise Carpenter, asking to be granted the privilege of doing student work on the playgrounds. It was the sense of the commission that these privilege should not be extended at this time, owing to the emergency substitutes which are available at this time, and the Acting Secretary was directed to notify the young ladies accordingly.

A communication was received from Frederick D. Boese, stating that the work on the tank at Nineteenth and Angelica streets had been completed, with the exception of thatpart of the work which was obstructed by the Marshall School building, for which he suggested that the sum of two hundred dollars be deducted from the contract price to cover the cost of this construction. Mr. Boese also appeared before the Commission in person reporting that the work of Nilson and Arras had been completed in a very satisfactory manner, and suggested that when the time came for this uncompleted work to be done that Nilson and Arras be allowed to attend to same.

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On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Architect was approved and the acceptance payment of $ 501.69 ordered paid. It was the sense of the Commission that Nilson and Arras should be called on to do the uncompleted work when the Marshall School building shall have been removed.

On motion regularly moved and carried the acting Secretary was directed to send a notice to the Editor of the Municipal Record announcing the acceptance of the Tank at Nineteenth and Angelica streets, and to further state that final payment will be made thirty-five days from the date of the acceptance payment.

A communication from Ray Daugherty Director of Jackson Playground, reporting an accident to Miss Bernedette O'Donnell, 711 Tennessee St., was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Grace Fernald, Melrose Mass., containing an application for a position with the Playground Commission, same was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify the young lady that owing to her distant residence the Commission could not consider her application.

A communication was received from Miss Frances E. Ware, Director of Hamilton Playground, requesting the Commission to acknowledge by letter services rendered for the good of the department by Dr. Julius Rosenstirn, of Mt. Zion Hospital, Captain James Kelly of the Richmond Police Station, Officer Clancy, Officer Henry Zaun, and to accept the gratuitous services on the part of Dr. S. S. Ginsberg in cases of emergency which might arise on Hamilton Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Acting Secretary was directed to comply with the above request and send the letters above mentioned, also to accept with thanks the offer of gratuitous services on the part of Dr. Ginsberg.

A petition was received from the Mothers in the vicinity of Nob Hill requesting a playground in that district. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the interested parties that the block bounded by California Sacramento, Mason and Taylor streets owned by the Huntington estate was a very desirable location , and if this land could be secured for the Playground Commission, this department would be pleased to co-operate as far as possible, in the development of same.

A communication was received from Peter Stolberg, of the East Mission Improvement Association regarding the improvement of the lot at Kansas and twenty-sixth street , same was ordered filed.

A note was received from Mr. W. J. Lyons suggesting that the Playground Commission develop that piece of property at the South end of Potrero Avenue as a playground. On motion regularly moved and carried the Acting Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Lyons that funds were not available at this time for the development of the property in question.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from September 10th to 28th inclusive was approved as read.

The report of the Play Committee regarding the interview of male candidates for the position of Substitute Director, recommended the appointment of Joseph Conway. It was the sense of the Commission that Mr. Conway should be

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elected for that position, and assigned as soon as the work of the department requires the services of an additional male director. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Conway accordingly.

The Play Committee further requested that immediate steps be taken to have a definite answer from the Park Commissioners as to whether the Playground Commission is to have jurisdiction over the eastern half of Hamilton square as well as the Western half.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Acting Secretary was directed to communicate with the Park Commission at once, to ascertain the intentions of that department regarding Hamilton Square.

The acting Secretary reported that Sherman and Clay were willing to make a $45.00 allowance on the purchaseprice of a new piano $ 25.00 on the old piano and $24.00 six months rental allowance. The acting Secretary further reported that the Royal, price $250.00 was a suitable piano for the use of the North Beach Playground, the purchase price of which would be $ 201.00 in view of the above discount. On motion regularly moved and carried the purchase of the Royal was ordered by the Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to make inquiries regarding a suitable piano truck for the use of the department, and to secure the price of same, it was the sense of the Commission that the Superintendent should report such information as he might obtain at the next meeting of the Commission.

In discussing the salary paid to Mr. Fowler, the Secretary was directed to secure copies of the State Law governing the Compensation to be paid employees of the department when ill.

In discussing the slide at North Beach Playground, the Superintendent was directed to make such changes , as Mr. Rossi Chairman of the Grounds Committee would suggest.

On motion regularly moved and carried the request of Mr. Lundie that a number of boys of grammar school age, who meet in the gymnasium at North Beach Playground on Monday evenings, be granted the privilege of the swimming tank on that evening, was referred to Mr. Rossi for investigation.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Schlitter was directed to look into the labor situation in the Department with Mr. Rossi. It was the sense of the Commission that in addition help, such as laborers, carpenters etc., should be employed in the department without the consent of the Chairman of the Grounds Committee.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Rossi and Mr. Schlitter were instructed to make arrangements with Mr. Carroll for a two inch surface on the Spring Valley Playground Site, it being understood that Mr. Carroll would supply loam necessary for a two inch surface, level same, provide a man for that purpose all for the sum of $ 175.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the Acting Secretary was directed to notify the Howard Automobile Company, that as no definite

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answer had been received from the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors regarding the purchase of an automobile for this department, the Playground Commission withdraws any understanding which might exist regarding the purchase of a Buick car.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to have a hydrant installed on the Spring Valley Playground, and to have the necessary connections made with the Spring Valley Water Co.

Demands and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $4908.93 were approved and ordered paid (salaries $2753.00 demands 2155.93)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:10 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan

Acting Secretary.

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San Francisco, October 15th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners,	Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Marshal Hale, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent	Commissioners,	Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Communications.

A communication was received from Mr. Harry Tiedeman of the Peoples Place requesting the use of the North Beach Playground for the purpose of conducting exercises and games thereon. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Tiedeman that all games on the Playgrounds were under the control of the Director, according to a rule of the Commission.

A communication was received from Miss Nannette Leavy reporting an accident to Fred Sciocchetti, same was ordered filed and the Superintendent directed to thoroughly investigate the matter.

A communication from the Auditor regarding the purchase of an automobile for this department was ordered filed.

In general discussion regarding the purchase of a machine, the matter was referred to Mr. Lawler and Mr. Rossi with power to act.

A communication was received from the Bay View Addition Improvement Club, requesting the Playground Commission to develop a schoolyard playground on the grounds of the Harrison School, located on Railroad Ave., between Jamestown and Key avenues. The Secretary was directed to communicate with the Secretary of the Improvement Club stating that funds for that purpose were not available at the present time.

A communication was received from the Park Commission regarding the transfer of Hamilton Square , same was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to get in touch with the Park Commission and see if the matter could be expedited.

A communication was received from Mr. H. Fuelscher, manager of the Union Iron Works Baseball Team # 2, requesting the use of the baseball diamond at Jackson Playground three afternoons a week between the hours of 4:45 and 5:30 p.m., for practice games.

The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Fuelscher that adults were not permitted to use the grounds any afternoon in the week other than Sunday.

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A communication was received from Dr. Potter certifying to the illness of Miss Haynes, Director of Southside Playground.

A communication was received from Mr. Ray Daugherty, Director of Jackson Playground, requesting the use of the Auditorium at Jackson on the evening of November 16th 1914, by the Busy Bees, A club of Girls. This request was granted and the Secretary directed to communicate with Miss Murthin requesting her presence on that occasion.

The report of the Superintendent for the period from September 28th to October 15th inclusive was accepted as read.

In discussing the work done at the Yerba Buena School, the Superintendent was directed to have the petition cut down three feet.

Demands and current expenses for the month amounting to $ 780.53 were approved and ordered paid.

Mr. I. Beck, Chairman of the Parks and Playground Section of the Recreation League appeared before the Commission inthe interest of developing a portion of Jefferson Square as a Playground, and assured the Commission of the hearty co-operation of his section of the League in assisting the Commission to procure a larger appropriation for the next fiscal year.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

F. B. Lander

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 29th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present:	Commissioners	Rev. D.O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent:	Commissioners	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was,on motion regularly moved and carried dispensed with.

Communications

An invitation from the Yerba Buena School inviting the members of the Playground Commission to attend a Halloween party on October 31st was ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Zellerbach Paper Company asking the use of one of the Playground baseball diamonds for a game on Thanksgiving morning. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the manager, Mr. B. Levinson that the grounds were not to be open on the morning of Thanksgiving day.

A communication was received from Mr. J. Wilson asking the use of the Jackson diamond for a game on Sunday November 1st 1914 , between the members of the County Clerks Office and the Traffic Squad of the Police Department. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Wilson that the request was granted.

A communication was received from the Board of Education notifying this department that the ground formerly occupied by the Hamilton School had been cleared, combed, fired and cleaned, same was ordered filed and on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary directed to thank the Board of Education for the excellent condition in which they had left this property and also to thank them for the expedite manner in which the work was accomplished.

A communication from Mr. Peter Carter complaining of certain conditions at the Excelsior Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to have Miss Evans and Mr. Pennaluna call on Miss Regan for the purpose of discussing the complaint, the Secretary was further directed to notify Mr. Carter that the matter was being investigated.

A communication was received from Mr. Milton Wilder, Swimming instructor at the Bath House, asking for extra help on account of the increased attendance. Referred to Mr. Rossi for investigation.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Regan and Mrs. Hayward were appointed to investigate the personal of the department

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The resignation of Mr. Schlitter as Superintendent of the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco, to take affect November 15th 1914, was accepted by the Commission with regret.

Mr. Joseph R. Hickey was elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Schlittersubject to the approval of the absent Commissioners.

The report of the Superintendent from the period of October 15th to October 29th 1914, was approved as read and the following action taken on the various suggestions contained therein.

The installation of the gymnasium apparatus at the Bay View School was referred to Miss Regan and Mrs. Hayward, with power to act.

The installation of a telephone at the Yerba Buena School was ordered.

The matter of Peanuts and apple for the Hallow'een party at Jackson Playground was referred to Miss Regan and Mrs. Hayward.

The painting of the flag poles at Jackson and Southside playgrounds was deferred.

The following matters which are to be taken up with the judiciary committee of the Board of Supervisors, were referred to a committee composed of Miss Regan, Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Rossi.

1. That a certain sum be set aside for the maintenance of the playgrounds viz: a certain percentage of the taxes.

2. That the members of the Playground Commission should be appointed for a term of years, terms so arranged that there would be a vacancy to be filled at the end of each year.

3. That the Playground Commission should have charge of the examinations of employees.

On motion regularly moved and carried the selection of rooms for the Playground Commission in the new city hall, was referred to Mr. Rossi for investigation.

Bills and current expenses for the month amounting to the sum of $ 6842.93 were approved and ordered paid (salaries $2648.00 maintenance $4194.93)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:45 p.m.

F. A. Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 12th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m. President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present — Commissioners: Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Mrs. F. E. Baum, Albert Park, Auckland, New Zealand, requesting information regarding the playground situation in this city, with a view of using such information in planing a playground systemin Auckland, same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward such information as he might have at his disposal.

A communication from Miss Ynid Rose Ostrom outlining conditions at the Presidio Heights playground was ordered filed, in discussing the letter it was the sense of the Commission that it was in advisible to permit larger boys to interfere with the play of the smaller children, and the plans adopted by the young lady in charge of the grounds are agreeable under present circumstances.

A communication was received from Miss Frances E. Ware requesting the Playground Commission to acknowledge by letter the assistance rendered by Miss Felton and Miss Kane of the associated charities in handling the problems which have arisen from time to time on Hamilton Playground. The Secretary was directed to write the letters above mentioned.

A communication from Miss Ware outlining neighborhood conditions adjacent to Hamilton Playground was ordered filed.

A communication from Miss Freese, Director of North Beach Playground relative to the Mothers Club participating in the dedication of the Stockton street Tunnel was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same stating that the Commission was of the opinion that it was not within their jurisdiction to affirm or deny the request.

A communication from Miss Freese requesting the Playground Commission to appropriate the sum of five dollars to defray expenses to be incurred by a lecture to be given by Mr. Louis Leavy under the auspices of the Clubs of the North Beach Playground was ordered filed.

On motion regularly moved and carried this sum was appropriated, and the Secretary directed to notify Miss Freese accordingly with the recommendation that the lecture be given in the auditorium of the Hancock School,

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the Commission being of the opinion that the Field House at the North Beach Playground is not large enough to accomodate the number who will avail themselves of this lecture.

The Superintendent, made a verbal report of conditions as he found them on the playgrounds.

Miss Regan reporting for the Committee on Charter amendments stated that sufficient data for a complete report had not been gathered at this time;

Mr. Mc Laren presented a plan for the development of Hamilton Playground which was accepted by the Playground Commission as a general plan for the development of the aforesaid ground.

A committee from the Mothers Club of the Spring Valley School appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Spring Valley Playground and were assured by the Commission that everything was being done to complete, as soon as possible, the above mentioned ground.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $ 467.48 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

F A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 27th 1914.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley, presiding

Present — Commissioners, Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent — Commissioner, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication was received from the Board of Education granting permission to use the auditorium of the Hancock School on the evening of December 9th 1914, for a lecture to be given by Mr. Louis Levy under the auspices of the Associated Clubs of the North Beach Playground. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same expressing the thanks of the Playground Commission for this courtesy.

Communications from the Park Commission dated November 12th and 20th respectively relative to the transfer of Hamilton Square to the Playground Commission were received and ordered filed and the Secretary directe to acknowledge receipt of same stating that the offer of the Park Commission was acceptable to this Board and to further add that a committee composed of Rev. D. O. Crowley and Mr. John Mc Laren had called on the City and County Attorney (Mr. Percy V. Long) and were advised by said attorney that in as much as the transfer of Hamilton Square from the Park to the Playground Commission had been made in regular session of the Park Commission, further legal procedure in the matter would not be necessary.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors stating that that parcel of land described as follows: Commencing at a point on the easterly line of Nineteenth Avenue, distant thereon 225 feet northerly from the northerly line of California street, running thence at right angles northerly along said easterly line of Nineteenth avenue, 150 feet ; thence at right angles easterly 240 feet to the westerly line of Eighteenth avenue; thence at right angles southerly along said westerly line of Eighteenth avenue 150 feet; thence at right angles westerly 240 feet to the said easterly line of Nineteenth avenue to point of commencement; had been transferred in regular session of the Board of Supervisors to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission to be developed by that Board as a playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the transfer was accepted.

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Mr. Rossi reported that the Recreation League desired the co-operation of the Playground Commission in promoting a recreation Congress to be held in San Francisco during the Exposition Year. On motion regularly moved and carried it was the sense of the Commission that this body should cooperate to the extent of participating in the San Francisco day.

The following action was taken on the various recommendations contained in the report of the Superintendent.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was the sense of the Commission that no extension of time should be granted to the present existing leases on the property of the Playground Commission in Bryant Street, and the Secretary directed to notify the lesees accordingly.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Grounds Committee was directed to commence the work of development at Hamilton Playground, and the Play Committee directed to plan for the activities.

It was the sense of the Commission that the activities of the Truant Officers on the Playgrounds were not desired unless called in by the Director in charge of the Playground.

The purchase of supplies to be used in connection with the Christmas festivities was referred to the Play Committee with power to act.

Demands and current expenses for the month amounting to $ 3681.77 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:30 p.m.

F A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 10th 1914.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 4 o'clock p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners	Rev. D.O.Crowley, Mrs. M.S.Hayward, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent:	Commissioners	Mr. John Mc Laren, Miss Agnes C. Regan.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Mr. Zoeth S. Eldredge, requesting the Playground Commission to exert its influence to prevent the Municipal Railway from crossing Golden Gate by means of an open cut, was read and ordered filed as well as the accompanying letter addressed to the Park Commission. On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Eldredge that this commission would confer with Mr. Mc Laren on the subject.

A communication was received from Miss Rebecca Jacobs, Chairman Educational Committee, San Francisco Section, Council of Jewish Women, asking the Playground Commission to develop the lower half of Jefferson Square as a public playground.

The Secretary was directed to notify Miss Jacobs that this park being under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission, this Board had no authority over the area in question.

A communication from Mr. Thomas F. Boyle, Auditor, City and County referring to the payment of the demand covering the purchase of an automobile for the use of the Playground Commission was ordered filed, and Mr. Rossi and Secretary Frank A. Lawler appointed to take this matter up with the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Marshal Hale reporting for the Play Committee recommended the appointment of Miss Stella Harris to the position of Director of Spring Valle Playground, and Miss Helen Roome Ellis to fill the vacancy on the substitute list occasioned by the promotion of Miss Harris.

On motion regularly moved and carried the recommendations as above outlined were approved and the appointments made accordingly to become effective January 1st 1915.

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The proposed Charter Amendments as presented by the Committee appointed to report on same, were acceptable to this Board and on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to conver with Supervisor J. Emmet Hayden regarding the presentation of the proposed amendments to the Board of Supervisors.

On motion regularly moved and carried Rev. D. O. Crowley and Mr. Angelo J. Rossi were appointed a committee of two to appear before the Park Commission on Thursday December 17th 1914, for the purpose of having the appropriation of $7,500.00 made by the Supervisors for the construction of a convenience station in Hamilton Square turned over to the Playground Commission.

Demands to date amounting to 474.43 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:30 p.m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 31st 1914.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:45 p.m.

Present	Commissioners:	Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan.
Absent	Commissioners:	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

In the absence of a quorum the business taken up at this meeting was to be subject to the approval of the Board at the next regularmeeting.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from the Park Commission enclosing a letter from the Noe Valley Promotion Association requesting the installation of swings and slides in a lot adjacent to the Noe Valley School. On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that funds for such a purpose were not available at this time.

A communication from the Park Commission again requesting the Playground Commission to transfer the western half of Hamilton Square to the Park Board----- , in order that the Park Commission might then transfer the entire area of Hamilton back to the Playground Commission imposing certain restrictions regarding the development of same, was on motion regularly moved and carried ordered filed and action in the matter deferred until the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

A communication was received from the Pacific Association of the Amatuer Athletic Union requesting that in considering the plans for Hamilton Playground , a field house be constructed with provision for an indoor basketball court, and space for two or three hundred spectators. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to state that in considering the plans for Hamilton this request would be discussed; plans at this time have not progressed far enough to include the field house.

A communication was received from Miss Gladys Seabury, Milford New Hampshire requesting information regarding a position with the San Francisco Playground Commission, same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating there were no vacancies in this department at this time.

Communications from David Allen Anderson, Department of Education, University of Washington, and from C. M. Merritt, department of Parks

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Patterson, N. J. requesting information and printed matter on the local playground situation were ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same giving such information as he might have on the subject.

A communication was received from Berkeley Somers, asking the Playground Commission to take steps to assist the children in the neighborhood of Alta Plaza to obtain permission to play in that Park, this permission having been denied by the man in charge of the ground. On motion regularly moved and carried the letter was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the Playground Commission would interview the members of the Park Commission to have steps taken by that body to relieve the situation.

Mr. Lawler reported that the proposed amendments relative to the Playground Commission were in the hands of the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Supervisors, who would notify the Playground Commission when to appear before the Board in the interest of said amendments.

Salaries for the month of December and current expenses to date amounting to $ 3640.70 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 7th 1914.

Notices for a special meeting on the above date failed to record a quorum.

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San Francisco, January 14th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, Mr. Marshal Hale, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent	Commissioner	Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and all actions taken by the minority board at the meeting of December 31st, approved.

Election

Consistent with Section 1. Rules of the Playground Commission, nominations for President were declared in order.

On motion made by Mr. Hale, seconded by Mr. Rossi Father Crowley was nominated for this office, there being no further nominations, Father Crowley was unanimously elected President for the ensueing year.

The Board then adjourned for a short recess to attned the meeting of the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Supervisors to consider the proposed charter amendments.

Continuation of meeting

A communication from the Multiplex Display Fixture Company requesting the playground Commission to purchase one of the screens in order that the photographs of the Depertment might be displayed to better advantage, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. Feintuch stating that the Commission would not consider the purchase until such time as this office had moved into the new quarters in the City Hall.

In discussing a communication from the Park Commission regarding the transfer of the Western half of Hamilton Square to the Playground Commission it was the sense of the Commission that, in as much as the City Attorney is of the opinion that the transfer of the entire square from the Park Commission to this department had been made in regular session , it would not be necessary to do anything further in the matter, and the Secretary was directed to notify the Park Commission accordingly.

The recommendation of the Superintendent re-- the removel of the handball courts at the Bay View and Yerba Buena School and the installation of traveling rings at the latter playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried approved.

Demands for the month to date amounting to $ 150.45 were approved and ordered paid.

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There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank A Lourk
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 28th 1915.

Notices having been sent out for a meeting of the Playground Commission on the above date failed to record a quorum

Frank A Lourk
Secretary.

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San Francisco, February 4th 1915.

Notices having been sent out for a meeting of the Playground Commission on the above date failed to record a quorum.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

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San Francisco, February 11th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 p.m., President. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding

Present: Commissioners, Mrs. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Commissioner Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

Communications were received from the Secretaries of the Olympic Club, and the Public Schools Athletic League, requesting the Playground Commission to make provision for an indoor Basketball court, with ample room for two or three hundred spectators, when considering the plans for a field house at Hamilton Playground. Same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply stating that this Commission would give this request due consideration when the plans were being prepared.

A communication was received from Mr. Marshal Hale, Chairman of the Citizens committee appointed to arrange the exercises for the opening of the Panama Pacific International Exposition on February 20th 1915, requesting the cooperation of the Playground Commission in the parade planned for that day. Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same and to notify Mr. Paul T. Carroll, Chairman of the Parade Committee of the intention of the members of the Commission to participate in the parade and to furthe state that all employees of the department would also be in line..

On motion regularly moved and carried it was decided that all playgrounds should remain closed until the hour of 1 p.m. on February 20th, and the Secretary was directed to notify the directors accordingly.

Communications were received from W. P. Fuller Co., the Western Transfer and storage Co., in reply to letters from this office notifying th above mentioned firms, that this commission did not intend renewing the present existing leases on the city property located on Bryant street adjacent to the improved portion of Southside Playground. The leases in question expire on June 30th 1915. Same ordered filed.

A communication was received from Eusta e Peixotto, requesting the Playground Commission to vote the sum of $ 25.00 to help defray expenses incurred by the Playground Congress which is to be held in this city during the month of July.

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On motion regularly moved and carried the sum aforesaid was granted and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Peixotto accordingly.

A copy of a resolution from the Board of Supervisors, notifying this Commission that the budget for the coming fiscal year must be ready by March 6th 1915, was ordered filed.

In discussing the development of Hamilton Playground, it was the sense of the Commission that no work should be done in this matter until such time as a committee composed of Mr. De Groot, Mr. Hickey and the members of the Grounds Committee of the Playground Commission should meet and decide on a definite plan.

On motion regularly moved and carried Father Crowley and Mr. Rossi were appointed a committee to confer with Mr. Metson of the Park Commission regarding the transfer of Hamilton Square to this department.

Mrs. Hayward reported that the Playground Commission had been requested to appoint a director of play on the ground to be operated by the Panama Pacific International Exposition Company, and on motion regularly moved and carried this appointment was referred to the Play Committee with power to act.

In discussing the situation relative to the above mentioned playground it was the sense of the Commission that all playground Directors in this department should be permitted to visit the ground, And the Superintendent was directed to arrange a schedule whereby all our Directors would be permitted to take advantage of this program.

A discussion relative to the personnel of the department resulted in the adoption of a resolution appointing the Play Committee to investigate and report on the advisability of transferring directors.

Mr. Sydney G. Peixotto appeared before the Commission in the interest of the proposed summer camp for boys, it was the sense of the Commission that should the camp become a reality, a director from this department would be permitted to take charge of same.

Bills and current expenses to the amount of $4240.03, (salaries $2675.00 and bills 1565.03) were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p.m.

Frank Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 25th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners,	Mrs. M.S.Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent:	Commissioners,	Mr. Geo. Gallagher, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications.

A Communication was received from Dr. Anna P. Strong, requesting the name of the person or persons for whom passes would be desired to the Exposition Grounds, for demonstrations in connection with the Childrens Welfare Bureau, Dr. Strong having previously requested that a director from this department be named to assist in the above mentioned demonstrations. Referred to the Play Committee with power to act.

A communication was received from Thomas Murphy requesting the Playground Commission to place him on the list of monthly employees of the department. Referred to the Grounds Committee.

The report of the Superintendent was accepted as read and the following action taken on the recommendations contained therein.

1. That Miss Dorothy Welch should be employed as a musician during the preparations for the May Day Festival.

2. The removal of the present slide at Presidio Heights Playground and the installation of a smaller one was approved.

3. The change of location of the handball court at Bay View and Yerba Buena Schoolyard Playgrounds was ordered.

4. The change of location of the handball court at the Excelsior Play ground was approved.

The report of the Play Committee regarding the personnel of the department resulted in the Secretary being directed to notify Miss Aileen Jones that owing to the conditions existing in the department the Commission cannot offer any encouragement with regard to an appointment and to notify Miss Hanlan that her work during the period in which her activities were under observation would not permit of the Commission offering any further encouragement in this line.

The plans submitted by Mr. De Groot for the development of Hamilton Playground were accepted by the Commission with a recommendation that the space allotted to Parking be shortened fifty feet, and on motion regularly moved and carried Mr. De Groot and Mr. Hickey were directed to

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to proceed with the work immediately according to the plans above mentioned.

In discussing the Budget estimates for 1915-16 the Finance Committee were directed to meet on Friday evening, February 26th at 8 p.m. to prepare same for presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $3606.22 were approved and ordered paid (Salaries $2675.00, Labor $743.34 operating expenses $188.48)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p.m.

Frank A Lowe

Secretary.

Budget estimate for 1915-16 as Presented to the Board of Supervisors.

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SALARIES AND ADMINISTRATION

Secretary	$ 1800.00	
Superintendent	1800.00	
Stenographer	1200.00	$4800.00
NORTH BEACH PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	
Director of Girls	1200.00	
Gardener	1080.00	
Janitor	960.00	4440.00
NORTH BEACH BATH HOUSE		
Swimming Instructor	1200.00	
Assistant	960.00	2160.00
SOUTHSIDE PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	
Director of Girls	1200.00	
Janitor	1080.00	
Gardener	1080.00	4560.00
JACKSON PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	
Director of Girls	1200.00	
Gardener	1080.00	
Janitor	960.00	4440.00
HAMILTON PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	
Director of Girls	1200.00	
Gardener	1116.00	
Janitor	960.00	4476.00
EXCELSIOR PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	
Director of Girls	1200.00	
Gardener	1080.00	3480.00
BAY VIEW SCHOOLYARD PLAYGROUND		
Director	900.00	900.00
YERBA BUENA SCHOOLYARD PLAY ROUND		
Director	900.00	900.00
PRESIDIO HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	1200.00
HOLLY PARK PLAYGROUND		
Director	1200.00	1200.00
SPRING VALLEY PLAYGROUND		
Director	1050.00	1050.00
SUBSTITUTE DIRECTORS		
4 at a salary of $75.00 per month	3600.00	3600.00
SUPERVISION OF SCHOOLYARD PLAYGROUNDS 4	2400.00	2400.00
MARSHALL PATHS		
Swimming Instructor 6 months	600.00	
Assistant 6 months	480.00	1080.00 $40,686.00

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MAINTENANCE

Water	$ 6000.00	
Play Supplies	3000.00	
Hardware, Medical and Janitor Supplies	2000.00	
Light and Power	1000.00	
Administration Expenses	500.00	
Teaming	500.00	
Operation of Bath House North Beach	700.00	
Repair of Grounds	3500.00	
Carpenter, Painter and Laborer	4000.00	
Maintenance of Auto	600.00	
Development of Grounds, Construction, Equipment etc.	5000.00	$26,800.00

DEVELOPMENT

MARSHALL BATH HOUSE

Completion of Bath House	12,000.00	
Installation of Filters	2,000.00	
Tank, Tower and Pump	2,500.00	
Furnishing and Equipment	2,000.00	18,500.00
SPRING VALLEY PLAYGROUND		
Erection of Field House	1,000.00	1,000.00
LOT ON 18th AVENUE		
Development of Same	3,000.00	3,000.00
CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S HOSPITAL SITE		
Retaining Wall on North Side	1,400.00	
Bulkhead Sacramento Street	750.00	
Surfacing	1,350.00	
Equipment	2,000.00	
Field House	1,000.00	6,500.00

Summary

Salaries	$40,686.00
Maintenance	26,800.00
Development	29,000.00
	596,486.00

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San Francisco, March 11th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present	Commissioners	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent	Commissioners	Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was receivedfrom Mr. Edwin A. Elsbach, 3127 Washington Street, complaining of conditions at Alta Plaza, Steiner and Clay streets. this Park being under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission the Secretary was directed to forward the letter to that Board, and to notify Mr. Elsbach accordingly.

A communication from Mr. Wm. H. Metson, President of the Park Commission asvising the Grounds Committee of the Playground Commission to confer with Mr. Mc Laren regarding the transfer of Hamilton Square was ordered filed and the Grounds Committee directed to act accordingly.

A communication was received from Auditor Thomas F. Boyle, requesting the Playground Commission to forward to him a copy of the budget estimate for 1915-16 as presented to the Board of Supervisors. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward the copy as requested.

A communication was received from the Knights of the Royal Arch announcing the endorsement of Charter Amendment # 34, which refers to the term of office of the Playground Commissioners, by that Organization. Same was ordered filed.

Mr. Butler and Mr. Lynch of the Bay View Improvement Club appeared before the Commission with a request that an appropriation for the purchase of that certain block bounded by Jennings, Gillman, Ingalls and Hollister street, be incorporated in the budget presented to the Board of Supervisors in order that playground facilities might be secured for the Bay View District. It was the sense of the Commission that this recommendation should be made to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Rossi reporting for the Grounds Committee made the recommendation that Mr. Thomas F. Murphy should be appointed on the monthly pay roll of the department at a salary of $90.00 per month. On motion regularly moved and carried this recommendation was adopted.

It was the sense of this Commission that Mr. Egan should be employed in the capacity of labor, a position formerly filled by Mr. Murphy.

In discussing the development of Hamilton Playground it was the sense of the Commission that no money other than that required for absolute

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necessities should be expended on any ground, and that all funds available should be devoted to Hamilton Playground. That bids should be asked for all work to be done, said bids to be referred to the Grounds Committee before any contracts were let.

A committee composed of Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Rossi, Father Crowley, Mr. Hickey and Mr. De Groot was appointed to confer with Mr. Mullgardt regarding plans for a Field House at Hamilton Playground.

The Secretary was directed to communicate with Mrs. Spencer Principal of the Emerson School, suggesting that she communicate with the Board of Education asking for a piano at the school to be used in connection with the folk dancing.

In discussing the plans for May Day it was resolved on motion regularly moved and carried, that due preparation should be made for individual celebrations on the grounds on the South side of town, and in the event of free admission being granted the children to the grounds of the Panama Pacific Exposition that this department would participate with the Exposition Directors in the celebration of their May Day.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 1164.56 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 30th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 11:00 a.m., President D. O. Crowley, Presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. H. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with the following amendment:

On motion regularly moved and carried the Playground Commission transfer the Westerly half of Hamilton Square to the Park Commission, with the understanding that the Park Commission will in turn transfer the whole of Hamilton Square to the Playground Commission with certain conditions attached thereto, and the Secretary directed to notify the Park Commission of aforesaid resolution.

A communication from Miss K. F. Casey, Principal of the Yerba Buena School, addressed to Miss Agnes Regan of the Board of Education, complaining about the sand box at the Yerba Buena School was read and ordered filed. The Secretary directed to notify Miss Casey that the sand would be removed as per her request.

A communication from Ray Daugherty Director of Jackson Playground, regarding adults playing on the grounds was ordered filed. The following rule was on motion regularly moved and carried adopted: That adults will not be permitted on the playgrounds any afternoon other than Sunday and Holidays, except by permission from the Commission.

Applications for positions as play directors were received from Miss Roxy Burns, Rome Georgia, Robert Sturges, 600 West 122nd St., N.Y. City, Miss Gertrude Smith, 215 West Pearl St., Pomona, Cal., and Miss Margaret Andrews Mills College, California. Same were placed on file and the Secretary directed to notify the various applicants that there were no openings in the department at this time.

A communication was received from P. Bertelsen requesting employment in the department, same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notit the applicant there was no opening at this time.

The awarding of the contract for the paving of the tennis and basket-ball courts at Hamilton Playground, by the Grounds Committee, to the Fay Improvement Co., at 8¢ per square foot, was on motion regularly moved and carried, approved.

The opening of the Swimming Tank at the North Beach Playground was ordered during the second or third week of April, dependent on weather

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conditions. The matter of selecting help in connection with the operation of the bath house was referred to the Play Committee.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to send a letter of thanks to the owner of the Garage opposite the Spring Valley Playground, for the courtesies extended to the director on the above mentioned playground.

The opening of the playgrounds on Sunday at 11 o'clock to permit of the use of the baseball diamond, was on motion regularly moved and carried denied. The Superintendent was directed to investigate the situation and see if, by keeping the grounds open until 6 p.m., on Sundays, arrangements might be made for an additional game of ball.

The request of Miss Gertrude Freese, Director of Girls at North Beach Playground to have a representative from the State Housing and Immigration Commission to lecture before the members of the Mothers Club on "Housing and Immigration" was granted.

A discussion relative to a photographer who has been taking pictures of the children on Hamilton Playground, resulted in the following rule, which was on motion regularly moved and carried, adopted by the Commission:

Agents or Vendors of any description will not be permitted to operate on the playgrounds.

In discussing the purchasing of materials and supplies for the department it was on motion regularly moved and carried, resolved that all orders for materials and supplies must be accompanied by a requisition from the office.

The following action wastaken on the suggestions of the Superintendent.

Preparations for May Day necessitating the services of an additional musician, permission was granted to make arrangements for such assistant.

The selection of additional apparatus for Hamilton playground was referred to Mr. De Groot, Mr. Hickey and the Play Committee.

The selection of the dates for the May Festivals on the playgrounds, was postponed to a later date.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $3943.63 (Salaries 2765.00 Current Expenses 515.63 and labor 663.00) were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 12:55.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 15th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on Thursday April 15th 1915, at the hour of 2:45 p.m., President Rev. D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners	Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent	Commissioners,	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Lees J. Schantz, requesting his vacation for a period of two weeks commencing June 1st 1915, was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to notify all employees to make arrangements for their vacations with the Superintendent, it was the sense of the Commission that no vacations should be allowed during the period in which the public schools were closed for the summer vacation.

A communication from Dr. William Peters, testifying to the illness of Miss Hulda Popper was ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Park Commission incorporating the following resolution:

"Resolved that Hamilton Square be and is hereby transferred to the Playground Commission provided a portion of each end not less than two hundred and forty feet (240) and a strip on each side not less than eighteen feet (18) be retained for Park purposes"

Same was ordered filed and on motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of said letter and to state that the transfer of Hamilton Square as per above letter was accepted.

The report of Miss Ynid Rose Ostrom regarding the accident to Arnold Rumwell, 3326 Clay------ Street on April 7th, and to Harry Gibbs, 3169 California Street on April 9th, was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Dr. Arnold Rumwell regarding the accident to his son on Presidio Heights Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Dr. Rumwell that the matter of disciplining the La Fortune boy had been referred to the Superintendent, and to state furthermore that in future large boys would not be permitted on the Presidio Heights Playground.

A communication from Mr. E. Penaluna requesting that young working boys in the vicinity of Excelsior Playground be allowed to practise baseball on Saturday afternoons on the playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Penaluna that it was the sense of the Commission that the group referred to be permitted the use of baseball diamond on the aforesaid afternoons.

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A communication was received from Louis H. Mooser requesting the Playground Commission to furnish benches at the Yerba Buena School for the Flag Raising Exercises which are- to be held on April 25th. Referred to the Board of Education and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Mooser of said action.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved that insubordination to any of the following rules shall be reported to the Playground Commission, and the Secretary directed to forward to the Director of each playground a copy of said rules.

" The Director is in charge of the grounds and is responsible for the manner in which the workers perform their duties, the play supplies and up-keep of the grounds.

When in the operation of the grounds it is necessary to give instructions over the telephone, such instructions will be given to the director in charge, such director being the only person on the grounds authorized to give such instructions. to workers.

The Director on the grounds will be notified of any instructions given the workers either by the Superintendent or from the office, such notice to be written or verbal. It is the duty of each director to see that such instructions are carried out. Should any discrepancy occur same is to be reported to the office or the Superintendent at once.

When repairs are immediately necessary the director in charge of the playground will notify the office, when repairs are of a character not requiring immediate attention same are to be reported to the Superintendent.

The foregoing applies to the man director, in his absence the woman director assumes these responsibilities.

Regarding activities on the grounds: the man director is to program all games etc., for the boys, and the woman director is to have charge of all activities for the girls; but cooperation on the part of all directors is demanded at all times.

Time cards must be signed on arrival at and departure from the grounds, only the exact time of such arrival and departure is to be noted. Employees are not to leave the playgrounds during working hours without having obtained permission for such absence, and before leaving the grounds the employee must notify the office. This privilege may be obtained only through the office or from the Superintendent. The Director is to note on the time card any absence, stating the cause of same.

Time cards must be filed not later than Tuesday of each week, and monthly report sheets on or before the third of each month. Requisitions for play and miscellaneous supplies must be filed on or before Tuesday of each week."

On recommendation of Mr. Marshal Hale, Paul Bernhard was appointed swimming instructor at the North Beach Bath House for a period of one month at a salary of $100.00 per month commencing April 15th. As such instructor Mr. Bernhard is to be responsible for the maintenance and up-keep of the Bath House. Mrs. Silva was appointed assistant at the Bath House at a salary of $ 50. per month, the particular duties in conjunction with the position to be outlined by the Superintendent.

In discussing the situation at Hamilton Playground it was the desire of the Commission that a fence should be erected as soon as possible, and a committee composed of Mr. Hickey, Mrs. Hayward and Mr. De Groot were appointed to act in the manner.

Bills to the amount of 340.44 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank J. Wade

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 30th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:15 p.m.

Present	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes Regan,
Absent	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. A. J. Rossi, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

Those present sat as a Minority Board, all action taken to be subject to the approval of the Commission at the next regular meeting.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from C. B. Graves, Secretary of the Library in connection with the University of Illinois, asking that such printed matter as might be available on the local playground situation, should be forwarded for use in the University library. Letter placed on file and the Secretary directed to forward such information and printed matter as he had on hand.

A communication from Mr. Hale enclosing recommendations of Paul Bernhards, was received and ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Emerson Mothers Club, asking the playground Commission to take such steps as might be necessary to have signs placed in the vicinity of playgrounds, requesting auto drivers to slow down to 15 miles an hour when passing playgrounds, letter placed on file and the Secretary directed to notify the Mothers Club that this Commission would co-operate in this matter.

A communication from Mr. Pain of the Y.M.C.A. requesting the Commission to take steps to foster the game of Volley Ball on the Playgrounds was referred to the Superintendent and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Pain accordingly.

In discussing the May Day Fete at Hamilton Playground, the date of the program and arrangements for same was deferred, pending a report from Mr. Hickey at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried the plans submitted by the Superintendent for the fence at Hamilton Playground were accepted, and Mr. Hickey was directed to solicit bids for the construction of same.

On motion regularly moved and carried the request of Miss Byrne for her vacation during the first part of June was granted.

On motion regularly moved and carried the printing of the proposed program for the Southside May Festival was approved.

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Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 13th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present, Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Hale
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent Miss Regan,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and on motion regularly moved and carried the acts of the Minority Board are considered as, and are the acts of the majority of the Playground Commission.

A communication from Ray Daugherty, Director of Jackson Playground, requesting that adults be permitted to use Jackson Playground on Saturday afternoon, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Play Committee.

A communication from the Polk and Larkin Street District Association calling the attention of this Commission to the sidewalk in front of the Spring Valley Playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to communicate with the Board of Public Works regarding same.

A communication from the Board of Education requesting that the tank at Southside Playground be connected with the Ethan Allen School, in order that this water might be used in case of fire, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Grounds Committee.

A request from the Potrero Women's Club for the use of the Auditorium at Jackson Playground on the evening of June 9th and 10th, was on motion regularly moved and carried, granted.

Dr. Levy appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Playground at the Yerba Buena School, it was the sense of the Commission that this situation should be discussed more fully at the next meeting of the Commission, at which time Dr. Leavy was invited to be present.

A delegation from the Mothers Club of the Yerba Buena School appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Yerba Buena Playground, and were referred to the Board of Education for further information.

The opening and acceptance of bids for the fence at Hamilton Playground was referred to the Grounds Committee with power to act.

The replacing of the door entering the shower room at the North Beach Bath House was referred to the grounds committee with power to act.

In discussing the handball courts at Hamilton Playground, it was the sense of the Commission that the location of same should be changed from Geary street to the Post street side of the Dquare.

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Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 744.49 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank Adams
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 27th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:00 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley presiding

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan.
Absent:	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. George Gallagher.

The members present sat as a minority Board, all actions taken at the session to be subject to the approval of the Commission, at the next regular meeting.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, enclosing a letter from Mrs. Benecke, 3429 Clay St., relative to the attitude of the Board of Supervisors, with regard to purchasing that property adjoining the Presidio Heights playground. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to call this matter to the attention of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors enclosing a copy of Journal Resolution No 1799 relative to Team Owners protecting the City Against liability due to accident by providing indemnity insurance . The Secretary and Superintendent were directed to notify all team owners doing fork for this department to see that their drivers were so insured.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, enclosing a letter from the North Beach Political Association protesting against soot and oil falling into the tank at the North Beach Playground. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to look up the ordinance covering such a question, and in the event of there being no ordinance governing such nuisance to take the necessary steps to procure the passage of a suitable measure.

A communicationfrom Mr. Marshal Hale, Chairman of the Play Committee regarding the use of baseball diamonds on Saturday afternoon, was read and ordered filed, and the ruling now in force in the department ordered maintained Viz: Adults are not to be permitted to use theplaygrounds any afternoon in the week other than Sundays.

A communication was received from Lawrence Brandt manager of the baseball team from the firm of Heller and Klein, requesting the use of Jackson

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Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 744.49 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 27th 1915.

MEETING.

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Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale,
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Playgrounds baseball diamond on the afternoon of Saturday June 5th. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the interested party that owing to the rule now in force on the playgrounds this permission was denied.

A communication from Miss Paulina Dinwiddie requesting a position on the Playgrounds during the Summer period was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the young lady that there were no vacancies at this time.

A communication from Reverend Samuel Quickmire pastor of Howard Street Methodist Episcopal Church, requesting that a number of boys from his church be granted permission to play baseball on Southside Playground between the hours of 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. was read and on motion regularly moved and carried the permission granted, and Mr. Hickey was directed to make such arrangements as would be necessary for the proper care of the grounds during these hours.

A communication from the police department calling the attention of the Playground Commission to the dilapidated condition of the premises at 278 Harriett Street, was read and ordered filed. The Secretary directed to make arrangements with the Board of Supervisors for the sale of the building.

Dr. Leavy appeared before the Commission in the interest of Miss Popper.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Popper was transferred from Yerba Buena Playground to the substitute list, and Miss Ray Carol Kaplan appointed to take charge of the Yerba Buena Playground during the vacation period, said transfer to take effect June 5th.

In discussing the report of the Recreational Inquiry Committee, the Secretary was directed to call to the attention of the aforesaid Committee to several inaccuracies contained therein; On page 22 a statement appears giving the managing authorities of the San Francisco Playgrounds, as the Playground Commission and Recreation League, and funds obtained from Municipal and Private Funds, these two errors are to be called to the attention of the Committee.

The action of the Grounds Committee in awarding the contract for the construction and erection of an iron fence at Hamilton Playground, to the San Francisco Iron Works for the sum of Two Thousand Eight Hundred and fifty-five dollars , was approved.

The Superintendent was instructed to proceed with the erection of the handball courts at Hamilton playground.

Bills and currect expenses amounting to $ 570.72 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank A Carter

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 10th 1915.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order thisday at the hour of 3:00 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Playground Commission # 638 City Hall

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Geo. Gallagher Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and on motion regularly moved and carried the acts of the Minority Board are considered and are the acts of the majority.

A communication was received from Mr. F. L. LORBEER, enclosing a petitio to have Rhode Island Street between 23rd and 24th closed to traffic to provide a space for the children to play. Letter referred to the Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from Cress Gannon calling the attention of the Commission to the condition of the Playground property on Sacramento Street between Baker and Lyon Streets. Same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Gannon that a committee composed of Grounds C. Mr. De Groot, Mr. Hickey, were to visit the above mentioned site and report conditions to the Commission.

A communication was received from Herbert Stoltz, M. D. inviting the attendance of the members of the Playground Commission to the National Conference on Race Betterment, same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to accept with thanks, and to state that Mr. Marshal Hale, Miss Agnes G. Regan and Mr. De Groot, were appointed a committee to represent the Playground Commission at the above mentioned conference.

A request was received from Mrs. J. H. Purvis, 41 A Hill Street, that the Playground Commission take steps to have some of the quiet streets in the city used as playgrounds, particularly in the mission district. Mrs. Purvis suggests Hill Street between Valencia and Guererro. Referred to the Board of Supervisors and Mrs. Purvis notified of the action of the Commission.

A request was received from J. Freiman, 1958 Post St., who had been suspended from Hamilton Playground, that the period of suspension be closed and he be permitted to use the playground, promising to comply with the rules and regulations maintained thereon. Same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify said Freiman, the matter would have to be taken up by him with the Director of Hamilton Playground.

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A communication was received from Frederick Churchill, Secretary of the Board of Public Works stating that body had requested the Board of Supervisors, to set aside the sum of $ 299.00 for the sidewalk work in front of the Spring Valley Playground, Broadway near Polk St. .

A communication from the Secretary of the South of Civic Center Improvement Association complaining of an oversight on the part of the Playground Commission, in neglecting to send invitations to that organizations for festivities on the playgrounds, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Mc Mahon that the play festivals being of an informal nature invitations were not considered necessary.

A communication was received from Sylvester Mc Atee, Assistant Secretary to the Mayor inviting the participation of the Playground Commission in the parade which had been arranged for Civic Day at the Exposition, Saturday June 12th 1915. Same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Mc Atee that it was the intention of the Department to co-operate in the program on that occasion.

A communication was received from Mr. Eustace Peixotto, Chairman of the Executive Committee, National Congress on Playgrounds and Recreation, asking that the Playground Commission outline the program for San Francisco Day, on or before the 20th of June. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Peixotto, that a Committee composed of Mr. Hickey and Mr. De Groot had been appointed to outline the plans for that day.

In discussing the conference it was the sense of the Commission that Mr. De Groot, in conjunction with the members of the Play Committee and the Chairman of the Finance Committee should prepare a pamphlet setting forth the work which has been accomplished by the Playground Commission of San Francisco.

Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, and Mrs. M. S. Hayward were appointed to take care of the reception of visiting delegates at the Conference on San Francisco Day.

Mr. De Groot was granted authority to discuss with Dr. Burke lines on which this department might co-operate with the Normal School in fostering playground work.

On motion regularly moved and carried the salary of Miss Ellis was raised from $60.00 to $75.00 per month, commencing July 1st 1915.

The request of the Superintendent that Miss Haynes be granted a vacation, from June 19th, was on motion regularly moved and carried, granted.

Bills and current expenses for the month amounting to $ 785.28 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:10 p.m.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 24th 1915.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes C. Regan,
Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. George E. Gallagher,

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved,

Communications.

A communication was received from Mrs. L. Callero, regarding an accident to her child, and referred to a committee composed of Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Rossi for investigation.

A communication from Thomas F. Boyle, requesting the use of the Automobile belonging to the Playground Commission, on Friday July 23rd, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Boyle that his request would be granted.

A communication from Dr. Rosenerans City Physician certifying to the ability of Charles Fowler to return to work was ordered filed.

A communication from Charles Fowler, asking for a leave of absence for a period of three months, commencing June 23rd 1915, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Fowler that above mentioned leave was granted.

A communication from the Secretary of the Women Directors of the San Francisco Playgrounds, requesting that the privilege of attending such conferences at the Exposition, or such courses or parts of courses at the Summer School of the University, as might be of interest to the directors in their work, was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to state this request was denied, it being the sense of the Commission that the services of all Directors were needed on the grounds at this time.

A communication from M. J. Purcell Manager of the Pacific Gas and Appliance Co., offering to take care of the heater at Jackson Playground for the sum of $12.00 per year, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Superintendent for investigation.

A communication was received from the Peralta Heights Improvement Club calling the attention of the Playground Commission to the need of a Playground in the East Mission. On Motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to refer the communication to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

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Mr. C. P. Rixford appeared before the Commission with a letter signed by residents in the vicinity of Pierce, Geary and Post Streets, complaining against shutting off the right of way across Hamilton Playground at Pierce Street, and requesting that the Commission do all in its power to avoid this inconvenience.

The Secretary was directed to answer the communication stating that the principal demand of the letter had been anticipated by the Commission, and gates provided at both Post and Geary Streets at Pierce, and to further state that grave consideration would be given the letter in completing the development of Hamilton Playground.

The Superintendent reported that it would be advisible to have the fence at the California Women's Hospital Site on Sacramento Street repaired, and a sign erected notifying the public that ball playing was not permitted on the property.

A committee composed of George E. Gallagher, and Mr. Frank Lawler was appointed to search the title of said property and determine wherein the ownership was vested.

Mr. Gallagher was likewise requested to instruct the Janitor at the Bay View Schoolto see that the Pump and Motor at the above mentioned School were run in such manner that water would be provided for that Playground on Sundays, thus avoiding the necessity of closing on that day.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Grounds Committee and the President of the Commission were ordered to receive and open bids for the Bath House at Nineteenth and Angelica Streets, and to award the contract for same, and to notify the Auditor of such award.

It was the sense of the Commission that bids for the Field House at Hamilton Playground should be received at the first meeting of the Commission after July 4th 1915.

The question of connecting the Tank at Southside Playground with the water system of the Ethan Allen School, for the purpose of affording better fire protection, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Chief of the Fire Department, Mr. Meehan of the Board of Education and Mr. Hickey of the Playground Commission for investigation.

In discussing the Banquet or Luncheon to be given visiting delegates during the National Recreation Congress, under the auspices of the Playground Commission, it was the sense of the Commission that Mr. Hale, Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Rossi, be empowered to make such arrangements as they might see fit in the matter.

The Secretary was directed to forward a communication to the Board of Education, stating that in the event of the Glen Park Schoolyard being equipped as a playground, this Department would provide a Director thereon.

Miss Rossi, Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Hickey were appointed a committee to arrange for the judicious and economical expenditure of the funds appropriated to be used therefor by the Fourth of July Committee.

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The request of Miss Frances E. Ware, for a vacation after July 7th was referred to the Play Committee.

Bills and current expenses for the month amounting to were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank Lawler
Secretary.

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SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting for the purpose of receiving bids for the construction of the Bath House at Nineteenth and Angelica Streets, was called to order this day at the hour of 4:00, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Miss Regan,
Mrs Hayward,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Bids were received from the following firms:

Petterson and Perrson	$ 9861.00	Alternative	$40.00
Monson Brothers	8787.00	"	200.00
Carnahan and Mulford	9089.00	"	100.00
William Martin	9677.00	"	195.00
Turner Bros.	9592.00	"	150.00
Pac. Contracting Co.	9625.00	"	160.00

On motion regularly moved and carried Monson Brothers were declared the lowest bidders and the contract awarded to that firm for the sum of $ 8787.00. The Secretary was directed to notify the auditor of such award, and the President of the Commission and the Secretary were instructed to prepare the contract and have same properly signed by Monson Brothers.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, July 22nd 1915.

Meeting

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 4:00 p.m. Mr. Hale, who on motion regularly moved and carried was appointed temporary chairman, presiding.

Present:	Mr. Marshal Hale, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.
Absent:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Mrs. C. G. Ecks reporting a window broken in a hou e owned by her at 3436 Sacramento Street, ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to request the Director at Presidio Heights - playground to ascertain by whom the window was broken, and to have such party replace same if possible. The Secretary was further directed to notify Mrs. Ecks that damage would be repaired.

A communication was received from Ray Daugherty, asking that permission be granted to the Gaiety Club to give a dance in the auditorium of Jackson Playground on the evening of July 31st 1915. The Secretary directed to notify Mr. Daugherty that such permission was granted, and that he is to be personally responsible for the nature and character of the dance.

A communication from Mr. W. L. Morris, Agua Caliente Springs requesting a position as Director on the local playgrounds was ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. I. M. Sheehan, 1947 Larkin St., complaining as to the lack of toilet facilities on the Spring Valley Playground, was referred to Mr. Hickey for report, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Sheehan of such action.

A communication from Edith Stark, 963 Alabama Street requesting the Playground Commission to supervise play in Garfield Square, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify the interested party that Garfield square does not come under the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission, even in the event of it being under the control of this department the necessary funds for supervision are not available.

A communication was received from Mr. Lorin P. Rinford, requesting the Playground Commission to so arrange Hamilton Square that access might be had across the Park at Pierce Street to the Geary Street car line, at all hours of the day and night. Same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Rinford that the Commission would give all facilities for such access which did not interfere with the proper supervision of the playground.

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A petition from the residents in the vicinity of Yerba Buena Playground requesting the operation of that play space by the Commission and the retention of Miss Popper as director of same was received in this office, and ordered filed. The Secretary requested to reply to same stating that after July 26th the above mentioned playground would not be under the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission, this body merely supervising same during the school vacation, after which time the Board of Education would have control.

A communication received from Buckbee Thorne & Co., asking permission to place an advertising sign on the property of the Commission on Sacramento Street, was ordered filed and the request denied.

A communication from the Secretary of the Civil Service Building Inspectors asking that in the event of an inspector being employed for the work on the Bath House at Nineteenth and Angelica Street, one of their members be given the preference, was placed on file and the matter referred to the Grounds Committee .

A communication from Miss Bessie G. Stoddadt, Secretary of the State Recreational Inquiry Committee, regarding inaccuracies in the State report and explanations therefor, was ordered filed.

A communication from Miss Popper stating that petitions requesting her re-instatement as Director of Yerba Buena Playground had been circulated without her knowledge was ordered filed.

It was the sense of the Commission in discussing the construction of a Field House at Hamilton Playground, that final steps in the matter should be deferred until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

The Commission further agreed that swings at Excelsior playground should be removed, and placed on the ground in a position which would not interfere with ball playing, and the Superintendent to carry out such intention.

Mr. Gallagher reported for a special committee appointed to investigate the ownership of the former California Women's Hospital Site, viz:

That all payments had been transferred to the Board of Education for School purposes by resolution of the Board of Supervisors, Journal Number 1907 New Series, May 10th 1910, approved May 16th 1910, and leased to the Playground Commission by the Board of Education for a term of fifteen years at a nominal rental of $ 1.00 per year.

Mrs. Hopper made a partial report in the matter of an accident to Mary O'Leary's son, it was the sense of the Commission that Mr. Hale should make further investigation.

The Superintendent reported certain abuses in Holly Park Playground. On motion duly moved and carried the matter was referred to Miss Hogan for investigation.

On motion duly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to

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confer with the Board of Supervisors relative to having an ordinance passed regulating the speed of vehicles when passing playgrounds.

Bills and current expenses for the month amounting to [illegible] were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5;15 p.m.

Frank A Lewis

Secretary.

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San Francisco, August 5th 1915.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:15 p.m., President, Rev. DO. Crowley presiding.

Present: Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A request was received from Mrs. Sarah J. Mann, Principal of the Hawthorne School, for the installation of a sand box in the yard of the above mentioned school. This department having no jurisdiction in the matter the request was referred to the Board of Education. The Secretary directed to so notify Mrs. Mann.

Mr. John Barduhn, President of the North of Panhandle Improvement Club, left a memorandum for the Commission, asking that steps be taken to acquire that piece of property on Rhode Island Street between twenty-fifth and Army Streets for playground purposes, said propertybelongsat present to the Board of Education. It is the sense of the Commission that nothing could be done in the matter at this time, as funds for such development are not available, and the property is not under the jurisdiction of this Department.

A communication from Mr. Charles Meehan of the Board of Education stating that provision for the fire protection system at the Ethan Allen School had been made, was ordered filed.

A request was received from Miss Emma G. Howard, for the use of Cour Presidio Heights Playground on two days a week, for the Basketball team from the Madison School. On motion regularly moved and carried the request was denied, on the ground that Presidio Heights playground is too small to permit of activities on the part of the older boys.

A communication was received from Mrs. Charles Phillips, 205 Holly Park Circle, alleging the responcibility of the Playground Commission for an accident to her son, who fell from the slide at Holly Park Playground, and requesting the Commission to pay the enclosed bill of $ 10.00. On motion regularly moved and carried the payment of the bill was refused on the ground that the Commission is not responsible for accidents incurred by children using the apparatus on the playgrounds. The Secretary was directed to notify Mrs. Phillips of such action by the Commission.

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An application from Miss Rita Dowd for a position as Playground Director, and letter of recommendation accompanying same, were ordered filed.

A communication was received from Bolander and Hallawell submitting a figure of $ 171.00 for the erection of a flag pole at Hamilton Playground. Ordered filed.

In discussing the flag pole at Hamilton playground it was the sense of the Commission, that the Secretary communicate with the Fillmore Street Improvement Club, suggesting to them that they erect the Flag Pole at Hamilton Playground, in the event of their following this suggestion they should have the honor of dedicating same. The Secretary was further directed to communicate with the Divisadero Street Improvement Club suggesting that they purchase the flag to be used at Hamilton Playground.

In discussing the adjustment of the property line at Southside Playground and the Ethan Allen School, it was the sense of the Commission that Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Rossi and Mr. Hickey, should investigate and report their findings at the next meeting of the Playground Commission. The Secretary was directed to notify the Board of Education to remove the old school building from the playground property and clear same.

Conditions at Holly Park Playground werereferred to Miss Regan and Mrs. Hayward, for investigation and settlement.

The Superintendent was instructed to erect a Volley Ball Court at North Beach Playground, and to make investigations regarding suitable wind shields for the sand boxes on all the playgrounds.

Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Rossi were appointed to investigate the manner in which the Janitors on the playgrounds perform their duties, to make a report on such investigation at the next meeting of the Playground Commission.

The Secretary was directed to notify the Keepers on all playgrounds to read the meters every day, and send a record of such readings to the office of the Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to advertise for bids for the erection of a field house at Hamilton Playground.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 237.45 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:30 p.m.

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MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 10:00 A. M., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi
Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Absent: Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from the Board of Supervisors asking for a report on all excess phones in use in this Department. The communication was ordered filed, and a committee composed of Mr. Rossi and Fr. Crowley was directed to report to the Board of Supervisors that we could not spare any of the phones in use in this Department.

A communication from Louis Christian Mullgardt stating that he was preparing plans and specifications for the field house at Hamilton Playground, the cost of which work would amount approximately to $200. The same was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Mullgardt this his terms were satisfactory. A committee composed of Mr. Hale, Miss Regan, Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Rossi was authorized to supervise such plans before advertising for bids on same.

A communication from the Exposition Valley Improvement Club asking that the Yerba Buena playground be kept open at all vacation periods, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to answer same stating that we would provide a supervisor at Yerba Buena playground on Saturdays, school holidays and vacation periods.

A communication was received from the Board of Education stating that the Board of Education would remove the building formerly occupied by the Ethan Allen School, and notifying us that the Playground Commission had removed a fence from the Ethan Allen school site without permission of the Board of Education. The communication was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify the Board of Education that, to the best of our knowledge, no fence had been removed by us from the property under the jurisdiction of the aforesaid Board.

A communication from the Board of Education stating that our request for the installation of a sand box in the schoolyard of the Hawthorne School was referred to the Schools Committee of said Board. Ordered filed.

A communication from the West of Fillmore St. Improvement Assn. notifying this Commission that said association was ready and willing to erect flag pole on Hamilton Square was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to

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notify aforesaid association that this Commission accept to their thanks, and that a committee composed of Mr. Lawlor, Mr. Hickey and Mr. Rossi would wait on them and explain the desires of the Commission in the matter.

It was a sense of the Commission that it would be advisable to interview the different directors connected with the P.P.I.E. for the purpose of ascertaining if there was any material used in the different exhibits and buildings that might be available for use in this Department. Mr. Lawlor and Mr. Hickey were directed to compile a list of such directors and the Commission as a whole, with Mr. Hale acting as chairman, would interview the directors with this end in view.

A communication was received from Hulda Popper asking to be assigned to Presidio playground in the event of a vacancy occurring on such ground was ordered filed.

The erection of a screen on a handball court at Hamilton Playground was referred to the Grounds Committee to report to this Commission at the next regular meeting.

The Superintendent was instructed to prepare estimates for the cost of material to be used in resurfacing Hamilton Playground.

Mr. Rossi and Mr. Lawlor were instructed to have the automobile overhauled and repaired.

The Superintendent was directed to remove the accumulated debris from the Presidio, Spring Valley and Hamilton Playgrounds.

On motion made, seconded and carried, the Secretary was directed to draw up a report of all monies allowed by the Board of Supervisors for the use of this Department and to confer with Mr. Hickey and Mr. DeGroot regarding the best means of expending such money. The Secretary was further advised to send a copy of such report to each member of the Playground Commission.

Mrs. Hayward was directed to purchase bathing trunks and swimming suits for the bath house at North Beach.

Miss Regin and Miss Hagan were directed to purchase additional cabinets for the filing system.

Mr. Rossi reporting on the bonds at Southside Playground stated it was the sense of the committee that all their structures located on Bryant St. on the property of the Playground Commission should be removed. On motion made, seconded and carried, the report of Mr. Rossi was affirmatively acted upon, and the Secretary directed to confer with the City and County attorney regarding the manner of removing such buildings and bonds.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $2[illegible] were approved and ordered paid.

The Commission then retired into executive session, adjourning at the hour of 12:15 P. M.

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San Francisco, September 16th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on the above date at the hour of 2:00 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission, President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Marshall Hale, Mrs. M. T. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regin, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Regular notices for the special meeting called, were on motion regularly moved and carried waived, and the acts of the Commission on that date ratified.

Bids for the construction of the field house at Hamilton Playground, as per advertisement in the Daily Journal of Commerce, were received at 2 o'clock and opened as follows:

Carnahan & Milford	$ [illegible]
William Martin	3534.00
Val Fuerst & Son	3050.00
Frank Elwin	3490.00
John Grube	3470.00
A. E. Olson	45[illegible]9.00
Western Building & Engineering	4150.00
C. H. Leland	3[illegible]0.00
Monson Brothers	4380.00
W. A. Hemsome	7[illegible]0.00
[illegible] Melnerny	4944.00
David Grubm	3[illegible]0.00

Val Fuerst and Co., being the lowest bidder the contract was awarded to them subject to a satisfactory report as to their standing. Mr. Hickey and Mr. De Groot were delegated to ascertain such standing, and reported after investigation that the firm stood high in the building world, the contract was therefore on motion regularly moved and carried awarded to the above named firm for the sum of $ 3050.00, and the Secretary directed to prepare the contract and notify Val Fuerst accordingly.

A communication from the San Francisco Co-operative Bureau stating they would guarantee to remove the bonds from the property of the Playground Commission on Bryant Street near Seventh, place the premises of all debris and assume all responsibility pertaining thereto, was ordered filed.

A communication from F. W. Kuster, M.D. certifying to the illness of Miss Stella Harris was ordered filed.

A communication from Monson Brothers requesting the substitution of filler at the Marshall Hale Field was ordered filed.

A communication from Henry H. Wolff suggesting a method for the Flag Pole Committee from the Playground Commission was ordered filed and the

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Secretary directed to arrange such meeting.

The report of Mr. Lawler, Hickey and De Groot, on the finances of the Commission, and the proposed expenditures for the remainder of the fiscal year, was presented as follows:

Salaries	$ 58,566.00	
Deferred payments on cont.	9,304.00	
General Maintenance estimated at	16,530.00	
Expenditures to date	4,610.82	
Total	69,031.32	
Appropriation		$ 70,000.00
Balance from previous year		9,685.82
Total appropriation		79,685.82
Working balance of		69,031.32
		10,654.50

Which we propose should be expended as follows:

HAMILTON PLAYGROUND

Field House	$ 3,500.00	
Boys Apparatus	325.00	
Surface, play space	400.00	
Completion of handball court, wire backstop	100.00	
Furniture, field house	100.00	$ 4,425.00

EATHROP PLAYGROUND

Painting field house and accessories	$450.00	450.00

HOLLY PARK

Basketball court		
Tennis Court		
Swings		
Lockers in building	600.00	600.00

PAGE AND LAUSSEN

Point field house		
Paint fence	300.00	300.00

SOUTH END PLAYGROUND (New addition)

Tool house and building		
Grade		
Curbing		
Fence		1,500.00

GOLDEN GATE PLAYGROUND

Toilet facilities		
Curbing		
Asphalt		1,500.00

[illegible] PLAYGROUND

[illegible] and ball field		
Play ground	1,000.00	$ 10,025.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the Commission authorized the [illegible] at Hamilton and Jackson Playgrounds at once, subject to the approval of the Grounds Committee.

Authority in the case of Holly Park, Page and Laussen, South End, Golden Gate Valley, and Hamilton Playgrounds was withheld, at the request of the Committee, until [illegible] shall be in order.

Mr. Rhodes [illegible] be empowered to investigate the [illegible] Holly Park, and to confer Mr. Mc Laren regarding the apparatus

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thereon, and likewise to see if Mr. Mc Laren could secure trees and shrubs from the Panama Pacific International Exposition Company for the use of this department.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $ 1779.07 were approved and ordered paid.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Commission adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m., to go into executive session.

Report of Executive Session

The Secretary was directed to spread the following rules on the Minutes of the meeting:

The Playground Commission to meet alternate Wednesdays at the hour of 2:30 p.m. , and the Secretary to send notice to all Commissioners regarding the change of rule, which was adopted in courtesy to those members of the Commission who find it inconvenient to be present on Thursdays.

The Secretary was further directed to take charge of the schedule of Playground Directors, Substitute Directors and Emergency Substitutes.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank O'Neill

Secretary.

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MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m. President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present — Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent — Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. George Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Mr. Hale expressing regret at his inability to be present at the meeting of the Commission, it being necessary for him to be out of the city, was ordered filed.

A communication from the San Francisco Iron Works notifying the Commission of the completion of the fence at Hamilton Playground was ordered filed, and the matter of approval of the work referred to the Grounds Committee.

A communication from the New York School of Philanthropy, and the Librarian of the University of California requesting copies of the latest reports of the Playground Commission were received and placed on file. The reports having been forwarded.

In discussing the suggested painting at Jackson Playground, the Superintendent was on motion regularly moved and carried directed to procure figures on the work and present same at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

Mr. Day appeared before the Commission with reference to the installation of a Day Filter at the Marshall Baths. It was the sense of the Commission that Mr. Rossi, Father Crowley and Mrs. Hayward should make an investigation of filters, and they were named a committee to do so.

A communication from Mr. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors relative to the number of phones in use in this department was on motion regularly moved and carried, referred to Mr. Rossi.

Bills and current expenses amounting to w were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15.

Frank O'Brien

Secretary.

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San Francisco, October 13th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley Presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from Val Franz and Sons relative to the installation of certain conduits in the field house at Hamilton Playground, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to consult the Architect as to the advisability of such installation, and to further consult Mr. Mullgardt, to determine whether sufficient work had been completed on the field house to warrant the first payment being made, at this time.

A communication from Mr. Frank Turner, Chairman of the Citizens Committee for the"Preservation of Fine Arts Palace and Children on the Marina Day" requesting the co-operation of the Playground Commission, to the extent of permitting children from the playgrounds to participate in Folk Dances on the Marina, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Turner that the Commission had made arrangements for 100 children to take part in the program.

A communication was received from Mr. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, enclosing a letter from Mr. Roundy(3041 San Bruno Avenue) suggesting that the playground Commission acquire lands in the University Mound Distirct, Bay View Distirct or the Reis Tract, for Playground purpose same ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify the Board of Supervisors that this Commission would be willing to supervise such a playground provided the Board of Supervisors would purchase a site and furnish the funds necessary for the maintenance of same.

Mr Roundy also appeared before the Commission in the interest of his cause, and was directed to appear at the next meeting of the Commission, at which time the formal sanction of the Board would be given to the acquisition of a playground in the above mentioned district.

The resignation of Miss Ynid Rose Ostrom, as Director of Presidio Heights Playground to take effect at the end of October, was accepted as presented, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same, and to extend to the young lady the appreciation of the Commission for her faithful services while in the employ of this department.

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The application of Miss Rebecca Cerf for a position as Director of Play in this department was referred to the Play Committee.

The applications of Miss Margaret Foley and Miss Ray Carol Kaplan for the position of Director of Presidio Heights Playground, were referred to the Play Committee.

The report presented by Mr. Adelstein to the Grand Jury, on Playgrounds was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to forward a copy of same to Mr. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors with a request that the report be published in the Municipal Record.

The request of Mr. John C. Kortick in behalf of Mr. Phillips of the North Beach Promotion Association, that permission should be granted to the Director and Children of North Beach Playground for their cooperation in assisting at Harbor Day, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Superintendent.

A communication was received from Sheriff Eggers expressing willingness to excahnge one of his rooms in the new city hall with the playground Commission, ~~---~~ ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Eggers that his courtesy in agreeing to this exchange was greatly appreciated, the Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors having made other arrangements for the quarters of the Playground Commission, this exchange would not be necessary.

The report of Mr. De Groot, Mr. Lawler, and Mr. Hickey on repairs and improvements for the fiscal year ending June 30th 1916, follows:

Hamilton Playground

Field House	$ 3,500.00
Boys Apparatus	325.00
Surface for play area	400.00
Completion of Hand-ball court, wire etc.	160.00
Furniture	100.00
	$ 4,485.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the committee was authorized to proceed with the work above scheduled for Hamilton Playground.

The painting of the Field House and accessories at Jackson Playgroud the amount of $ 350.00 was asked, on motion regularly moved and carried permission was granted to proceed with the aforesaid work, with the understanding that the work should be given to the lowest responsible bidder.

The amount of $300.00 was asked to repair the Tennis,&Basket all Court and to erect a locker in the Tool House at Holly Park Playground, this amount, was on motion regularly moved and carried granted.

The amount of $ 500.00 was asked for the painting of the Field House and Fence at Excelsior Playground. On motion regularly moved and carried the sum of $ 500.00 was appropriated for that purpose and the Committee directed to procure figures on the work, to submit same to the Grounds Committee who have power to act.

The sum of $ 500.00 was appropriated for the purpose of clearing and grading the southerly portion of Southside Playground.

The Sum of $ 2000.00 was on motion regularly moved and carried appropriated for the purpose of improving the Spring Valley Playground. Mr. De Groot was directed to prepare plans for the improvement of aforesaid

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ground and to submit them to the Grounds Committee, who have the power to act.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Committee (Mr. De Groot, Mr. Lawler, and Mr. Hickey) was directed to submit plans to the Grounds Committ of the proposed changes in the North Beach Playground. The present slide was ordered razed, and a new slide to be considered in the plans for beautification.

In discussing the letter of A. C. Davies of the Pacific Purifying Water Company, relative to the filters at the Marshall Baths, Nineteenth and Angelica Streets, the Secretary was directed to state in his reply thereto that in as much as an advertisement had been inserted in a local paper for a series of five days from the 24th to the 29th of June, stating that plans and specifications would be furnished upon application in the office of the Playground Commission, that no changes were suggested during that period, therefore the plans and specifications would stand as originally drawn up.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $ 5306.39 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank C. Lawler

Secretary.

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San Francisco. October 27th 1915.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 638 City Hall, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present	Commissioners	Mrs. M.S. Hayward, Miss Agnes Regan Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo Rossi.
Absent		Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications.

A communication from the Divisadero Street Improvement Club asking the cooperation of the Playground Commission with the above named Association in their endeavor to procure a swimming tank for Hamilton Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that conditions were such, this Commission could not see the way clear at this time to install a tank at Hamilton.

A communication from Miss Anna Fern asking for a position as Playground Director with the San Francisco Playground Commission, ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. Louis C. Mullgardt regarding work being done by ValFrana and Son at Hamilton Playground, ordered filed.

A communicationfrom Miss Hulda Popper requesting that she be appointed Director at Presidio Heights Playground, vice Miss Ostrom, resigned, was referred to the Play Committee.

The request of the Secretary, that all Playgrounds should be closed on Tuesday November 2nd, San Francisco Day at the Exposition, was on motion regularly moved and carried, granted. Directors on all grounds to be notified accordingly.

The Committee composed of Mr. De Groot, Mr. Hickey and Mr Lawler, made a progressive report relative to the work on the grounds.

The general plan for the improvement of Spring Valley Playground was approved, and the Secretary directed to procure estimates for the work suggested therein.

On motion regularly moved and carried the contract for the painting at Excelsior Playground, was awarded to F. J. Doyle, for the sum of #$ 130. and the Secretary directed to draw up specifications for the contract which Mr. Doyle is to sign.

The Secretary was likewise directed to have Mr. Garfield sign a contract for the work which he is to do at Jackson Playground.

A committee composed of Mrs. Hayward, Miss Regan, Mr. Hale, Mr. Rossi, Father Crowley, Messrs De Groot, Hickey and Lawler, is to meet at North Beach Playground on Wednesday morning November 3rd 1915 at 9 o'clock for the purpose of discussing plans whereby North Beach Playground may be made of [illegible] greater service to the community.

The installation of [illegible] sewer at Southside referred to the Grounds Comm.

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Bills and current expenses for the month amounting to 4164.70 (Salaries $ 3076.34 Bills 1088.36) were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

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San Francisco, November 10th 1915.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:40 p.m., President D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Commissioners:	Rev. D.O.Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren.
Absent:	Commissioners:	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Mr. M. M. O Shaughnessy, relative to waterproofing the facing of the toilet walls at North Beach Playground to prevent leakage, same ordered filed, and Rev. D. O. Crowley, and Mr. John Mc Laren appointed a committee to confer with Mr. O'Shaughnessy, said Committee was given power to act.

A request from Dr. Musante of the North Beach Promotion Association that the children of the North Beach Playground participate in the program at the Exposition on North Beach Day, was on motion regularly moved and carried denied.

A communication from Mr. Louis Leavy asking that arrangements be made for a Playground Day, at the Exposition, was on motion regularly moved and carried, ordered filed and the request denied.

A communicationfrom D. A. White Esq., notifying the Commission that all playgrounds would be policed on San Francisco Day, Nov. 2nd, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to express the appreciation of the Commission to Chief White.

The request of Ray Daugherty, that permission be granted to the Columbia Park Boys Club, and a group of people who propose to from an Improvement Club, in the vicinity of Jackson Playground; for the use of the Auditorium at aforsaid Playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Daugherty that all such requests must be made to the Commission in writing Mr. Lawler and Mr. De Groot, were appointed a committee to investigate the request.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was the sense of the Commission that the Baths at North Beach Playground should be closed on November 15th, and that the employees thereon should stay on the grounds to straighten things out, until November 22nd at which date their employment by the Commission should cease.

The report of the special committee appointed to discuss the proposed changes at the North Beach Playground was on motion regularly moved and carried accepted and the Secretary directed to spread such report on the minutes of the Commission.

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REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

That the field house and slide at the North Beach Playground should be cut down, and the large field on the boys side cleared. That basketball and tennis courtsbe constructed, that a batting cage and playground ball field should be laid out, as per plans submitted by the Committee.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. L. C. Mullgardt, that a sum not to exceed one hundred dollars had been appropriated for the purchase of hardware and fittings for the Hamilton Playground Field House, and that he, Mr. Mullgardt has been designated to select same.

The report of the PLAY COMMITTEE was unanimously adopted as follows:

To fill vacancies and for the good of the service the Play Committee recommends the following appointments and transfers, to take effect Dec. 1st, 1915.

Transfers.

Mr. Schantz from Southside to Excelsior
Miss Kaplan from substitute list to Excelsior
Miss Evans from Excelsior to Jackson
Miss Murthin from Jackson to North Beach
Miss Leary from Bay View to Presidio
Mr. Penaluna from Excelsior to Southside
Miss Ellis from substitute list to Yerba Buena Schoolyard Playground.
Miss Freese from North Beach to Bay View Schoolyard Playground.

New Appointments.

Appoint one man for Substitute work; salary $ 100.00 per month.

That the work of relieving the regular directors one day a week be performed for the present by tw women and one man "Substitute Directors".

That when there is need for additional directors on special days or occasions the work is to be performed, by "Emergency Directors" at the rate of $ 2.00 per day.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 3480.84 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank [illegible]
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 24th 1915.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present,	Commissioners:	Rev. D.O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Marshal Hale.
Absent,	Commissioners:	Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Mr. Val Kiphen requesting the use of the Auditorium at Jackson Playground one evening, during the holidays,(the date to be arranged with the Director) was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Kiphen that his request was granted.

A communication from the North Beach Promotion Association asking the Playground Commission to give audience to a special committee from the Association on the subject of proposed changes at North Beach Playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. A. S. Musante this Commission would be pleased to meet the Committee at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission, December 8th 1915.

A communication from Mr. I. W. Parsons complaining of the proposed changes at North Beach Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to extend to Mr. Parsons an invitation to be present at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

The application of John Lane for the position of caretaker at Hamilton Playground, was ordered filed.

A communication from Mrs. Sarah J. Mann principal of the Hawthorne School requesting the installation of a mail box in the school yard, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Board of Education with an ernest request from this commission that mail box be installed if possible, and the Secretary directed to notify Mrs Mann of the action taken by the Playground Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to advertise for bids for the erection of the filed house at Spring Valley Playground, the Secretary was further directed to advertise for bids for the surface of Spring Valley Playground, as per plans and specifications on file in the office of the Commission.

It is the sense of the Commission that all contracts involving the sum of Five Hundred Dollars or over, should be advertised before said contract is entered into by the Playground Commission.

The Superintendent reported that the work of clearing the grounds at North Beach Playground was in progress and the tool house nearing completion.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date, amounting to $ 3606.44 (Salaries 2976.34, maintenance 630.10) were approved and ordered paid.

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On motion regularly moved and carried the Play Committee and the Superintendent were directed to procure furniture from the Panama Pacific International Exposition, to be used in the playgrounds, if such furniture should be available.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Franck O. Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 9th 1915.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present; Commissioners, Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan.

Absent; Commissioners, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A committee from the North Beach Promotion Association, of the following named gentlemen: Mr. J. C. Astredo, Chairman, V. De Martini, N. V. La Cava, appeared before the Commission to discuss the plans for the re-arrangement of the North Beach Playgrounds, the plans presented by Mr. De Groot were declared by the Committee to be extremely satisfactory, they were pleased with the detail of same and will so report to the North Beach Promotion Association. As to the playing of adults on the grounds this was admitted to be a matter of administration, when the question arises at a future date this committee would be pleased to take the matter up with the Commission.

The Committee further suggested that the Playground Commission take over Lolos Square, this park could be made to serve the purpose of the adults of the neighborhood as well as provide play facilities for the children of the district.

A delegation from Excelsior District appeared before the Commission, Mr. Edward I. Wolff acting as Spokesman, requesting the reinstatement of Miss Ewing and Mr. Penaluna on Excelsior Playground.

It was the sense of the Commission that, in so much as the transfers had been made after much thought and consideration had been given the matter, and as said transfers were believed by the Commission to be for the best interest of San Francisco and the Playground Department, the changes as made should so stand.

Bids were received for the Field House at Spring Valley Playground and opened as follows:

Anderson & Ringrose	$ 1470.00
Monson Brothers	1460.00
Val Fruna & Sons	1560.00

On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved that all bids should be rejected, and the Secretary directed to return all checks. It was the sense of the Commission that after a consultation with the Architect new bids should be called for.

Bids for the asphalt pavement at Spring Valley Playground were receive and opened as follows:

Fay Improvement Company	$ 1038.00
Flinn & Treacy	875.77
Raisch Improvement Co.	1139.50
City Street Improvement Co.	1144.00

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. De Groot and Mr. Lawler, were delegated to investigate the standing of the lowest bidders and report their findings to the Grounds Committee, and the Secretary directed

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to hold the checks of the two lowest bidders.

The resignation of Joseph R. Hickey, to take effect on December 31st was accepted. Succeeded by E. B. De Groot, salary $ 1000.00 per year.

Communication from Bakewell and Brown in reference to cutting a door in the New City Hall in the offices of the Playground Commission, was referred to a committee composed of Mr. Angelo J. Rossi and Rev. D. O. Crowley.

A communication from P. H. Jackson relative to the sidewalk lights at the North Beach Playground was ordered filed, and the question of lights referred to the Grounds Committee.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary and Mr. De Groot were authorized to purchase the slide for the North Beach Playground, and have same put in place as soon as possible.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to secure bids for the plumbing at the North Beach Playground, as per plans on file in the office.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $672.55 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:30 p.m.

Frank O'Hanlon
Secretary.

The application of Harry M. Teidemann for the position of Substitute Director was placed on file.

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San Francisco, January 11th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., Mr. Marshal Hale presiding, in the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Present: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes C. Regan,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley.

MINUTES

The minutes of theprevious meeting were approved as read.

According to Section 1. Rules of the Playground Commission the election of President was declared in order.

On motion regularly moved and carried D. O. Crowley, was nominted the nominations on motion regularly moved and carried being closed, Rev. D. O. Crowley was unanimously elected President for the ensueing year.

Mr. Mount appeared before the Commission regarding the sale of grass made to the department through Mr. Hickey in August 1915, it was the sense of the commission that no action should be taken in the matter until Mr. Rossi interviewed Mr. Hickey, upon the receipt of report from Mr. Rossi, the commission would communicate its findings to Mr. Mount.

Bids for the plumbing work at the North Beach Playground were opened as follows:

James Lombard	$ 596.00	
Wm. F. Wilson	675.00	
J. M. Lettich	631.00	
Neal Duune	413.00	less $ 18.00 salvage
J. Looney	790.00	

On motion regularly moved and carried the award of the contract to Neal Duune was referred to the Grounds Committee, with power to act.

James Lombard was authorized to proceed with the change of toilet facilities at Hamilton Playground (Field House) for the sum of $ 44.50

A communication was received from the West of Fillmore Improvement Association announcing to the Playground Commission that the flag pole at Hamilton Playground had been erected and was ready for dedication, and The association asks that February 22nd, be set aside for flag raising day, with appropriate ceremonies.

The Playground Commission on motion regularly moved and carried offered a vote of thanks to the Association for the flag pole and flag, the Secretary was directed to notify them accordingly and to further state that February 22nd, had been set aside as the day for the formal acceptance of the Pole and flag, Miss Regan and Mr. Rossi having been appointed by the Commission to make arrangements for appropriate ceremonies. It is the desire of the Commission that the officials of the West Fillmore Street Improvement Association make all necessary arrangements with the above mentioned committee.

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The communication from the Point Lobos Improvement Association regarding the improvement of that piece of property belonging to the Playground Commission and located on 18th Avenue between Lake and Clement Streets, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to explain to the Association the reasons why the Commission could not improve same at the present time.

The communication from Honorable H. A. Van Coenen Torchiana, Commissioner of the Netherlands, P. P. I. E. regarding the hedge surrounding the Netherlands Building at the Exposition was ordered filed.

The communication from the Board of Education regarding the sand box at the Hawthorne School was ordered filed.

A communication from J. Mc Carthy for the position of baseball coach with the playground department was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to state there were no vacancies at this time.

Communications.

A communication from the West of Fillmore Improvement Association complaining of baseball playing by adults on Hamilton Playground was referred to the Advisory Superintendent , and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating the action taken by the Commission.

The applications of Miss Emma Cruse and Miss Edna Hayward for positions with the Playground Commission as directors of Play, were ordered filed.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to proceed with the parking of the Eastern end of Hamilton Playground, as per plans on file in the office of the Commission. The Secretary was further directed to procure estimates from T. Tierney for the cost of erecting the Field House at the Spring Valley Playground.

The moving of the apparatus at Hamilton Playground was postponed.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mrs. Hayward was directed to purchase, curtains rugs etc., and such articles as in her judgment would be necessary to make the directors quarters at North Beach and Jackson Playground more comfortable.

Bills on current expenses to the amount of 1651.61. were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 26th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes C. Regan,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication requesting a list of all supplies (stationery) for the use of the Playground Commission during the coming fiscal year, was received and ordered filed. The Secretary directed to prepare the list as requested.

A communication from the Polk and Larkin Street District Association calling the attention of the Playground to the lack of play facilities on the Spring Valley Playground was ordered field, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that plans were on file in the office of the Commission showing development of Spring Valley Playground, and that work on the field house would commence as soon as the weather permitted.

The U. S. Bureau of Labor has set aside the week of March 4th to 11th inclusive to be observed nation wide as Baby Week, to initiate this event in San Francisco a luncheon has been arranged by the Civic Department of the California Club, and an invitation extended to the members of the Playground Commission to attend. The Secretary wrote to acknowledge receipt of same stating the Commission would be represented by the Lady members.

Communications were received from Miss Lil Baird, Miss Cummings, and Miss Nella Black of Denton Texas, requesting copies of reports from the Playground Commission. Same ordered filed the report having been forwarded.

The financial statement of the Secretary showing a balance of $ 36994.04 on hand January 1st 1916, was presented to the Commission. And on motion regularly moved and carried the following expenditures contained in the report of Mr. De Groot were authorized. This amount to be deducted from the balance remaining over and above overhead expenses.

Spring Valley Playground

It was the sense of the Commission that the field house at Spring Valley should be constructed at once, Mr. De Groot was directed to procure figures, work to commence at once provided the sum involved does not exceed One Thousand Dollars.

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North Beach Playground.

The sum of 1200.00 to be expended at the North Beach Playground to be apportioned as follows:

Re-arrangement of toilet facilities in the boys section, and replacing of sidewalk lights $ 600.00. Refing of house formerly covered by slide $ 300.00 In this respect Mr. De Groot was authorized to have Mr. Mullgardt prepare a plan to harmonize with the other architectural features of the playground. The erection of a fence on the dividing line between boys and girls section, cost approximately $ 150.00, Grading 150.00 making a total $1200.00

HAMILTON PLAYGROUND.

The sum of $ 500.00 was appropriated for the further development of Hamilton Playground.

The removal of the shack at Hamilton Playground was authorized, it being understood that same should remain intact until such time as the new field house should be occupied.

Mr. Rossi reporting on the sod at Jackson Playground stated that Mr. Hickey informs him no order either verbal or written had ever been given Mr. Mount for the purchase of the sod.

Mr. Rossi further reported that Mr.Adelstein of the Fillmore Street Improvement Association had called on him relative to the program ofFeb. 22nd at Hamilton Playground.

In discussing benches for the Playgrounds, it was the sense of the Commission that the Secretary be directed to write to the Board of Directors of the Panama Pacific International Exposition asking them to donate to the Commission two hundred benches, and on motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Rossi was authorized to negotiate with the wreckers of the Canadian Building for the purchase of one hundred benches.

Bills [illegible] amount[illegible] to [illegible] amounting to$2947.10 were approved and ordered paid(Salaries 2651.34 Maintenance 295.76).

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4.55.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 16th 1916.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to orderthis day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley Presiding.

Present.	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Absent:	Mr. Geo. Gallagher Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association announcing the program for the twenty-second of February, was ordered filed.

A communication from Frederick Boore announcing the completion of the bath house at Nineteenth and Angelica Streets was ordered filed. The building formerly accepted by the Commission and the final payment ordered made.

A communication from Mrs. Jesse Silva asking reinstatement at the Bath House at the North Beach Playground when same is reopened for the season. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Visitacion Valley and Reis Tract Improvement Association requesting the Playground Commission to incorporate the Visitacion Valley School yard in the plans for more playgrounds. Same was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to communicate with the Secretary of the organization (Frances Hockl, 310 Wilde Ave.,) stating that the Playground Commission would be pleased to have some members of the organization present at the time the budget for the coming fiscal year would be considered.

A communication from the Fillmore Street Improvement Association enclosing a complaint from John A. Gilmour, re the water at Hamilton Playground being soiled, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to investigate the conditions.

Mr. De Groot reported that the Parking at Lafayette and Weather end of Hamilton Playground was not in condition and would be finished in time for Washington's Birthday. Mr. De Groot further reported that the work on the boys toilets at North Beach Playground was progressing and suggested that the girls toilets should be placed in the girls section of the Bath House. On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Rossi, De Groot and Lawler were authorized to secure bids for the reinstatement of the toilets in the girls quarters of North Beach Playground, as per Mr. De Groots Suggestion.

Mr. Lawler and Mr. De Groot were authorized to proceed with the surfacing of the Spring Valley Playground.

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On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. De Groots plans for the arrangement of a platform at Hamilton Playground for February 22nd, were approved.

Mrs. Hayward and Miss Regan were appointed a committee to purchase all furnishings necessary for the department.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $4600.97 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 8th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., In the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley, Pres., Mr. Marshal Hale, was on motion regularly moved and carried, appointed temporary Chairman.

Present: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A committee from the Visitacion Valley Improvement Club appeared before the Commission in interest of the supervision of Visitacion Valley Schoolyard by the Playground Commission, said committee formally requested the Playground Commission to include this plan when submitting budget estimates to the Board of Supervisors for the coming fiscal year.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. De Groot was appointed to make a survey of the district and report on conditions at the next meeting of the Playground Commission.

A communication was received from the City Land Improvement Club asking that the land adjacent to the Sheridan School be taken over by the Playground Commission [illegible] a Playground. Ordered filed.

A committee from the North Beach Association also appeared before the Commission to urge the development of this ground. Mr. Hale speaking for the Commission stated this was a matter for the Board of Education to decide, and suggested that the committee take up the question with said Board.

A communication from the North Beach Promotion Association asking for a conference with the Commission regarding the appropriation for the further development of North Beach Playground, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to invite the North Beach Promotion Association and all other Improvement Clubs interested in any budget appropriation for playgrounds to meet with the Playground Commission, in the office of the Board of Education on Tuesday, March 14th at 2 o'clock.

A communication from the Lighting Committee of the Board of Supervisors asking that great care be taken in the use of lights in the city hall, was ordered filed.

A copy of the resolution from the Board of Supervisors, requesting that all budget estimates be filed on or before March 15th, was ordered filed.

A communication from the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association calling attention to the condition of sidewalks surrounding Hamilton Playground, and enclosing a petition from that Organization to the Board of Public Works asking that said sidewalks be placed in good condition, was ordered filed.

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The Secretary directed to write to the Board of Works asking that the amount necessary for such appropriation be made if possible, and the Secretary further directed to forward a copy of the letter to the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association.

In connection with the dedication of the Flag Pole at Hamilton Playground, the presentation of which was made by the West of Fillmore Street Improvement, the following resolution was on motion regularly moved and carried spread on the minutes of the meeting, and the Secretary directed to forward a copy of same to the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association.

" WHEREAS the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association has presented to the City and County of San Francisco, through the Playground Commission, a Flag pole and Flag for Hamilton Playground, and;

Whereas the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association in making the presentation on Washington's Birthday, 1916, prepared an elaborate program befitting the occasion, be it resolved

THAT WE the Members of the Playground Commission render a vote of thanks to the West of Fillmore Improvement Association for the great civic pride and district interest which inspired the gift and the ceremonies attendant wi h its presentation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That a copy of this resolution be forward to the President of the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association.

On motion regularly moved and carried a vote of thanks was extended to General Bell, USA. Captain Brown of the San Francisco Fire Department, Mr. J. Hynes, Chairman Music Committee of the Board of Supervisors, and to Mr. John Keogh, Director of the Municipal Band for the assistance rendered in making the program at Hamilton Playground on February 22nd such a great success.

A communication from Eugene J. Richards relative to the disciplining of a recalcitrant boy on Hamilton Playground, was referred to Mr. De Groot.

Mr. De Groot reported that the benches which he was authorized to purchase from the Canadian Building at the Panama Pacific Exposition had been delivered.

That the toilet room at the North Beach Playground was practically completed.

Mr. De Groot further suggested that Spring Festivals should be held on all Playgrounds during the month of May, this suggestion was on motion regularly moved and carried adopted, and Mr. De Groot authorized to proceed with necessary arrangements.

A petition was received from Boys residing in the vicinity of the site formerly occupied by the California Woman's Hospital, for permission to play baseball on said lot. On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Lawlor and Mr. De Groot were authorized to put the lot in condition for baseball games.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Lawlor and Mr. De Groot were authorized to make all arrangements necessary for the operation of the Animal Baths, and the Supplies Committee was directed to procure [illegible] for the handling of water necessary for the proper operation of the plant.

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A committee of children from Hamilton Playground appeared before the Commission with a petition for a swimming tank at Hamilton Playground Miss Henrietta Sosnicht, 1911 Ellis Street acting as spokesman.

It was the sense of the Commission that in as much as a large sum of money had been spent on Hamilton Playground, during the past fiscal year, that this Board could not ask for a special appropriation for the construction of a swimming tank at Hamilton during the coming fiscal year but if possible to do so the Commission would notify the Committee accordingly.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $ 1018.07, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank McLaughlin

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 13th 1916.

MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., for the purpose of meeting such person or persons who might be interested in extensions in the Playground Department. In the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Marshall Hale presided.

Present: Mr. Marshall Hale,
Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Miss Agnes C. Regan,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren,
Rev. D. O. Crowley. (Ill)

Mr. Joseph Moore and Mr. Benjamin Wentworth appeared before the Commission in the interest of the lot on 18th Avenue, between Lake and California Streets in the Richmond District, and asked that the sum of $ 6000.00 for initial development, be included in the budget for the fiscal year of 1916-17.

On motion regularly made and carried the Commission agreed to include a request for $ 6000.00 for playground development in the budget to be submitted to the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Oliver Fairfield of Mr. Peter Tommy, representing the Mission Promotion Association, appeared that the Playground Commission petition the Board of Supervisors to purchase a playground site in the Mission, and further recommend that the sum of $ 15,000.00 for the development of such a playground be inserted in the budget items for 1916-17.

On motion regularly made, seconded and carried it was the sense of the Commission that this request be granted, and that same be referred to be included in the budget.

The Commission adjourned to the next regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors.

Frank A. Fowler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, March 22nd 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Hale presided.

Present: Mr. Marshall Hale.
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. George H. Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley(on leave)
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,(on leave)

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Southern Promotion Association asking information regarding location, development, etc., of the proposed baseball park in the Southern District, was on motion regularly moved and carried ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same giving the information requested.

A communication from the P. P. A. L. enclosing a copy of the report presented by the special committee appointed to confer upon the Playground Commission to discuss the baseball situation at the North Beach Playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried ordered Filed.

A communication was received from the University Mound Improvement Association requesting the Playground Commission to petition the Board of Supervisors to set aside the sum of $ 15,000 for the purchase of playground Site in Sunset District, Secretary directed to notify the Secretary, that Commission would be pleased to equip playground in the University Mound District if said association could secure the necessary appropriation for purchase of Site, from the Board of Supervisors.

A Committee from the Ocean View Improvement Club appeared before the Commission with request that property adjoining the Fred Kennedy School should be purchased for playground purposes. Mr. De Groot was directed to investigate and report conditions at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

A Committee from the Glen Park Improvement Association appeared before the Commission in regard to the need of the park mentioned before the Commission by Chairman. Mr. Hale explained that the Commission was in the process of acquiring land for the Fiske playground, and as soon as the Glen Park property is free from encumbrances the Commission would be glad to take same under consideration. Secretary directed to notify the Secretary, that Commission would be pleased to equip playground in the University Mound District if said association could secure the necessary appropriation for purchase of Site, from the Board of Supervisors.

A Committee from the Glen Park Improvement Association appeared before the Commission in regard to the need of the park mentioned before the Commission by Chairman. Mr. Hale explained that the Commission was in the process of acquiring land for the Fiske playground, and as soon as the Glen Park property is free from encumbrances the Commission would be glad to take same under consideration. Secretary directed to notify the Secretary, that Commission would be pleased to equip playground in the University Mound District if said association could secure the necessary appropriation for purchase of Site, from the Board of Supervisors.

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Mr. De Groot presented the following report covering, hours, salaries, vacations, classification etc., of Directors which was unanimously adopted by the Commission:

FIRST CLASS DIRECTORS

Trained and experienced workers, assigned regularly to more important grounds.

Hours.

School days and Sundays, six hours per day. School vacation periods and special and regular holidays, eight hours per day.

Relief

One day in seven.

Pay.

Men first year----------	$ 90.00	per month.	
" second year----------	100.00	"	"
" third year, after successful----- examination.----------	110.00	"	"
Women, first year----------	85.00	"	"
" second year----------	95.00	"	"
" third year---------- (After successful examination)	105.00	"	"

Vacation. 15 days with pay assigned in summer
15 days with pay assigned in winter.

Loss of Pay.

Pay deducted for sickness or loss of time for any reason.

SECOND CLASS DIRECTORS

Full time workers, with some training and experience, assigned regularly to less important grounds, or to itinerant duty.

Hours, Relief, Vacation, Loss of Pay, the same as outlined for first class directors.

Pay: Men - Women first year $ 75.00 per month.
" " second year, after successful examination $85.00 per month.

THIRD CLASS DIRECTORS

Directors of Schools or Playgrounds during school vacation periods, or assistants to first and second class directors, who may be on Summer vacation, or relief to first class directors during summer months.

Hours: 8
6

Pay: Directors of Schools or Playgrounds - $ 75.00 per month.

CLUB WORKERS

Club Workers, [illegible] the necessity.

Hours.

Pay: $

[illegible] WORK.

[illegible] experience to [illegible] assignment of all playgrounds.

Hours: [illegible] per day.
[illegible] week.

Pay: First [illegible] $ 115.0 per month
[illegible] $ 1[illegible] per month

[illegible].

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The budget for the next fiscal year (1916-17) was on motion regularly moved and carried, as follows:

ADMINISTRATION

Secretary	$ 2100.00	
Asst. Secretary	1500.00	
Superintendent	1000.00	$4600.00

NORTH BEACH PLAYGROUND

1 Man Director	1200.00	
1 Woman Director	1200.00	
1 Man Caretaker	1200.00	
1 Man Janitor	900.00	4500.00

SOUTHERN PLAYGROUND

1 Man Director	1200.00	
1 Woman Director	1200.00	
1 Man Caretaker	1080.00	
1 Man Janitor	1080.00	4560.00

JACKSON PLAYGROUND

1 Man Director	1200.00	
1 Woman Director	1200.00	
1 Man Caretaker	1080.00	
1 Man Janitor	960.00	4440.00

RAPHAEL PLAYGROUND

1 Man Director	1200.00	
1 Woman Director	1200.00	
1 Man Caretaker	1080.00	
1 Man Janitor	1080.00	4560.00

EXCELSIOR PLAYGROUND

1 Man Director	1200.00	
1 Woman Director	1200.00	
1 Man Caretaker	1080.00	3480.00

HOLLY PARK PLAYGROUND

1 Man Director	1200.00	1200.00

PUNCHINO PLAYGROUND

1 Woman Director	900.00	900.00

STEVENSON ALLEY PLAYGROUND

1 Woman Director	900.00	900.00

PORTSMOUTH PLAYGROUND

1 Woman Director	900.00	900.00

NORTH POINT PIER HOUSE

1 Swimming Instructor	900.00	
1 Attendant	480.00	1380.00

MARSHALL PLAYGROUND.

1 Swimming Instructor	900.00	
1 Attendant	450.00	1350.00

SALARY OF SUBSTITUTES

3 Substitutes	2700.00	2700.00
6 Janitors of the various Playgrounds during vacation periods of regular Directors	900.00	900.00

INTINERANT DUTIES.

1 Supervisor of Boy's Work	1380.00		
1 General Gardener	1200.00		
1 General Carpenter	960.00	3540.00	$ 30040.00

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Brought Forward: $ 39940.00

SALARIES OF PLAYGROUND EMPLOYEES

20 Directors of Schoolyard Playgrounds $ 15.00 per month, 10 months service.	$3000.00	
20 Directors of Schoolyard Playgrounds $ 50.00 per month 2 months service	2000.00	5000.00

FIXED ITEMS

Water	$ 6000.00	
Play	4000.00	
Hardware, Medical and Janitor supplies	2300.00	
Light and Power	1500.00	
Teaming	700.00	
General Upkeep of Grounds	4000.00	
Maintenance of Auto	1000.00	
Carpenters, Painters, Laborers	4000.00	
Operation of North Beach Baths	1000.00	
Operation of Marshall Baths	700.00	
Administration(Contingent)	2000.00	27300.00

URGENT EQUIPMENT AND GROUND IMPROVEMENT

Excelsior	$300.00
Hamilton	5000.00
Holly Park	200.00
Jackson	300.00
North Beach	5000.00
Presidio	300.00
Southside	6000.00
Spring Valley	1600.00
Marshall Baths	1000.00
	20300.00

EXPENDED BY [illegible] APPROPRIATION.

Richmond District(18th Ave. Lot)	$6000.00	
California Memorial Site	6000.00	
Southside Playground	30000.00	
North Beach Playground	20000.00	
Playground Site in the Mission	?	
Equipment and Development of Above	25000.00	87000.00 $179440.00

Bill [illegible] of Oakdale Avenue to Evans Avenue to, 3361.33, were approved [illegible].

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank A. Leach
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 5th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m. Notices for a regular meeting having failed to record a quorum, it was resolved that those members present should sit as a minority, the actions taken by said minority board to be subject to the approval of the Commission at its next regular meeting.

Present: Mrs. Hayward, Miss Reman, Mr. Gallagher.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Mc Laren, A. J. Rossi, Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Miss Rebecca Cerf, giving qualifications which she believed fitted her for a position as playground director, and which Miss Cerf requested be added to her original application for a position. On motion regularly made the [illegible] letter ordered filed.

A communication from the Glen Park Improvement Association requesting that the garden of the Glen Park School be developed for play purposes, was on motion [illegible] referred to the Secretary with instructions to write to the Superintendent of Schools to secure the use of this ground if possible.

A communication from the Board of Health, stating that it would be necessary to [illegible] the [illegible] Mart Baths House, was on motion referred to the Secretary with instructions to write to Mr. Carroll Cheney of the Board of Works, to see if anything could be done in the matter.

A communication from the Secretary of the Southern Promotion Association, asking information relative to the plans of the Commission for the development of the playground system of Southside Playground. Same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to respond to same stating the information requested.

Mr. De Groot reported progress on the [illegible] Hamilton Playground, Spring Valley, and North Beach. Plans for the outdoor gymnasium at North Beach were considered and ordered to committee.

The plans submitted for the development of the Marshall Baths as reported on by Mr. De Groot were approved.

On motion regularly made and carried it was resolved that Charles Cain be dropped from the Pay Roll of the Commission.

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On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. J. A. Ebert wasappointed swimming instructor at the North Beach Bath House.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 378.38 were approved and ordered paid.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 26th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding. The Minutes of the previous meeting were on motion regularly moved and carried approved and the acts of the Minority Board considered the acts of theentire Board.

A communication was received from Miss Mary Kellogg, on the subject of Civic and Community Festivals, offering further information should the Commission be interested,letter filed and the Secretary directed to ask for more detail.

A communication from the Playground and Recreation Association of America announcing a Recreation Congress in Grand Rapids Michigan in October, and inviting the participation of the Playground Commission as a whole or the presence of a delegate, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same stating that this Commission would take the question up at a later date.

An application from Gustave Peterson, 1749 Clay Street, for the position of Swimming Instructor, accompanied by a letter of recommendation from Auditor Boyle, was received and ordered filed.

An application from Miss Ruth Talkington of Pendleton Oregon, for a position as Supervisor of Play, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the applicant that there was no vacancies in the Department at this time.

The Superintendent reported that preparations for the May Festivals were well under way. In connection the May Festivals it was the sense of the Commission that invitations should be issued by the Superintendent, The Mayor, the Recreation League, and the Public Schools Athletic League to attend these festivals.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was decided that all Playground Directors should take their vacation during the months of June and July.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent and Secretary were directed to secure figures for the Tents at Marshall Square.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Bryant was authorized to purchase seats, etc., for the Garden at Sunnyside Playground, which Miss Harriet Hall will use for the children.

The Superintendent was authorized to close Sharp Park to all playgrounds prohibiting adults from using the grounds.

In connection Hamilton Playground it was the sense of the Commission that the gates should remain locked until 12 o'clock.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 1990.81 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, May 10th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O. Crowley,
Mrs. M.S. Hey[illegible],
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

Absent: Mr. George Gall[illegible]er,
Mr. Marshal Hale
Mi[illegible] A[illegible]e C. Re[illegible].

MINUTES.

On motion regularly moved and carried the reading of the Minutes was postponed until the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

A communication from the City Land Improvement Club, asking the Playground Commission to make the improvements necessary to develop the property adjacent to the Seerida[illegible] School for playground purposes, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to Mr. De Groot, and the Secretary directed to notify the Secretary of the Club accordingly.

A communication was received from Dr. Ric[illegible]rdson, Chairman of the Boys Camp Committee of the Recreation League, relative the Camp which has been established for Boys at the Kentfield Station. Dr. Richardson asked that the Playground Commission consider the advisability of sending some of the Playground Directors out with groups of boys for week end trips. Communication ordered filed. On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved that the Playground Commission concrete steps and fences mentioned in the letter and the matter referred to Mr. De Groot for suitable improvements.

A communication from the Municipal Art League of the California Club asking the various kinds of flowering shrubs planted on the Huntington property recently leased to the City. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mrs. A.A. D'Arcy that the property mentioned is under the supervision of the Park Commission.

Bids for the grading work at the Sunset Valley Playground Site were received as follows:

Casseretto Bros., 1542 Fremont St.	$ 341.00
Nilsen & Arra	390.00

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Lesley and Mr. De Groot were directed to consult Mr. Whitnell Architect, to ascertain from him if the bid of Casseretto is satisfactory, if so to accept same and have him draw the contract.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. De Groot and Mr. Lesley were directed to inspect the material necessary for the fences at Sunset Valley Playground.

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A committee composed of Mr. Rossi, Mrs. Hayward was appointed to consult with Mr. Lawler and Mr. De Groot regarding the fence at Marshall Baths.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date were approved and ordered paid to the amount of $ 2037.48

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, May 24th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on this date at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren.
Absent	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting and the regular meeting of April 26th were read and approved.

The application of Mrs. Nellie Fitzpatrick, of 1200 Treat Avenue for a position in the Bath House at Nineteenth and Angelica Streets, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to a Committee composed of Mrs. Hayward and Mr. De Groot, with power to make the appointment,

In response to a request from the City Land and Improvement Co., as to the approximate cost of developing the ladn adjacent to the Sheridan School as a playground, Mr. De Groot reported that such cost would be approximately $2300.00, Mr. De Groot further reported that at thepresent time the land was being used as a Schoolyard Garden, and the work accomplished worthy of great commendation, in view of this fact he would not recommend a change of program at this time.

On motion regularly moved and carried the contract for the construction of the partition fence at the Spring Valley Playground, was awarded to the Pacific Fence Construction Company for the sum of$287.00.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Casarette Construction Co. 2503 Franklin Street was awarded the contract for the construction of the concrete foundations for a one story field house, the installation of sewer and the rough plumbing at the Spring Valley Playground, for the sum of $ 346.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to notify the Pacific Fence Construction Company to proceed with the installation of the Fence at the Marshall Baths, as per plans and specifications on file in the office of the Playground Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried the sum of $ 300.00 was appropriated for the erection of a Pergola at the Marshall Baths.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to proceed with the purchase of signs forbidding adults to frequent the playgrounds, except at such times as the Commission would permit them to enter into activities on the grounds.

The Secretary was directed to communicate with the Chief of Police asking his cooperation in excluding adults from all playgrounds.

In discussing the transfer of Lo os Square to the Playground Commission it was the sense of the Commission that a committee composed of

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Father Crowley and Mr. Rossi should wait upon Mr. Metson of the Park Commission regarding the transfer.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. De Groot was authorized to proceed with the purchase of apparatus for the North Beach Playground. Such expenditure not to exceed the sum of $ 500.00

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $165.11, salaries amounting to 2801.34 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:51 p.m.

Frank A Lamb

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 7, 1916.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 P. M. Notice for regular meeting having failed to record a quorum, it was resolved that those members present should sit as a minority board, the actions taken by said minority board to be subject to the approval of the Commission at its next regular meeting.

Present: John McLaren
Mrs. M. S. Hayward
Agnes C. Regan

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi
Mr. George E. Gallagher
Mr. Marshal Hale

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Miss Louise E. Keyes, 1350 McAllister St., asking for information as to the possibilities of securing work with the Playground Commission. Ordered filed and the Secretary was directed to inform Miss Keyes that there was no vacancy in the Department at the present time.

A communication from Robert E. Johnson, 24 Bryant Terrace, enclosing an application for a position as a swimming instructor was ordered filed.

A request for a leave of absence by MissRay Carol Caplan for one year commencing July 5, 1916, was ordered filed, and the Secretary was directed to inform Miss Caplan that it would be impossible to grant this leave with the understanding that her position would be open, but that her name would be kept on the waiting list.

A communication from the City Land Improvement Club relative to the proposed playground adjacent to the Sheridan School was ordered filed.

On motion regularly moved and carried, it was recommended that Harry N. Tiedemann be employed in the Department as a Playground Director.

On motion regularly moved and carried, it was resolved that Marshall Baths should be dedicated and opened either Saturday, June 9th, or Sunday, June 10th, such opening to be with the approval of Rev. D. O. Crowley.

The bills and current expenses for the month to date, amounting to $ were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 P. M.

Frank A Lamb

Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 16th 1916.

MEETING.

At the request of the President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, a special meeting of the Playground Commission, for the purpose of arranging for the opening of the Mission Baths at Nineteenth and Angelica Streets on Sunday June 18th 1916, was called to order at the hour of 2:30 p.m.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. George E. Gallagher.
Absent:	Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mrs. M. S. Hayward.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was authorized to open the Swimming Tank and Baths, at Nineteenth and Angelica Streets, on Sunday June 18th 1916 at 2 p.m. Same to be known as the Mission Playground and Baths. The Secretary was further directed to arrange a program befitting the occasion.

On motion regularly moved and carried Robert E. Johnson was appointed swimming instructor in the department subject to reference of his sponsors.

A communication from Mr. Joseph O'Neal offering the Swift Property to the Playground Commission for an annual rental of $ 120.00 , payable in monthly installments of ten dollars per month in advance, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to answer same stating that said offer is agreeable to the Playground Commission , lease to become effective July 1st, 1916.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 27th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:00 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Playground Commission # 215 City Hall.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

On motion regularly moved and carried the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

A communication from Mrs. A. S. Kinner, 1606 Lombard Street, asking for a position with the Playground Commission, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating, there were no vacancies in the department at this time.

A communication from Miss Claire Evans, Director of Jackson Playground requesting a leave of absence for a period of two weeks to attend the training camp at the Presidio was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating it was impossible to grant this request at this time.

A Committee composed of Mr. Walker and Mr. Pendergast appeared before the Commission relative to the taking over and operating of Ewing Field by this Board, it was the sense of the Meeting that in as much as the Playground Commission was not aware of the details of the transfer of Ewing Field, definite arrangements could not be made at this time. On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Lawler, and Mr. Rossi were authorized to investigate the conditions of the transfer and report same at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to transfer Timothy Driscoll from Southside to Jackson Playground, and Charles Fowler from Jackson to Southside, said transfers to become effective July 1st

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $ 6325.35were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the Meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

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San Francisco, July 12th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Playground Commission # 215 City Hall, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M.S. Hayward
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher
Mr. John Mc Laren.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Honorable Percy V. Long regarding the exclusion of adults from Hamilton Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the enclosed space at Hamilton Playground was reserved for the exclusive use of children, however that at either end of the Playground ample space had been reserved for adults, and benches provided for their accomodation as per plans of the Park Commission submitted at the time of the transfer of Hamilton Square to the Playground Commission.

Communications from Timothy Reardon and George A. Tracy testifying to the character and ability of Robert Johnson, an employee of this department were ordered filed.

Plans for the proposed work at Mission, North Beach, Spring Valley and 18th Avenue Playgrounds, were approved, pending the meeting of the Finance Committee on Tuesday July 20nd 1916.

Plans for Lobos Square were referred to Mr. De Groot and Mr. Mc Laren with instructions to inspect same and report their findings back to this Commission at the next regular meeting.

On motion regularly moved and carried the salary of Director Tiedeman was fixed at 1080.00 per year.

The application of George A. Meibling for a position with the Playgrou Commission was ordered filed.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Lawler, Mr. De Groot and Mrs. M. S. Hayward were appointed a committee to investigate the different automobiles which in their judgment would be most advisable for the use of this department, and to report their findings at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

Bills and current expenses for the month amounting to $ 1348 were approved and ordered paid.((1264.18 1915-16 83.90 1916-17)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:35 p.m.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, July 18th 1916.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING.

A Special meeting of the Finance Committee of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., for the purpose of distributing the funds appropriated by the Board of Supervisors for the fiscal year of 1916-17. Mr. Marshal Hale, Chairman of the Committee presiding.

Present: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. Hayward.

Absent: Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,

On motion regularly moved and carried the sum of $ 35,001 was appropriated for salaries in the department, the sum of $ 30,000 for general maintenance and upkeep.

On motion regularly moved and carried the sum of $ 20,742. was appropriated for development and improvements as follows:

Richmond Playground as per plans and estimates			$ 5112.00
North Beach Playground " " "			4960.00
Spring Valley Playground " "			1530.00
Mission Baths and Playground " "			1300.00
Hamilton Playground.			
Asphalt Court for Boys	840.00		
Fencing of court for boys	1200.00		
Additional Apparatus	400.00		
Tan Bark	30.00		
Painting Handball Court	100.00	2570.00	
Presidio Playground			
Iron fence on street frontage	400.00		
Surface entire playground	750.00		
Renew wire fence side and rear	80.00	1230.00	
Southside Playground			
Asphalt Court for boys	840.00		
Grading and surfacing new baseball area	1200.00		
Fencing Court for boys	1200.00		
Resurfacing handball court	200.00		
Painting Grand stand	200.00		
Additional Apparatus	400.00	4040.00	$20 742.00

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5;15.

L. Frankhauser

Secretary.

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San Francisco, August 2nd 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Commissioners, D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Marshal Hale,

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last regular meeting of the Commission and the Minutes of the Meeting of the Finance Committee of the Commission were on motion regularly moved and carried adopted, as read.

A communication from Mrs. R. Marino, 15 Phoenix Terrace regarding a bill for medical attention to her son, necessitated by a fall on the North Beach Playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to return the bill stating that the Playground Commission does not assume responsibility for accidents which occur on the Playground.

Owing to acts of vandalism having occurred on Spring Valley and Excelsior Playground, after closing hours, it is the sense of the Commission that an officer from the Police Department should be detailed to the playgrounds/ Mr. Rossi and Father Crowley were appointed to confer with Chief White in the matter.

Mrs. Hayward reporting for the automobile committee reported in favor of the Buick car, the Secretary was on motion regularly moved and carried authorized to purchase said car for the use of the Playground Department.

Mr. Angelo J. Rossi and Mr. E. B. De Groot were appointed a committee to look into the transfer of Lobos Square to this department.

The following transfers and assignments as proposed by Mr. De Groot were adopted by the Commission:

Present Assignment	Playground	Later Assignment.
Mr. Penaluna Miss Haynes	Southside Southside	Mr. Penaluna Miss Haynes.
Mr. Daugherty Miss Evans	Jackson Jackson	Mr. Tiedemann Miss Evans
Mr. Richards Miss Ware	Hamilton Hamilton	Mr. Richards Miss Ware.
Mr. Schantz Miss Kaplan(Resigned)	Excelsior Excelsior	Mr. Schantz Miss Harris
Mr. Lundie Miss Murphin	North Beach North Beach	Mr. Skelley Miss Lewry.
	Spring Valley	Mr. Mooney follow by Miss Ellis
	Mission Playground	Miss Foley
Miss Ellis	Yerba Buena	S.P.$ 15.00 per m
Miss Freese	Bay View	S.P.$ 15.00 "
Mr. Skelley	Holly Park	Mr. Lundie
	Richmond	Miss Freese

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Miss Leavy — Presidio — Miss Murthin

SUBSTITUTES

Miss Harris — Miss Popper
Miss Foley — Miss Jones
Miss Popper — Miss Welch
Mr. Mooney

SUPERVISORS.

Girls Work — Miss M.P. Hagen
Boys Work — Mr. Ray Daugherty.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date were ordered paid as follows:

Invoices $ 1945.37 Salaries July $ 2886.34 Bills for June $ 734.00.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55.

Frank A Lewis

Secretary.

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San Francisco, AUGUST 16th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order to-day at the hour of 2.45 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Commissioners: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Reagan, Mr. John Mc Laren.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting, owing to the length of program were not read.

Bids for the construction of the field house at the Spring Valley Playground were opened as follows:

Anderson and Ringrose	$ 1640.00
James Heckenroth	1260.00
Bos and O'Brien	1069.00

On motion regularly moved and carried Bos and O'Brien were declared the lowest bidders. The Secretary and Superintendent were instructed to determine the standing of the aforesaid firm, in the event of a satisfactory report having been received the Secretary was directed to prepare contracts and enter into same with Bos & O'Brien, as above mentioned.

Bids for the surface of tennis, handball and basketball courts at the North Beach Playground were received and opened as follows:

Fay Improvement Co. $.067 per square foot.
City Street Improvement Co. $ 0675 per square foot.

On motion regularly moved and carried the contract was awarded to the Fay Improvement Co.

A communication from Mr. T. A. Kelly requesting the use of Southside Baseball field one day a week by the Postal Clerks was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Kelly that between the hours of 1 and 2:45 the clerks might have the use of the above mentioned ball field, and to further state that the director at Southside Playground had been notified accordingly.

A communication from Congressman Kent, urging the Playground Commission to send a representative to the Congressional meeting for Grand Rapids in the early part of October, was on motion regularly moved and carried ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Kent that consideration would be given the request at a later date.

A communication from Flynn and Treacy offering the sale of a certain piece of property located at Lane Street and Yosemite Avenue for a playground, was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Board of Supervisors

In discussing the advisability of the Playground Commission assuming jurisdiction of Ewing Field, it was the sense of the Commission that a special meeting should be called for Wednesday, August 23rd 1916, at 10 a.m. at which time both Ewing Field and Lobos Square should be discussed. The Secretary was directed to send out notices accordingly.

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A committee from Park Terrace Improvement Club appeared before the Commission to request the installation of sand boxes and a slide in Golden Gate Park in the vicinity of Lincoln Way and 25th Avenue. The Committee was instructed that the Playground Commission had no jurisdiction over Golden Gate Park and were advised to consult with Mr. John Mc Laren.

In discussing the transfers made at the Meeting of August 2nd 1916, it was the sense of the Commission that Mr. Lundie should be dismissed for insubordination because of the attitude assumed regarding his change.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank A Lundie

Secretary.

Playground Commission

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 20th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Miss Regan,
Mr. Gallagher,
Mrs. Hayward,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Absent: Mr. Hale,
Mr. Rossi,
Mr. Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from S? M. Markowitz relative to supplying liquid soap to the playgrounds, same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to state that the Playground Commission did not intend to install liquid soap on the grounds at this time.

An invitation from the San Francisco Congress of Mothers to the members of the Playground Commission , for the lecture of Mr. Dunne at the St. Francis Hotel on Friday August 31st, 1916, at 8 o'clock was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that Mr. Gallagher, Miss Regan and Mrs. Hayward would represent the Commission .

A communication was received from the Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance Co. stating that they carried indemnity insurance for the firm of Bos and O'Brien same ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. J. C. Berry requesting the Playground Commission to send a team east to play on the representative Western Playground Ball Team, during the congress at Grand Rapids . Communication Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to answer same stating that owing to unsettled conditions for transportation , this Commission could not give a satisfactory answer at this time.

In discussing the surfacing at North Beach Playground the Commission agreed to replace same by most satisfactory surface, and the Secretary was directed to notify the Fay Improvement Company to proceed with the surfacing at the figure named for the baseball and basketball courts on the same playground.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to were were approved and ordered paid.(Salaries $ 2903.84 Bills 925.73)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p.m.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, August 24th 1916.

SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting for the purpose of discussing development in the department was called to order this day at the hour of 10:30 a.m, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present. Rev. D.O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Geo. B. Gallagher.

Absent Miss Agnes C. Regan,
Mr. Marshal Hale.

In discussing Ewing Field, the following resolution was on motion regularly moved and carried adopted.

" WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors has appropriated $ 1000.00 in the Playground Commission apportionment of the Municipal budget for 1916-17 for the rental of Ewing Field; and,

WHEREAS various athletic leagues and associations of boys and young men have repeatedly petitioned the Playground Commission for athletic facilities of a type not now a part of the City's recreational equipment; and,

WHEREAS the Playground Commission needs an athletic field of the character of Ewing Field to help round out its playground services to the to the community; be it resolved

RESOLVED that the Playground Commission favors an arrangement whereby Ewing Field will become a part of the city's play round facilities under the jurisdiction and management of the Playground Commission as follows:

1. That the Board of Supervisors secure a lease on Ewing Field for a period of ten years, the terms of which lease will place the property and all its improvements under full control and management of the Playground Commission. The Playground Commission also suggests that the terms of the lease might provide for the ultimate purchase of Ewing Field.

2. That the Board of Supervisors appropriate $ 2500 for the building of a standard running track in Ewing Field; the work of building the track to be done under the direction of the Playground Commission.

3. That the Board of Supervisors make an appropriation of funds for the employment of one laborer and one horse and wagon to be assigned to duties at Ewing Field; these duties to be under the authority and direction of the Playground Commission.

4. That the Board of Supervisors provide in the appropriation of funds to the Playground Commission sufficient money to pay for water and General upkeep of Ewing Field.

5. That the Board of Supervisors authorize the Playground Commission to hire out Ewing Field for similar games or events from time to time for a stated price or on a percentage basis; the revenue so acquired to be turned over to the proper municipal authority.

The Secretary was directed to forward a copy of the above resolution to Mr. John D. Mahoney and to the Board of Supervisors.

In discussing the transfer of Lobos Square to the Playground Department it was the wish of the Commission that the details of the transfer be left entirely in the hands of Mr. John D. Mc Laren, and on motion regularly moved and carried same was so ordered.

A Committee composed of Mrs. Hayward, Mr. De Groot and Mr. Lawler was appointed to discuss the possibility of securing salt water for the Mission Baths.

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A committee composed of Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Mc Laren, and Mr. Rossi, was appointed to investigate and report on a suitable site for the purchase of a playground in the lower Mission District.

The plan of Mr. De Groot for the promotion of activities in the department was adopted as follows:

SCHEDULE OF DIRECTED ACTIVITIES.

GIRLS DIVISION	Day	BOYS DIVISION.
Suspend Directed Activities	Sundy	
Directors Choice	Monday	Suspend Directed Act.
Team Games	Tuesday	Apparatus Play
Folk Dancing	Wednesday	Directors Choice
Miscellaneous Games	Thursday	Team Games
Singing Games	"	Track and Field Sports
Apparatus Play	Friday.	
Director's Choice	Saturday	Miscellaneous Games
		Directors Choice.

For details of plan see copy of complete outline on file.

On motion regularly moved and carried the students of the San Francisco High Schools were granted the privilege of the swimming tank at Nineteenth and Angelica Streets on Friday afternoons.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 11:30 a.m.

Frank L. Lowrie

Secretary.

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San Francisco, September 13th 1916.

MEETING.

Notices having been sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission failed to record a quorum, therefore those present on motion regularly moved and carried resolved to sit as a Minority Board, all action taken to be subject to the approval of the entire Board at the next regular meeting.

Present: Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A committee composed of Mr. Richard Welch and Peter Tamony representing the Mission Promotion Association appeared before the Commission for the purpose of discussing the Five Thousand Dollar appropriation for the development of Mission Park, and to further discuss the purchase of a play ground site in the Southeasterly Mission District.

It was the sense of the meeting that the Mission Promotion Association should request the Park Commission to give their consent for the development of a portion of Mission Park as a Playground, the written consent of the Park Commission having been received this Board would then consider the placing of apparatus in Mission Park. The Committee was also assured that initial steps had been taken by the Play ground Commission for the purchase of a play ground site in the Southeasterly Mission District.

An invitation was received from the Secretary of the Public Library requesting the presence of the members of the Playground Commission at the dedication of the New Valley Branch Library, on Sunday September 17th at 2 p.m. Chas. Caldwell filed with the Secretary, to answer same stating that the Commission would be represented on that occasion.

A protest against the placing of Cunningham Plane, signed by residents in the neighborhood was presented by George Petrusich and Ernest Pauly. Action on said protest was deferred until the next meeting of the Playground Commission, that the matter would be taken up in detail. Mr. Petrusich and Mr. Pauly were invited to be present.

The Secretary was directed to procure bids for the placing of toilet facilities at the North Beach and Mission Playgrounds.

The altered plans for the improvement of the Richmond Playground were approved.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date were approved as follows: $777.75.

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There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank A Lamb

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 20th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Mrs. Hayward,
Miss Regan,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Absent: Mr. Hale,
Mr. Mc Laren,
Mr. Rossi,
Mr. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A committee living in the vicinity of Mission Playground appeared before the Commission requesting that a passage way be left from Valencia to Angelica Streets, for the convenience of children attending school.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was agreed that such a passage way should be maintained between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Contracts were awarded to the Fay Improvement Company for the asphalt surface at Richmond Playground, (approximately 23,350 sq. feet at 8¢ per sq. foot,) for plastered concrete curbing(570 lineal feet at 40¢ per foot) and ten concrete steps, 10' feet long at $ 50.00. (lower portion facing 18th Avenue) (upper portion facing 19th ave.). Also for the concrete curbing around the section in which swings have been placed on the North Beach Playground at 40¢ per lineal foot.

The Secretary was directed to purchase copies of Bancrofts " Plays and Games for all playgrounds under the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission.

The Superintendent was directed to purchase apparatus for Spring Valley, Richmond and Mission Playgrounds.

The Superintendent was directed to have the City Engineer report on the stability of the bulk-head at the Richmond Playground.

The Secretary was directed to forward a copy of the following amendment to the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Supervisors with a request that same be presented to the voters on November 2nd 1916.

Amending Section 2. Article XIV a . Changing time when terms of Playground Commissioners expire.

That Section 2, Article XIV A be amended to read as follows:

Section 2. The Commissioners shall be seven in number, five of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor for a term of four years. Three of the members appointed by the Mayor shall be men and two of them shall be women. They shall so classify themselves by lot that one shall go out of office at the end of one year, one at the end of two years, one at the end of three years and two at the end of four years. The President of the Board of Educa -

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tion shall be ex-officio the sixth member of the Commission, and either the President of the Park Commissioners or the Superintendent of Golden Gate Park, as the Commissioners in writing shall so appoint, shall be ex-officio the seventh member. The Park Commission may at any time, by resolution served upon the Playground Commissioners, change their ex-officio member of said Commission, provided said ex-officio member be always either their President or said Superintendent. None of said Commissioners shall receive any compensation for his or her services.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to 422.26 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank A. Lewis

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 4th 1916.

MEETING.

Notices having been sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission on October 4th 1916, failed to record a quorum.

Bills amounting to$3261.31 for the month to date were signed and ordered paid.

Frank A. Lewis

Secretary.

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San Francisco, October 16th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, Mr. George E. Gallagher presiding in the absence of the President.

Present: Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Regan,
Mr. Gallagher
Mr. Mc Laren,
Mr. Rossi.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A request from Mr. Cashin, Superintendent of the Municipal Railway to have the gates at Hamilton Playground remain open after dark, was on motion regularly moved and carried, denied.

A communication was received from Mr. Howard Hendricks, Secretary of the San Francisco Athletic League, asking that a swimming tank be erected for High School Boys. Same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to advise Mr. Hendricks to ask the Supervisors for funds sufficient to build such a tank.

A communication was received from Mr. Walter Allen asking employment with the Playground Commission, same accompanied by a letter of recommendation from Judge Troutt. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to state that application could not be considered at this time, there being no vacancies in the department.

A communication was received from Miss Mary Shepston asking information regarding the playground department, and a copy of the last report published. Same ordered filed the report having been forwarded by the Secretary.

An application was received from Miss Elizabeth Lynch for a position as Playground Director, same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to state there are no vacancies in the department.

REPORTS.

Mr De Groot reported having received the following figures on the alterationd and additions at the North Beach Playground:

Monson Brothers, $ 989.00
Bos and O'Brien 1056.00
Mc Sheehy Brothers 1242.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the bid was awarded to Monson Brothers. In discussing some minor changes in the tiling it was the sense of the Commission that Mr. De Groot investigate and make such changes as he in his judgment would deem necessary.

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The following are the figures received for the proposed alterations and additions at the Mission Playground:

Monson Brothers	$ 537.00
Bos and O'Brien	638.00
Mc Sheehy Brothers	892.00

On motion regularly moved and carried Monson Brothers were declared the lowest bidders and the contract awarded to them accordingly. Mr. De Groot was given power to follow the same proceedings regarding the tiling changes, that he would follow in regard to North Beach.

It was the sense of the Playground Commission that the field house at the Spring Valley Playground should be duplicated on the Richmond ground and the contract was on motion regularly moved and carried awarded to Bos and O'Brien for the sum of $ 1079.00 said sum to include all concrete foundations.

Mr. De Groot suggested that, in as much as the figure received for the iron pipe frame for the tennis and basketball fence at Hamilton Playground, was exceedingly high, said fence be constructed of wood and built by our own carpenters, on motion regularly moved and carried the construction was so ordered.

Mr. De Groot recommended that the Board of Education be petitioned to designate the following yards as schoolyard playgrounds:

Visitacion Valley,
Sheridan,
Francis Scott Key,
Irving M. Scott,
Bay View,
Grattan,
Edison,
Bryant,
Mc Kinley,
Yerba Buena
Portola,
Longfellow,
Farragut,
Glen Park,
Roosevelt,
James Lick,
Marshall,
Starr King,
Bernal,
Redding.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to petition the Board of Education accordingly.

In discussing evening work at Jackson Playground it was the sense of the Commission that a committee should visit the grounds and report, Mrs. Hayward, Miss Regan and Mr. De Groot were accordingly named to make such investigation.

Mrs. Hayward and Miss Hagan were appointed to purchase rugs and heaters for the department where needed.

Mr. Gallagher and Mr. De Groot were appointed a committee to call on Chief White and take up with him once more the question of having an officer detailed to the Playground Department.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 4165.73 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Tamony of the Mission Promotion Association appeared before the Commission for the purpose of giving and receiving information relative to the purchase of the proposed playground site in the Mission. It was the sense of the Commission that a special meeting should be called to which the Finance, Parks and Playground Committees of the Board of Supervisors should be invited in order that the purchase might be discussed in detail.

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The day for said meeting to be set at an early date and notices sent out accordingly.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

M. Philomena Hagan
Assistant Secretary.

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San Francisco, November 1st 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Mc Laren

Absent Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Secretary of the Board of Education stating that permission had been granted to the Playground Commission to operate playgrounds on the following schoolyards, was ordered filed:

Visitacion Valley	Bryant,	Glen Park,
Sheridan	Mc Kinley,	Roosevelt,
Francis Scott Key,	Yerba Buena,	James Lick,
Bay View,	Portola,	Marshall,
Gratton,	Longfellow,	Starr King,
Edison,	Farragut,	Bernal,
	Redding.	

In discussing the supervision of these playgrounds Mr. De Groot reported that he would secure directors from the students at the University, the girls at the Normal School, and applications on file.

Mr. De Groot also reported that Richmond Playground would be ready in about two weeks, Spring Valley in a day or two and Mission in about 14 days.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was agreed that a letter should be addressed to the Chief of Police demanding police protection for the playgrounds, such letter to be signed by the President and Secretary of the Commission.

The plans for the planting of Mission Playground, as presented by Mr. Mc Laren were approved and the Superintendent directed to proceed with the work accordingly.

Mr. Beck of the Recreation League and Mrs. Bennett of the Y.W.C.A appeared before the Commission in the interest of having half of Jefferson Square transferred to the Playground Commission. In as much as Jefferson Squa is under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission, the Committee was advised to take the matter up with the Park Board, should this Board favor the transfer then the Committee should take the steps necessary to have this item included in the next Budget of the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Tamony appeared before the Playground Commission in the interest of the proposed playground site in the Mission. Mr. Tamony was requested by the Playground Commission to secure options on the property, when said options were secured to notify the Secretary of the Commission, at which time a joint meeting of the Playground Commission, Finance, Park and Playground

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Committees of the Board of Supervisors would be called.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank A Leard.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, NOVEMBER 15th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the office of the Playground Commission at 2:30 p.m. President, D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present.	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Mc Laren, Mrs. Hayward, Mr. Hale, Mr. Rossi.
Absent	Mr. George E. Gallagher, Miss Agnes G. Regan.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Board of Education with an enclosure from Mr. W. A. Roebling, asking that the yard of the Harrison School be included in the list of schoolyard playgrounds, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to answer same stating that a committee composed of Mrs. M. S. Haywar Mr. De Groot and Rev. D. O. Crowley was appointed to investigate and report their findings at the next meeting of the Commission.

Mrs. Hayward was appointed a committee of one to report on the advisability of placing " Our Wonder World"(a series of ten volumes) at the disposa of the Playground Directors.

The Secretary was directed to acquaint himself regarding liability insurance on the playground car and report his findings at the next meeting of the playground commission.

Mr. John Mc Laren reported that the Park Commission were in a receptive mood regarding an application from this Commission requesting the transfer of Lobos Square. The Secretary was directed to forward a communication asking for this transfer.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 1791.36 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned atthe hour of 4:15 for the purpose of inspecting buildings at the Exposition Grounds which might be used as a field house at Lobos Square.

Frank A Leard.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, November 29th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. Heyward,
Mr. Hale,
Miss Regan,
Mr. Mc Laren.

Absent: Mr. Rossi,
Mr. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from the Park Commission agreeing to transfer Lobos Square to the Playground Commission provided a plan of proposed development and improvements is submitted to the Park Board.

On motion regularly moved seconded and carried the Secretary was directed to forward a communication to the Park Commission explaining that the Playground Commission have no funds for the development of Lobos Square at the present time, but as soon as funds are available intend to develop the ground along the lines of a plan outlined by Mr. De Groot, said plan to be forwarded to the Park Commission with the communication.

A communication was received from H. S. Bridge 2100 Post Street complaining about windows being broken by boys from Hamilton Playground. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the Playground Commission is not responsible in this instance, the case being one which comes under the jurisdiction of the police department.

A communication was received from the Civic League of Improvements Clubs, complaining about the unsightly electric light pole in Hamilton Playground. The Secretary was directed to take the matter up with the Pacific Gas and Electric Light Company for the purpose of having proper lighting facilities installed.

A communication was received from the Spring Valley Mothers Club, asking permission to hold suitable ceremonies at the opening of the Spring Valley Playground. The Secretary directed to reply to same stating that when the grounds were opened formally the Commission would be pleased to have representatives from the district organizations present.

A communication was received from William Crawford Junior asking permission for the boys of the San Francisco Scotch Thistle Club to train in Jackson Playground on Wednesday evenings, same ordered filed and the Secretar directed to reply to same stating that it would be impossible to grant this permission as the grounds are closed at 5 p.m.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was agreed that the Playground Commission should be represented in the Marina Parade on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday November 30th 1916.

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Supervisor Welch appeared before the Commission requesting the expenditure of Five Thousand Dollars on Mission Park, said money to be expended on apparatus for children.

On motion regularly moved seconded and carried the Secretary was directed to write to the Park Commission requesting the privilege of installing certain apparatus in Mission Park for small children, such installation to be subject to the approval of Mr. John Mc Laren.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 7011.14 (salaries $ 2871.64, Schoolyard 165.00, maintenance 3974.50) were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank A Leard

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 13th 1916.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 376 City Hall Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mrs. M.S.Hayward,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were re d and approved.

A communication from the Auditor requesting that pay rolls from the department be presented before Christmas was ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported that Miss Ellis had requested a six months leave of absence without pay, owing to ill health. Same was granted.

That North Beach and Mission Playgrounds were practically completed;

That the grading at Southside was about completed and that plans should be drawn for the development of the ground. On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Mc Laren and Mr De Groot were directed to prepare plans for the development of the entire area of Southside Playground.

That Presidio Height s playground was ready for surfacing; an

That work at Richmond is progressing rapidly.

The Secretary was directed to notify the City Attorney to proceed against the Casualty Company of North America, re a claim of the Mission Garage for work done on the Playground Commissions car as the result of an accident on June 30th 1916.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to arrange a meeting between the members of the Finance Parks and Playground Committees of the Board of Supervisors, and the special committee from the Playground Commission viz: Mr. Mc Laren, Mr. De Groot and Rev. D.O. Crowley, to discuss the Mission Playground site.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 4446.76 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 for the purpose of visiting Lobos Square.

Frank A Leard

Secretary.

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San Francisco, January 3rd 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward.

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from Mrs. F. T. Seiberlich, President of the Visitacion and Reis Tract Improvement Association, stating that the children are denied the use of the Visitacion Schoolyard on days other than school days, and requesting the use of the yard for play purposes during holidays as well as school days was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that a director of play would be named in the immediate future, at which time the aforesaid schoolyard would be operated as a regular schoolyard playground.

A communication from R. Francis Kavanaugh, 999 Greenwich Street requesting information regarding the position of Assistant Instructor(Swimmi the playgrounds and making application for such position , was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating there are no vacancies in the department at this time.

A communication from the Board of Health relative to garbage cars on the siding in front of Jackson Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to keep in touch with the situation and notify the Board of Health again in case the nuisance is not abated.

A communication from the Police Department relative to windows at 2100 Post, which the owners claim were broken by boys from Hamilton Playground, ordered filed and the Superintendent and Secretary directed to investigate.

A communication from Thomas A. Munro, 803 Shrader St., making application for the position of head gardener with the Playground Commission was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating there are no vacancies at the present time, but in the event of a vacancy arising the application would be given due consideration.

A communication from the Mission Promotion Association expressing approval of the plans of the Playground Commission to install children's play apparatus in Mission Park, was ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported that he was prepared to proceed with his plan of winter vacations for directors as outlined in report of March 22nd 1916. It was the sense of the Commission that vacations should be granted accordingly.

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On motion regularly moved and carried it was the sense of the Commission that Play Directors for the department should be selected by the Play Committee of the Commission from the list of applicatns compiled in this office and recommended by Mr. E. B. De Groot.

Mr. Von Kraken appeared before the Commission as chairman of a delegation from the South Easterly Mission district, protesting against the purchase of a playground site particularly designated as follows: bounded by Serpentine and Potrero Avenues, Army and Vermont Streets. The Committee was instructed that the purchase and selection of this playground site or any playground site was in the hands of the Board of Supervisors, therefore the protest should be made to that Body.

On motion regularly moved and carried the election of President of the Play round Commission for the year 1917, was postponed until the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 1639.09 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank A. Lewis

Secretary.

San Francisco, January 17th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission. In the absence of President D.O. Crowley Mr. Marshal Hale was regularly appointed temporary chairman.

Present: Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Mc Laren.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

In accordance with Section 1, Rules of the Playground Commission the election of President was the first order of business.

On motion regularly moved and carried the nominations were declared in order. Rev. D. O. Crowley was nominated by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Hale: On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Hale nominations were closed, and Rev. D. O. Crowley unanimously elected President for the year 1917.

Mr. Samuel Adelstein appeared before the Commission requesting, in the name of the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association, that a suitable program be arranged for Washington's Birthday at Hamilton Playground. It was the sense of the Commission that the request should be given consideration and final action reported to the above named organization.

Mrs. Bender of the Y.W.C.A., Mrs. Henry President of the Mothers Club, John Swett School, and Mr. Beck of the East of Fillmore Street Improvement Association appeared before the Playground Commission on a committee from the following organizations: Mothers Club of the John Swett School, John Sweet School, Y.W.C.A., Fillmore Street Improvement Association, Hayes Valley Improvement Society, Civic League, Mothers Congress, Council of Jewish Women, City Federation of Clubs, Juvenile Protective Association, and the Recreation League, to petition the Playground Commission to supervise the Southern portion of Jefferson Square. The Committee stated that they had already petitioned the Park Commission to transfer the above mentioned section to the Playground Commission.

A discussion of conditions which exist in Jefferson Square resulted in the following resolution being adopted by the Commission:

WHEREAS Civic Agencies including the following organizations: Mothers Club of the John Swett School, John Swett School represented by Mrs. Fitz-Gerald, Young Women's Christian Association, Fillmore Street Improvement Association, Hayes Valley Improvement Society, Civic League, Mothers Congress, City Federation of Clubs, Council of Jewish Women, Recreation League and Juvenile Protective Association; interested in the welfare of children in the thickly populated district in the neighborhood of Jefferson Square, have requested the transfer of a portion of Jefferson Square to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission for play purposes, and

WHEREAS this thickly populated district is without adequate play facilities for children, and

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WHEREAS " the deplorable conditions" which exist in Jefferson Square at the present time make it an unsafe place for children to play; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Playground Commission endorse the petition of the above named organizations for the transfer of that portion of Jefferson Square bounded by Turk, Laguna and Gough Streets and Golden Gate Avenue to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission for play purposes, provided the Board of Supervisors set aside sufficient funds for the maintenance and operation of same as a playground, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Park Commission and the Board of Supervisors."

The report of the City and County Attorney stating that the Playground Commission, cannot according to the Charter of the City and County, be given jurisdiction over any portion of Mission Park, and further stating that the sum of $ 5000.00 which appears in the budget for 1916-17 under general heading "Mission Park Improvement", cannot be expended by the Playground Commission in Mission Park, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward a copy of said opinion to Mr. Mc Laren Superintendent of Golden Gate Park, and Mr. R. Welch, Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from the Auditor stating that all automobiles belonging to the City and County were exempt from Registration fees, therefore in the event of such a fee having been paid by this department during the past two years, an effort will be made to have such amount returned. The Secretary was directed to reply to same giving the information desired Viz: The amount so expended.

The Play Committee recommended that Directors of Schoolyard Playgrounds should be appointed from a list submitted by Mr. De Groot. On motion regularly moved and carried the recommendation was adopted, and the following candidates appointed as Schoolyard Directors:

Mr. Frank Traschler, Mr. Harold Borchers, Mr. George Garton, Miss Florence Bleck, Mrs. J. H. Drunk, Miss A. E. Ahlmen, Miss E. D. Bush, Mrs. Cohnrich, Mrs. Francis Watson, Miss Rita Dowd, Miss Doris Slack, Miss Louise Carson, Miss Myrtle Ewing, Miss Mary E. Casey, Miss Jean M. Hamill, Miss Marie C. Fox, Miss Imelda Cashin, Ida Leavy, Elizabeth A. Hatfield.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was authorized to purchase a pennant to be offered to the winning team in the recent basketball tournament; also to purchase suitable emblems for the captains and lieutenants on the Playgrounds.

On motion regularly moved and carried the sum of $ 250.00 was set aside to assist the San Francisco Athletic League, which is composed of the High Schools of San Francisco, defray the expenses of the Basketball Tournament.

It was the sense of the Commission that the age of children attending the playgrounds should be left to the discretion of the Superintendent, and that the afternoon of Saturday, Sunday and Holidays should be reserved more particularly for working boys and girls.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 659.70 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, January 30th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. Marshal Hale.

Absent: Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with the following amendment:

That section of the Minutes which reads, " On motion regularly moved and carried the sum of $ 250.00 was set aside to assist the San Francisco Athletic League, which is composed of the High Schools of San Francisco, to defray expenses of the Basketball Tournament", to be amended to read as follows:

" Whereas the sum of One Thousand dollars had been appropriated by the Board of Supervisors in the annual budget of 1916-17 for the rental of Ewing Field, to provide a place where High School Athletics might be held, proper facilities not being available, and

Whereas it had been impracticable to carry out this plan for the rental of Ewing Field,

Therefore be it resolved that the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars be set aside from that sum to defray certain expenses of the San Francisco Athletic League Basketball Tournament, to include the rental of the Coliseum and the expenses incurred by the Playground Commission in employing a substitute during the time of the tournament."

Mr. Richard J. Welch of the Board of Supervisors appeared before the Playground Commission to further discuss the possibility of placing apparatus for small children in Mission Park.

Estimates for the construction of the fence at Richmond Playground were received from the Pacific Fence Construction Co., and the Keystone Ornamental Iron and Bronze Works. The figures being over Five Hundred Dollars it was the sense of the Commission that bids should be advertised for. On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to advertise accordingly.

A communication was received from His Honor the Mayor asking that budge estimates for 1917-18 be prepared as soon as possible, and that great economy be exercised in the consideration of same. The Mayor further asks cooperation between all departments in order that the budget estimates may be as near as possible a true estimate of the citys expenditures. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the Playground Commission would be pleased to follow the suggestions outlined in the letter.

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A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, asking that heads of all departments have budget estimates ready by March 15th 1917. The Board also announces that Klink Bean and Company have been employed to establish a uniform system of accounting throughout city departments. Representatives of this firm will dall on departments from time to time and officials are requested to give as much assistance as possible. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating the Playground Commission would comply with the requests.

On motion regularly moved and carried the preparation of the budget estimates was referred to the Finance Committee of the Playground Commission and Mr. E. B. De Groot.

A communication from Mrs. M. R. Norris enclosing a copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Education endorsing the petition of civic organizations to have a portion of Jefferson Square transferred to the Playground Commission was ordered filed.

Mrs. Anita S. Chubbuch, 121 Nineteenth Avenue writes in the name of the mothers and neighbors in the vicinity of Richmond Playground, requesting the use of the tennis courts on aforesaid playground on days and hours when the activities of the children would be uninterrupted. Referred to Mr. E.B. De Groot and the Secretary directed to reply accordingly.

A communication was received from Mr. James De Succa, Secretary of the Park Commission, stating that the transfer of Jeffersib Square to the Playground Commission had been considered in tegular session of the Park Board on January 25th 1917, and the subject matter referred to Mr. John Mc Laren, Superintendent of Golden Gate Park, for report at the next regular meeting.

A communication was received from Mrs. Ida Leavy, in which she declines appointment as a Director of Schoolyard Playground. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. I. Rothenberg, 1670 Ellis St., asking the Playground Commission to provide a Mothers rest room at Hamilton Playground. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply stating that owing to the amount of money expended providing play facilities for children it would be impossible for the Playground Commission to expend any further money on Hamilton Playground at this time.

A communication was received from the Chinese Young Men's Christian Association requesting the use of a football field at 8th and MarketStreets. Referred to Mr. E. B. De Groot.

A complaint was received from Mr. D. E. Josephi, 3132 Sacramento Street, relative to boys playing ball in the lot on Sacramento Street, formerly known as the California Hospital Site. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the complaint would be investigated.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 7177.05 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no furt er business the meeting adjour ed at the hour of 5:-00.

Frank C Laub...

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San Francisco, February 14th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes C. Regan, Mr. Marshal Hale.

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. George E. Gallagher, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

An invitation from the Library Trustees to the dedication ceremonies of the new library, on Thursday February 15th 1917, at 2:30 p.m., was received and ordered filed. It was the sense of the meeting that the members of the Playground Commission should attend if possible and the Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of the invitation .

A communication from the Park Commission relative to Jefferson Square, under date of February 9th 1917, was received and ordered filed. It was the sense of the Commission that the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors should be requested to include in the budget for 1917-18 sufficient funds for the maintenance of a portion of Jefferson Square as a playground.

A communication from the Park Commission under date of February 9th 1917, announcing the transfer of Lobos Square to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that it would be impossible for the Playground Commission to assume definite control of Lobos Square at this time, owing to the fact that sufficient funds for the maintenance and operation of same as a playground are not available. The Secretary was further directed to notify organizations interested in the transfer, of the position of the Playground Commission.

A communication from the Auditor asking information relative to budget estimates for the coming fiscal year, was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to furnish all information possible.

A communication from Clarence E. Tucker Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. thanking the Playground Commission for financial assistance in conducting the Basketball Tournament was [illegible] filed.

A communication from boys in the vicinity of Jackson Playground requesting the use of baseball diamond on Jackson Playground as a home ground during the season of 1917, was received and on motion regularly moved and carried referred to Mr. E. B. De Groot.

The resignation of Mr. E. J. Richards as director of Hamilton Playground, to become effective February 15th 1917, was received with regret. The Secretary was directed to express to Mr. Richards in the name of the Playground Commission of San Francisco, best wishes for success in his new undertakings.

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A communication was received from the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association relative to the exercises at Hamilton Playground on Washington's Birthday. It was the sense of the meeting that the Playground Commission should cooperate to the extent of providing a speaker for the occasion.

A communication was received from L. C. Austin, 1120 Jackson Street, asking where a suitable place might be found for adults to play tennis. The Secretary was directed to reply to same suggesting Alta Plaza at Jackson and Scott Sts.

The resignation of Miss Edith S. Bush, as director of the Marshall Schoolyard Playground was accepted.

A communication from Mrs. C. Frigegar complaining about noise at the James Lick Schoolyard Playground was ordered filed.

A bill from the Supervisors for carpets supplied in the offices of the Playground Commission was referred to the Secretary to determine from the Supplies Committee of the Board of Supervisors if it is customaryfor city departments to pay for the furnishing of their own offices in the city hall.

Mrs. Hittell appeared before the Commission to request that the trees and foliage be left in Jefferson Square. It was the sense of the Commission that in the event of Jefferson Square being developed as a playground that the trees and foliage should be left in place, wherever possible.

Mrs. Mihil and Mrs Erickson were present at the meeting to request the assistance of the Play round Commission in securing a site for a playground in the University Mound District. It was the sense of the Playground Commission that this matter should be taken up wit the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

On motion regularly moved and carried Robert E. Johnson was appointed director of Hamilton Playground, vice E. J. Richards, resigned.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. E. B. De Groot was given power to appoint the directors to the four remaining Schoolyard Playgrounds.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. E. B. De Groot was given power to select emergency substitutes (casual workers) from a list of applicants on file in this office.

It is the sense of the Playground Commission that Miss Frances E. Ware should be granted a leave of absence, without pay to visit San Salvador in the interest of play round work in that country, should she so desire.

Bids for the construction of an iron fence on the Richmond Playground were received and opened as follows:

Pacific Fence Construction Co.....	$ 798.00
Monarch Iron Works.....	784.00
Golden Gate Iron Works.....	770.00
Pacific Iron Works.....	835.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to

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investigate the standing of the lowest bidder, Viz: Golden Gate Iron Works, and report to the President of the Commission. The contract to be awarded to the above named firm, provided the report received be a satisfactory one.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date were approved and ordered paid, amounting to $ 895.33

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank J. Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 15th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Two communications from the Park Commission stating that Jefferson and Lobos Squares respectively would remain under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission until such time as the Playground Commission would be in a position to accept same, were ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of both letters.

A communication was received from the Fillmore Street Improvement Association advocating the installation of a comfort station at Hamilton Square. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to state that the Commission had installed such a station in Hamilton Playground.

A resolution presented by Mrs. Louis Hertz official representative of the California Club, requesting that Lobos Square be renamed Funston Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that in as much as this square is still under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission, this Board could take no action in renaming same.

A communication from the Civic League of Improvement Clubs endorsing the petition of the California Club for the renaming of Lobos Square was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

A communication from the North Beach Promotion Association asking the Playground Commission to include in the 1917-18 budget an item to cover the cost of erecting a neighborhood house over the swimming tank at the North Beach Playground, and the development of Lobos Square as an athletic field was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that it is the sense of the Commission that a large sum of money had been expended on North Beach Playground during the last year, and that the time is inopportune for a request for additional funds for the North Beach Playground, that more necessary improvements in other districts should first be taken care of . The Secretary was further directed to state that it is the intention of the Playground Commission to request sufficient funds for the development of Lobos Square as an athletic field, which would in a great degree conform to the plan suggested in the letter received from the North Beach Promotion Association.

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A communication from the Secretary of the Glen Park Improvement Association asking information relative to the hours and equipment of schoolyard playgrounds, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same giving the information desired.

In discussing the Budget estimated reported by the Finance Committee, the Secretary was on motion regularly moved and carried directed to incorporate the following items for the 1917-18 budget.

Services other than personal	$ 4532.67
Materials	4806.95
Supplies	7499.00
Heat, Light and Power,	7005.00
Hired Teams	700.00
Furniture and Furnishings	6981.29
Rents	366.00
Buildings, Structures and Improvements	34000.00
Salaries	[illegible]
Wages	13300.00

Land. A sufficient sum to purchase the remainder of that piece of property selected for a playground site and bounded as follows: Army and Hampshire Streets, Potrero and Serpentine Avenues.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 1371.10 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank [illegible]
Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 19th 1917.

MEETING.

On request of the President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, notices for a special meeting were sent out for the above date for the purpose of considering additional items for the 1917-18 budget.

Presnet:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. George E. Gallagher.
Absent:	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

On motion regularly moved and carried the wages of laborers in the employ of the Playground Commission were raised from $ 3.00 per day to $ 3.50 per day.

On motion regularly moved and carried the salary of Mr. E.B. De Groot was raised from $ 1000.00 to $ 2000.00 per year.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was agreed to include a request in the budget for five additional schoolyard playgrounds, and five areas for street play.

In discussing the change of name of Lobos Square the Secretary was directed to forward a communication to the Park Commission stating the willingness of this Board to accept Lobos under the name of Funston Park or Playground, should the Park Commission desire to so rename the above mentioned square. The Secretary was further directed to notify the California Club accordingly.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

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San Francisco, March 29th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Minutes of the special meeting of March 19th were approved as read.

Mr. Johnson, 464 Valley Street, representing the Twenty-ninth and Church Street Improvement Club appeared before the Commission requesting the Board to endorse a petition for the purchase of the property adjacent to the Kate Kennedy School for playground purposes.

A communication was received fr m the Church Street Merchants and Property Owners Association requesting the Commission to incorporate in the budget a request for funds to purchase the property adjacent to the Kate Kennedy School for playground purposes.

It was the sense of the Commission that a committee should be appointed ti investigate the property in question and the Secretary directed to notify both Mr. Johnson and the Church Street Merchants and Property Owners Association that such a committee had been appointed and would report their findings at a later date.

Mr. Peter Tamony appeared before the Commission in the interest of the holders of the property included in the proposed playground site in the South East Mission District. It was the sense of the Commission that the matter should remain in abeyance until a joint meeting between the Playgroun Commission, the Finance, Parks and Playgrounds Committees of the Board of Supervisors had been arranged.

Mr. Mooser presented the bills from the three appraisers of the Proposed playground site, requesting the Commission to take some action in the matter. Mr. Mooser was advised that the matter would be adjusted at a later date, after a meeting between the Playground Commission, the Finance Education Parks and Playgrounds Committees of the Board of Supervisors.

A communiction from the City Attorney subject " "Control of Playground Commission Over Funds" was ordered filed.

A communication from the Bord of Supervisors announcing the Budget hearing of the Playground Commission on April 11th 1917, at 4 p.m., was ordered filed.

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A communication from the Point Lobos Improvement Association endorsing the change of name of Lobos Square to Funston Playground was ordered filed.

A communication from the ~~Park~~ Commission announcing that that Board had inanimously agreed upon the change of name of Lobos Square to Funston Playground, was ordered filed.

A communication from the Mothers Club of the Hawthorne School requesting this department to maintain a schoolyard playground at the above mentioned school was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that at the present time funds for that purpose are not available. The Secretary was further directed to state that the Playground Commission had requested the Board of Supervisors in the budget of 1917-18 for sufficient funds to maintain five additional schoolyard playgrounds. In the event of this request being granted, the Hawthorne School will be given due consideration.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to arrange a meeting between the Finance, Education Parks and Playgrounds Committees of the Board of Supervisors and the Playground Commissioners, for the purpose of discussing the purchase of a playground site in the South-east Mission District. (bounded by Potrero,Army,Hampshire and Serpentine Avenues)

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 3415.47 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m., for the purpose of visiting Bernal and Garfield Squares to determine the advisability of utilizing same as playgrounds.

Frank A. Lewis
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 11th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission at 2:30 p.m. President D. O. Crowley Presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Miss Agnes G. Regan.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Griffin appeared before the Commission with a request that this Board endorse the dition of the residents in the Noe Valley District for the purchase of the property adjacent to the James Lick School for playground purposes. On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved that this Commission endorse the petition for the purchase of the proposed property and the Committee was given the authority to present the endorsement of this Board to the Finance Committee of the Supervisors.

A communication was received from the Church Street Merchants and Property Owners Association asking that the Playground Commission look into the advisibility of a playground in the Noe Valley District. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that this Commission is in favor of a play round site in the Noe Valley District , and to forward to the association the endorsement given verbally to Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Griffin.

A communication from the City Land Improvement Club asking this Commission to have the land adjacent to the Sheridan School, made practicable for playground purposes " a ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating the property must first be turned over by the Board of Supervisors to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission before this department could take any action in the matter.

An application from Robert Morrison for the position of Swimming Instructor at the North Beach Bath House was ordered filed.

A committee of citizens living in the vicinity of the proposed playground site at Twenty-sixth and Army Streets appeared before the Commission protesting against the purchase of that property bounded by Army, Hampshire, Potrero and Serpentine Avenues.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Committee was directed to report back at the next meeting of the Play round Commission with an alternative play, such report to be in writing.

The Superintendent reported the following dates for the Spring Festive on the Play rounds.

It was further resolved that the selection of the Playground site in the East Mission District should be settled at the next meeting of the Commission May 25th 1917.

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Mission Playground	May 1st,
Hamilton	" 5th
Southside	" 6th
Jackson	" 12th
Excelsior	" 13th
Spring Valley	" 19th
North Beach	" 20

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Hale, Mr. Mc Laren, and Rev. D. O. Crowley, were appointed a committee of three to interview Mr. Hynes, regarding the services of the Municipal Band at these Spring Festivals.

A communication from Mr. Lees J. Schantz, requesting a leave of absence for a period of one year was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that it would be impossible to grant any leave of absence for a longer period than three months, except to those who wished to take up studies to advance themselves in Playground Work, or those who wished to join the colors. The Secretary was further directed to state that should he wish to take a three months leave, the Commission would grant the request , said leave to commence May 1st 1917.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 479.44 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 11th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 376 City Hall, President Rev. D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Geo. Gallagher, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent	Miss Agnes G. Regan.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Griffin appeared before this Commission with a petition that the request of the residents in the Noe Valley District for t purchase of the property adjacent to the James Lick School for playground purposes. On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved that the Commission endorse the petition for the purchase of the proposed property and the Committee given permission to present the endorsement of the Playground Commission to the members of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from the Church Street Merchants and Property Owners Association asking the playground Commission to look into the advisability of a playground site in the Noe Valley District. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that this Commission is in favor of a playground site in the Noe Valley District, and to forward to the association the endorsement given verbally to Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Griffin reltaive to the same question.

A communication from the City Land Improvement Association asking this Commission to have the land adjacent to the Sheridan School made practicable for playground purposes was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the property would first have to be transferred to the Playground Commission by the Board of Supervisors before this department could take any steps in the matter.

An application from Mr. Robert morrison for the position of swimming Instructor at the North Beach Bath House was ordered filed.

A committee of citizens living in the vicinity of the proposed playground site in the southeast Mission District appeared before the Playgroun Commission protesting against the purchase of the proposed site bounded by Army Street, Potrero Avenue, Hampshire Street and Serpentine Avenues. On Motion regularly moved and carried the Chairman of the Committee Mr. Von Krakau was asked to appear at the next regular meeting of the Commission April 25th 1917 with an alternative plan, said plan to be presented in writing. It was further resolved that the site of the proposed playground should be selected at the next meeting of the Playground Commission (viz. April 25th 1917.)

Letter of Mr. E. E. Kortick offering for sale block 28 U.Mound Dist. ordered filed and Mr. Kortic. invited to next meeting of the Commission May 9

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The Superintendent reported the following dates for the Spring Festivals obn the Playgrounds.

Mission Playground	May 1st
Hamilton	" 5th
Southside	" 6th
Jackson	" 12th
Excelsior	" 13th
Spring Valley	" 19th
North Beach	" 20th.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Hale, Mr. Mc Laren, and Rev. D.O. Crowley were appointed a committee of three to interview Supervisor Mr. John D. Hynes, regarding the services of the Municipal Band for the Spring Festivals.

A communication from Mr. Lees J. Schantz requesting a leave of absence for one year was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that it would be impossible to grant a leave of absence for period of more than three months, except to those who wished to take up studies to advance themselves in playground work or to those who wished to join the colors. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Schantz he might have a three months leave should he so desire, said leave to commence May 1st 1917.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 479.44 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Very truly yours,

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 11th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2:30 p.m. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Marshal Hale Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. George E. Gallagher, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent:	Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Griffin appeared before the Commission with a request that this Board endorse the petition of the residents in the Noe Valley District for the purchase of the property adjacent to the James Lick Sch for playground purposes. On motion regularly movedand carried the Committee was given the endorsement of the Commission for the purchase of the property and were further given the authority to present such endorsement to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from the Church Street Merchants and Property Owners Association asking that the playground Commission look into the advisability of a playground in the Noe Valley District. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating this Commission is heartily in favor of a playground in the Noe Valley District, and to forward to the Association the endorsement given verbally to Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Griffin.

A communication from the City Land Improvement Club asking the Commission to have the land adjacent to the Sheridan made practicable for playground purposes was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating the property must first be transferred by the Board of Supervisors to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission before this department could take any action in the matter.

An application from Mr. Robert Morrison for the position of swimming instructor at the North Beach Bath House, was ordered filed.

A committee of citizens living in the vicinity of the proposed playground site bounded by Army Street, Potrero Avenue, Hampshire Street and Serpentine Avenue, appeared before the Commission to protest against the purchase. On motion regularly moved and carried the chairman of the Committee, Mr. Von Krakau was asked to appear before the next meeting of the Commission, with an alternative plan, such plan to be in writing. It was further resolved that the selection of the playground site should be determined at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission viz: April 25th 1917.

The Superintendent reported the following dates for the Spring Festivals on the Playgrounds:

Mission Playground,	May 1st
Hamilton	" 5th
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Jackson	" 12th
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Spring Valley	" 19th
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On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Hale, Mr. Mc Laren and Rev. D. O. Crowley were appointed a committee of three to interview Mr. John Hynes, regarding the services of the Municipal Band at the Spring Festivals.

A communication from Mr. Lees J. Schantz, requesting a leave of absence for a period of one year was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that it would be impossible to grant a leave of absence to any director for a period of more than three months, except to those who wished to take up studies to advance themselves in playground work, or who wished to join the colors. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Schantz that he might have a leave for a period of three months, said leave to commence May 1st 1917.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 479.44 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Very truly yours,

Frank A. Lawler
for D.R.H.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 25th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President, Rev. D. O. Crowley presidin

Present. Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. George Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Various delegates interested in the purchase of a playground site in the Southeast Mission district appeared befpre the Commission, Mr. Von Krakau being the only one present who protested against the purchase of that piece of property bounded by Army, Potrero Avenue, Serpentine Avenue and Hampshire Street, and had no alternative proposition to offer. Rev. Doctor Maxwell, Rev. E. J. Sullivan and Mr. J. H. Leavy endorsed the purchase of the above mentioned site.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved that the Playground Commission purchase for the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars the following described property:

Commencing at the intersection of the Westerly line of Potrero Avenue, and the Southerly line of Serpentine Avenue, to the point of beginning running thence on the Westerly line of Potrero Avenue South, 271.35 feet, thence at right angles Westerly 150 feet, thence at right angles Southerly 100 feet, thence at Right angles Westerly 128 feet to the Easterly line of Hampshire Street, thence North on the East line of Hampshire Street, 204.50 feet to the Southerly line of Serpentine Avenue, approximately 346.17 feet to Potrero Avenue and point of commencement"

And the Secretary was directed to communicate with the City and County Attorney requesting him to make all arrangements necessary for the purchase of the proposed site.

Adopted by the following vote Ayes: Rev. D.O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Geo. Gallagher, Mr. John Mc Laren, No: Mr. Rossi. Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to prepare plans for the development of same as a playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent Mr. B. B. De Groot and the Secretary Mr. Frank A. Lawler, were directed to prepare pla whereby the grounds could be open on Sunday morning, and on week days until sundown, in order that adults might be granted the use of the playgrounds at these hours.

The Superintendent was directed to notify Mr. Robert Morrison that his application for the position of Swimming Instructor at the North Beach Playground, had been favorably considered. Mr. Morrison to report for duty at once.

The Superintendent was authorized to purchase badges to be given as prizes for the races and athletic events during the Spring Festivals

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In discussing the budget estiamtes for 1917-18 it was the sense of the Committee that the Secretary should notify all persons and clubs interested in Jefferson and Lobos Squares, that the Playground Commission had included in the estimates an item to cover cost of development, maintenance and supervision of these two parks as playgrounds, and to ask the cooperation of all interested in helping the playground Commission secure these items of appropriation.

Miss Regan reported that she had investigated the Chinese building at the Exposition Grounds, and did not consider it suitable to serve for playground purposes.

An invitation from Miss Foley and Mr. Ebert of the Mission Playground and Bath House, to the members of the Playground Commission, to the Spring Festival at Mission was ordered filed.

A communication from the Civic League of Improvement Clubs inviting the Playground Commission to the dedicatory services of the Esplanade on Sunday May 2nd 1917, was ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. Sandell, Chairman on Committee of arrangements Native Sons Baseball League, requesting the use of the playgrounds on Sunday mornings for the ball players was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that a plan would be evolved whereby the grounds would be placed at the disposal of adults on Sunday morning.

A communication from Dr. Fischer Secretary of the North Beach Promotion Association complaining of alleged maltreatment of a child on the North Beach Playgrounds was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that upon investigation evidence of the maltreatment of a ry child on the North Beach Playground had not been discovered.

A communication from Mr. I. W. Peckham asking that a playground be provided for large boys in the pan handle district, and that the playground in the panhandle be enlarged was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that this Commission could take no action in the matter as the panhandle was under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission.

A communication from Mr. G. Edward Lyon asking that the Playground Commission name the property between 18th and 19th Avenues, Lake and California Streets, Lobos Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply stating that it had been customary for the playground Commission th name the playgrounds after the district in which they are located, and that the playground in question had already been designated as " Richmond"

On motion regularly moved and carried the plan presented by Mr. De Groot for the development of Mission Park, playground was adopted.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to$ 5656.49 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank C. Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 25th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M.S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Various delegates interested in the purchase of a playground site in the Southeast Mission District appeared before the Commission. Mr. Von Krakau being the only one present who protested against the purchase of the proposed site bounded by Army Street, Potrero Avenue, Hampshire Street and Serpentine Avenue, Mr. Von Krakau had no alternative proposition to offer. Rev. Doctor Maxwell, Rev. E. J. Sullivan, and Mr. J. H. Leavy endorsed the purchase of the above mentioned property.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following res lution was adopted:

Resolved that the Playground Commission purchase for the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars

" Commencing at the Westerly line of Potrero venue and the Southerly line of Serpentine Avenue, to the point of beginning, running the thence on the Westerly line of Potrero Avenue South 271.35 feet, thence at right angles Westerly 150 feet thence at Right angles Southerly 100 feet Thence at right angles Westerly 128 feet to the Easterly line of Hampshire Street, thence North easterly on the Southerly line of Serpentine Avenue, approximately 346.17 feet to Potrero Avenue and point of commencement.

The Secretary was directed to communicate with the City and County Attorney requesting him to make all arrangements necessary for the purchase and to proceed with same.

Adopted by the following votes: Ayes; Rev. D.O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Geo. Gallagher, Mr. John Mc Laren. No: Mr. Angelo J. Rossi Absent; Mr. Hale.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was dirsected to prepare plans for the development of aforesaid playground site

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary and Siperintendent, Mr. Lawler, and Mr. De Groot were instructed to prepare plans whereby the grounds could be open on Sunday mornings, and in the evening to 7 o'clock, in order that adults might be granted the use of the grounds at these hours.

The Superintendent was instructed to notify Mr. Robert Morrison that his application for the position of swimming instructor at the North Beach Bath House had been favorably considered, and he was to report to duty at once.

The Superintendent was authorized to purchase badges to be used as prizes for races etc, on the playgrounds during the Spring Festivals.

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In discussing the budget for 1917-18 it was the sense of the Commission that the Secretary should notif all clubs organizations etc., interested in Jefferson and lobos Squares, that this Commission had included an item to cover the cost of development, maintenance and operation of these two parks as playgrounds, and to ask the cooperation of all interested in their development in helping the Playground Commission secure this item of appropriation.

Miss Regan reported that she had investigated the Chinese Pavilion at the Exposition Grounds and does not deem same proper for playground uses.

An invitation from Miss Foley and Mr. Ebert of the Mission Playground, to the members of the Commission to the Spring Festival on Mission Playground was ordered filed.

A communication from the Civic League of Improvement Clubs inviting the participation of the Playground Commission in the dedicatory services of the esplanade on Sunday May 2nd 1917, was ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. R. Dandell, Chairman Committee of arrangements for the Nat ce Sons Baseball League, requesting the use of baseball diamonds on the playgrounds on Sunday morning was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that a plan was about to be evolved which would permit of this activity, and place the grounds at the disposal of adults on Sunday mornings.

A communication from Dr Fischer complaining of the alleged maltreatment of a child on the North Beach Playground, by the Superintendent in charge was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that an investigation had been made and no evidence procured of the maltreatment of a child on the playground.

A communication from Mr. I.W. Peckham asking that the playground in the pan handle be enlarged was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating the Park Commission had jurisdiction of the playground referred to, therefor this Commissioncould take no action in the matter.

A communication from Mr. G. Edward Lyon requesting that the property of the Playground Commission between 18th and 19th Avenues, Lake and California Street be named Lobos Playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that it had been customary for the Commission to name playgrounds after the district in which they might be located, this playground had therefor been designated as " Richmond".

On motion regularly moved and carried the plan presented by Mr. E.B. De Groot for the development of the playground in Mission Park was adopted.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 5656.49 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank A Brandon

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 9th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. E. Kortick appeared before the Commission with a request that the Playground Commission purchase a playground site in the University Mound District. The Commission explained that owing to lack of funds such a purcha would be impossible at this time. Mr. Kortick however was advised to interes the residents of that district in the coming Bond Election of the Board of Educatioh, as it is the intention of the Board to include in the Bond a sum sufficient to purchase additional land for the Portola School, this land being acquired it would then be possible to have a playground in connection with the school.

A communication from the Civic League of Improvement Clubs, and one from the Secretary of the Young Womens Christian Association both expressing willingness to cooperate with the Playground Commission in securing funds for the development of Jefferson and Lobos Squares as playgrounds were ordered filed.

A communication from Miss Rae Alexander, Principal of the Parental School asking for the use of ground at Southside Playground to plant as a garden was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that it would be impossible to entertain the request, as the Playground Commissio intended to develop the remaining area of Southside Playground as a baseball diamond.

Mr. De Groot reported that the Spring Festivals at Southside, Hamilton and Mission Playgrounds were most succesful.

Mr. De Groot also reported that the Richmond Playground was open to the children, and that owing to the large number of children who made a practice of climbing over the fence, resulting in a serious accident to one small boy, the ground in his opinion should remain open until dark. It was the sens of the Commission that arrangements should be made to keep the ground open as requested, until dark.

Mr. De Groot reported the slide at Southside should be torn down. On motion regularly moved and carried the slide was ordered raised and a new sixteen foot slide put in its place.

A communication from Mr. Thomas Mulvey asking the names of all employees in the department was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward the information as requested.

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In discussing war measures, and the possibility of the male employees being called to service, the Commission agreed that all such vacancies as might arise should be temporarily filled by women directors.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 1983.04 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Frank A. Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 23rd 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 376 City Hall.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Mrs. Phil B. Cohen 1021 Harrison Street, asking for the use of a portion ofthe Southside Playground to plant as a garden, same ordered filedand the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that it would be impossible to grant this request, as a similar request from the Ethan Allen School had been denied.

A communication was received from the City and County Attorney stating that the writ of prohibition sought, to be directed against the Playground Commission in the matter of the purchase of the lands bounded by Army, Potrero, Hampshire Street and Serpentine Avenue had been dismissed by Judge Sewell.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, relative to the payment by this department of a bill from D.N. & E. Walters for carpets, amounting to $ 100.36 and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that in as much as the carpets had not been ordered by the Playground Commission, this Board would not honor the bill.

A communication from J. Zemansky, registrar of voters thanking the Playground Commission for the offer of services of employees for registration day, was ordered filed.

A communication from the Board of Health announcing the appointment of Dr. Arthur O'Neill to the position of City Physician, ordered filed.

A communication from the Juvenile Protedtive Association offering the cooperation of th torganization in securing a budget appropriation for the Playground Commission was ordered filed.

Mr. De Groot recommended the appointment of Mr. R. E. Mc Cord as Director of Excelsior Playground vice Lees J. Schantz on leave,at a salary of $ 90.00 per month. To the position of Itinerant Director, Thomas H. Foster, at a salary of $ 75. 00 per month. On motion regularly moved and carried appointments so ordered.

Mr. De Groot further reported as per recommendations of the Play Committee, Miss Gertrude Freese had been transferred to Richmond Playground

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $4573.85

There being no further business the meeting djourned at the hour of 4:55.

Frank A. Lawler

Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 6th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order on this day at the hour of 3:10 p.m.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Marshal Hale
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

In discussing the purchase of that block bounded by Hampshire Street, Serpentine Avenue, Army Street and Potrero Avenue, the following resolution was offered by Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. M. S. Hayward

" RESOLVED, that the offer of the Home Realty Company, a corporation, to sell to the City and County of San Francisco, a Municipal Corporation, the property owned by it and described in the offer submitted to the Board of Supervisors on March 21st 1917, for the sum of Four Thousand teo hundred and fifty dollars, ($ 4,250.) be and same is hereby accepted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the offer of Mary K. Ingram and John H. Donnelly to sell to the City and County of San Francisco the property owned by them and described in the offer submitted to the Board of Supervisors on March 21st 1917, for the sum of Five Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($5,250.00) be and same is hereby accepted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the offer of James B. Doherty and George Doherty to sell to the City and County of San Francisco the property owned by them and described in the offer to the Board of Supervisors on March 21st 1917, for the sum of Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($6,750.00) be and same is hereby accepted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the offer of E. W. Newell contained in his wr written offer of March 24th 1917, addressed to the Board of Supervisors of this City and County to sell to the City and County for the sum of Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars ($5,750.00) property in the proposed playground in the block bounded by Hampshire Street, Serpentine Avenue Potrero Avenue and Army Street, be and the same is hereby accepted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE offer of Geo. Ryan to sell to the City and County of San Francisco the property owned by him and described in offer submitted to the Board of Supervisors on March 21st 1917, for the sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3000.00) be and same is hereby accepted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the acceptance of each and every said offer and all of them is made upon condition that the City and County of San Francisco shall receive good and valid title in fee simple in and to each and all of said parcels of land, free and clear of any lien, easement, right of way or other incumbrance, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Attorney is hereby directed to examine the title to said land and that if the same is found to be vested in the afore aid owners, free and clear of all encumbrances and the taxes for the current fiscal year are paid, to cause a good and sufficient deed to be executed and delivered to the City and County of San Francisco upon the payment of the agreed purchase price, as aforesaid.

Adopted by the following vote : Ayes: D. O. Crowley, Mrs. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. John Mc Laren.

A communication from J. S. Dunnigan Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, enclosing a bill for carpets used in the office of the Play round Commission, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to return the bill stating that in as much as the Playground Commission had not entered into the contract for aforesaid carpets, they would not assume the liability of same.

The Secretary reported an approximate balance of $ 6000.00 dollars in the funds of the Playground Commission for the present fiscal year. Mr. Lawler and Mr. De Groot were empowered to secure if possible a piece of land in the proposed Playground site, bounded by Potrero Avenue, Serpentine Avenue, Army and Hampshire Streets, up to and including the sum of six thousand dollars. If this is not to be procured, Mr. De Groot and Mr. Lawler were empowered to enter into contract for the improvement of the property in question up to and including any balance which might exist in the Playground Commission funds after all bills for the present fiscal year had been paid.

Bills and current expenses amounting to 1745.00 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

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San Francisco, June 27th 1917

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m., in the absence of the President Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John Mc Laren was unanimously elected presiding officer.

Present: Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Rev. D. O. Crowley.

The MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors enclosing bill from D. N. & E. Walters, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to pay no further attention to the matter.

An application from William Allen for a position with the Playground Commission as laborer was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. Delia Clark, 40 A Angelica Street complaining about the boys using the swimming tank at the Mission Playground congregating on her front steps while waiting their turn for admission to the baths. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that arrangements had been made whereby the boys entered the tank from the playground side of the building, thus abating the nuisance complained of.

A communication was received from Mrs. E. E. Spence complaining about having a Director in charge of the Mc Kinley Schoolyard Playground during the vacation when the attendance was too small to warrant such an expenditure. Ordered filed, the Secretary reported that the Mc Kinley and five other Schoolyard playgrounds had been closed because of the poor attendance.

There being no further business the bills and current expenses for the month to date were approved and ordered paid as follows: $ 4900.30

Adjournment 4:00 p.m.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, 11th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p/m/ President, D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John Mc Laren/

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Geo. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A communication from William A. Martin, 870 Fell St., asking to be considered an applicant for a position as playground director, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that there are no vacancies at this time.

A communication from Mrs. J. Beauchau, 3473 Sacramento Street complaining of balls going into her yard from the Presidio Heights Playground, and being generally annoyed by the children on the playground was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that these grounds were closed at the present time, because of extensive repairs being made to the property, to further state that play supervised or unsupervised was not permitted on the ground during the time of said repair, that it is the opinion of the Playground Commission there will be no further trouble when the work is once completed.

A communication was received from Miss Grace Mitchell a resident of Fresno, California asking information regarding the playground department of San Francisco, same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same giving the information req ested.

The Superintendent reported that the apparatus in Mission Park was bein installed at the present time, apparatus for the small children being confined to the section surrounding the wading pool in the southern part of the park, apparatus for larger children being installed on 18th Street side.

In discussing the appropriation for the purchase of additional land in the SouthEast Mission Playground site, it was the sense of the Commission that arrangements shouod be made at once for said purchase, on motion regularl moved and carried the Chairman was given power to appoint a committee to make all necessary preliminary arrangements.

In discussing the appropriation of $8000.00 for the improvement of Jefferson and Lobos Squares, it was the sense of the Commission that this amount was not sufficient for the improvement of both Squares, therefore

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on motion regularly moved and carried, the Superintendent and Secretary were appointed to prepare a plan whereby the appropriation could be spent to the best advantage.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 2917.82 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank A. Lamb

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 7th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presidin

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

Absent: Mrs. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Auditor requesting the department to notify him in the case of the demise of any employee of the Commission, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating the information would be forwarded should such an occasion arise.

A communication was received from the Liebes estate through the agents(Sterling Realty Co.) granting permission to the playground Commission to close the property adjacent to the Spring Valley Playground against trespass. The Secretary was directed to take the matter up personally with agents, with the idea of having them abate the nuisance.

A communication from Mrs. Snell, who resides next to the Richmond Playground was received and ordered filed. Mrs. Snell requests the Playgroun Commission to raise the fence high enough to prevent balls from going into her yard. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that arrangements would be made whereby she would have no further annoyance.

The Superintendent reported the following hours of employment for Playground Directors:

School days:

Jackson Southside Excelsior Hamilton North Beach	Caretakers or Gardeners-- 9 a.m. to 12m. Women Directors--12 to 5:30 p.m. Men Directors--2 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Mission Spring Valley Holly Park	Caretakers or Gardeners --9 a.m. to 12 m. Director in charge 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Presidio	Caretaker 9 a.m. to 12m. Director 12 m to 6 p.m.
Richmond	Assistant Director 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Director 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Saturday and Other School Holidays:

Jackson Southside Excelsior Hamilton North Beach	Women Directors 9 to 5:30 p.m. Men Directors 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Lunch hour, Women Directors 12 to 1 p.m. Lunch hour, Men Directors 1 p.m. to 2 p.m

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Mission Spring Valley Holly Park Presidio	Directors in Charge 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Lunch hour 12m to 1 p.m.
Richmond	Assistant Director 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Director 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

SUNDAYS

Jackson Southside Excelsior Hamilton North Beach	Women Directors 10 2.m. to 6 p.m. Men Directors 10 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Directors may take one hour off duty for luncheon during the time of least attendance on playground. Both directors may not be absent for lunch at the same time. The man Director will be held responsible for a satisfactory arrangement of the lunch hours.
Mission Spring Valley Holly Park Presidio	Directors in charge 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Lunch hour 12 to 1 p.m.
Richmond	Assistant Director 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Director 2 p.m. to 7 p.m.

On motion regularly moved and carried the above schedule was adopted as presented.

The Superintendent also reported the following street zones to be closed for street play; 1- San Jose Avenue between Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth.

2- Webster Street between Fulton and Grove Streets

3- Walter Street south of Duboce to Fourteenth Street.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary and Superintendent were directed to proceed with the necessary steps to have these streets closed and to make plans for street play in these sections.

In discussing the appropriation of funds for the development of Jefferson Square it was the sense of the Commission that the plans presented by Mr. E. B. De Groot should be approved, the Secretary was directed to forward a communication to the Park Commission asking for an appointment with that Board in order that the plans might be presented for their consideration.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to forward a communication to the Auditor asking that all funds appropriated for the Playground Commission should remain "en globo".

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 2956.39 were approved and order d paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:20 p.m.

Frank Roach

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 22nd 1917.

MEETING.

Notices sent out for the regular meeting of the Playground Commission failed to record a quorum, those members present therefore on motion regularly moved and carried decided to sit as a minority board all action taken to be subject to the approval of the Commission at the next regular meeting.

Present:	Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Rev. D. O. Crowley Mr. John Mc Laren.
Absent:	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the State Board of Health relative to the administration of public swimming pools was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to comply with the provisions contained in said bill.

A communication from J. S. Dunnigan clerk of the Board of Supervisors relative to the lack of appropriation in this years budget covering accident claims of city employees was ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. John W. Rogers, acting Chief clerk of the Board of Supervisors enclosing bill from D. H. E. Walters for carpets $ 100.3 was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to return the bill stating that same was an unjust claim against the Playground Commission, the Commission therefore would not approve the demand for same now allow the bill to be paid out of any funds under the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission.

An appraisement of the property in the Southwest Mission District which is to be a part of the Potrero Playground, was received from O. D. Martin as follows: " I have examined the property [illegible] sketch dated by Frank A. Lavle bounded by Potrero Avenue and Army Street, and Hampshire Street, in my opinio the northwest corner of Army Street and Potrero Avenue, 90 feet on Army Street by 300 feet on Potrero Avenue, is worth $.70 per square foot or $ 18,900.00

The lot on the Norther[illegible] of Army Street, 90 feet west of Portero Avenue, 60 by 300 feet containing 18,000 square feet I value at $ .50 per squa foot or - $ 9000.00

The lot on the northeast corner of Army and Hampshire Streets 138 feet frontage on Army Street by 198 feet on Hampshire street, I value at $.35 per square foot or $ 13,939.00.

Respectfully submitted signed (O. D. Martin)

The following appraisement was received from William A. Sh[illegible]ue;

I have subdivided the property and area mentioned [illegible] into two units.

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Parcel # 1

The northwest corner of Potrero Avenue and Army Street, having a frontage 300 feet on Potrero Avenue by a uniform depth on Army Street, viz: 27000 square feet- divided into three subdivisions of 9,000 square feet each, I value as follows:

The inside two units each 100 X 90 feet at 75¢ per square feet, equals $ 6.750 value of two units $ 13,500.

The corner 100 X 90 feet I value at 87½¢ per square foot, or a total value of the corner of $ 7,875. making a total of $ 21,375.00

Parcel # 2.

Being on the north line of Army Streetm 90 feet west of Potrero Avenue 60 feet front on Army street by a uniform depth of 300 feet, and containing 18,000 square feet I have subdivided into three units each containing 6,000 square feet.

Unit # 1 Fronting on Army Street I value at 63¢ per square foot or $3780.00
Unit # 2 The center 6,000 square feet, I value at 45¢ per square 2700.00
Unit # 3 The end piece of 6000 sq.ft. I value at 36¢ per Sq.ft. 2160.00
Total value of parcel No 2 $ 8,640.00

Parcel # 3 Being the northeast corner of Army and Hampshire Streets, I have subdivided into four units as follows:

Unit No 1. Northeast corner of Army and Hampshire Streets 45 X 100 feet containing 4500 square feet, I value at $ 75¢ per square foot or $3,375
Unit # 2 Adjoining on rear and fronting 98 feet on Hampshire street by 45 feet containing 4410 square feet, I value at 50¢ per square feet or $ 2,205.00
Unit # 3. Hafing 83 feet on Army Street by 100 feet adjoining Unit 1 containing 8,300 square feet I value at 63¢ per square foot or $ 5229.00
Unit # 4. Being 63 X 98 feet, containing 8134 Square feet, in rear of Unit # 3 I value at 45¢ per square foot or $ 3,660.00 total value of 14.469.00

Summary

Parcel No 1 containing	27,000	square feet at	79¢	av.	sq.	ft.	21,375.00
Parcel No 2 "	18,000	" " "	48	"	"	"	8,640.00
Parcel No 3 "	25,344.	" " "	57	"	"	"	14,469.00
Total	70,344						44,484.00

(Signed William A. Shadee)

On motion regularly moved and carried the President, Secretary and Superintendent were instructed to make all arrangements necessary for the purchase of that property designated as parcels 1 and 2 at the purchase price designated in the above appraisements, if it is not possible to make the purchase at these prices to instruct the City Attorney to begin condemnation proceedings if necessary.

In discussing the development of Jefferson Square as a playground it was the sense of the Commission that Mr. Mc Laren should secure the consent of the Park Commissioners for the transfer of the needed portions in order that this department might commence work at once.

Bills and current expenses for the month ot date amounting to $ 2002.03 and salaries amounting to 3414.66 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 19th 1917.

MEETING.

Notices having been sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission failed to record a quorum, therefore those members present, on motion regularly moved and carried decided to sit as a minority board, all actions taken to be subject to the Commission at the next regular meeting.

Present: Rev. D.O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications

A communication from Mr. James De Succa, Secretary of the Park Board, notifying the Playground Commission that Jefferson Square , blocks bounded by Turk Street Golden Gate Ave., Gough and Laguna Streets are at their disposal for playground purposes. It was the sense of the meeting that we should await the return of Mr. Mc Laren from the East before proceeding with the work of development.

A communication from Mr. C. Lederer asking permission to play handball on Hamilton Playground at 6 a.m. was received and ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating this permission could not be granted as it would be giving a special privilege.

A communication from the State Board of Health acknowledging receipt of swimming tank application was ordered filed.

A communication was received, from Mr. George W. Hind, President of the Hind Estate Co. accepting the offer of the Playground Commission ($8640.00) Eight Thousand Six Hundred Forty Dollars, for the property on the North side of Army Street ninety feet (90') West of Potrero Avenue, six by three hundred feet (60' X 300'), ordered filed and the Secretary directed to instruct the City and County Attorney to close the deal forthwith.

On the suggestion of the Advisory Superintendent, (Mr. E. E. De [illegible] Ray Daugherty was assigned to the Public Schools Athletic League to take charge of the work formerly under the supervision of Mr. Eustace Peixotto.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Lawler and Mr. De Groot were authorized to arrange for the taking of moving pictures on the playgrounds in the City and County of San Francisco.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $1299 .15

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 10th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President D. C. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. C. Crowley,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved and the action of the minority board approved as the action of the majority.

A communication from Mrs. A. H. Smith, 563-42nd Ave., requesting that one day a week be set aside as ladies day at the North Beach Swimming Tank, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating this request must be denied as the charter of the Playground does not permit of the use of the baths by adults.

A communication was received from H. W. Groom, Secretary of the Mission Propotion Association requesting the Playground Commission to install larger slides in Mission Park, same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that Mission Park was under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission, any changes in the equipment would be made by that board.

A communication from Frank Shelley, Director of North Beach Playground, requesting permission to take a three months leave of absence for the purpose of taking a temporary Civil Service Position, was granted.

On motion regular moved and carried the following resolution was adopte

WHEREAS the Playground Commission has expended the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars appropriated by the Board of Supervisors for the purchase of playground site in the Southwest Mission district, and approximately three thousand dollars additional, and

WHEREAS there still remains that parcel of land in the Northeast corner of Army and Hampshire Streets (122 X 122') which is necessary to complete the playground site, and

WHEREAS any delay in the purchase of this remaining parcel of land might entail an additional expenditure because of certain rises in property values in that vicinity, and

WHEREAS in the judgment of the Playground Commission the sum of $ 13,939 is necessary for the purchase of aforesaid property, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors be requested to appropriate the sum of $ 13,939 for the purpose of acquiring the aforesaid property and complete the purchase of a playground site in a very congested district.

Adopted by the following vote:

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Ayes: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs M. S. Hayward Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr Angelo J. Rossi, Mr John Mc Laren.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $5468 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank A Lawlor
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 31st 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Ocean Shore Realty Company dated October 24th, stating that a meeting of the Company had been called to adopt a resolution authorizing the sale of the northeast corner of Army and Potrero Avenue was received and ordered filed.

A communication from the Hind Estate Company asking that the transaction covering the sale of that piece of property on the north line of Army Street west of Potrero Avenue be closed as soon as possible was ordered filed.

A communication from the Secretary of the P.S.A.L. thanking the Playground Commission for placing the facilities of the department at the disposal of the Public Schools Athletic League during the recent tournament and field meets was ordered filed.

A communication from Mrs. Mary Blanchard asking information relative to the Playground Department of San Francisco was ordered filed.

Mr. O'Brien representing the City and County Attorney appeared before the Commission to explain that it would be impossible for the Department to acquire by purchase that parcel of land on Army Street 90 feet west of Potrero Avenue, (60 X 300) feet belonging to the Hind Estate Company, as the Mayor was one of the stockholders in the Company, and the Charter of the City and County expressly states that no official of the city and county may either directly or indirectly sell to the city. Mr. O'Brien further explained that condemnation proceedings would be necessary before the property could be acquired.

Therefore the following resolution was on motion regularly moved and carried adopted.

Resolved that the City and County Attorney be, and herewith is directed to commence condemnation proceedings against the Hind Estate Company for the purpose of acquiring that parcel of land on the north line of Army street 90 feet west of Potrero Avenue 60 X 300 '.

The Secretary was directed to forward a copy of the resolution to Mr. Geo. U. Hind President of the Hind Estate Company /

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Reporting on the transfer of the Ocean Shore Realty Company property (northeast corner of Army and Potrero Avenue) to the Playground Commission Mr. O'Brien stated that said transfer would be completed as soon as he was thoroughly satisfied present owners held a clear title to the property.

Mr. E. B. De Groot presented a plan for the development of Jefferson Square, it was the sense of the Commission that the work should commence as soon as possible.

On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. De Groot was directed to prepare plans and specifications for the work of development and the Secretary directed to procure bids forsame according to plans and specifications so prepared.

Mr. De Groot explained to the Commission that owing to the fact of directors being called to the colors and the leave of absence of Miss Ware taking effect since the last meeting of the Playground Commission the following temporary changes had been made.

Miss Margaret Foley to Hamilton, vice Miss Ware,
Miss Minnie Murthin to Jackson vice Miss Evans
Miss Evans to Southside vs Miss Haynes,
Miss Haynes to Presidio vice Miss Murthin,
Miss Welch to Mission vice Miss Foley,
Miss Grace Keefe to Substitute list vice Miss Welch,
Mr. J. J. Mooney to Jackson vice Mr. Harry Tiedemann
Mr. Harry Tiedemann, to North Beach vice J. Bustin,
Mr. J. Bustin to Southside vice E. Penaluna (U.S.A.)
Mr. Thomas Foster to Holly Park vice J. J. Mooney
Mr. Robert Morrison to substitute list vice T. Foster.
Miss Alice Mulligan to Richmond vice Miss Keefe.

On motion regularly moved and carried the temporary changes as reported were adopted.

Miss Imelda Cashin appointed Emergency Itinerant Director. On motion regularly moved and carried, appointment approved.

In discussing the standing of Miss Hulda Popper in the department Mr. De Groot was directed to call a meeting of the Play Committee to talk over the question of Miss Poppers remaining or leaving the department.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 5121.09 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 P.M.

Frank O'Brien

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 14th 1917.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 376 City Hall.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Miss Agnes C. Regan.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A communication was received from Mr. George U. Hind asking this Commission to facilitate the condemnation proceedings against the Hind Estate Company by the City and County Attorney for the purpose of acquiring for a playground site that piece of property on Army Street between Hampshire and Potrero Avenue. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. James K. Lynch, Governor of the United States Federal Reserve Bank, thanking the Playground Commission for their assistance in making the second liberty loan drive a success. Ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Penaluna had returned from the Army Camp at American Lake , it was the sense of the Commission that Mr. Penaluna receive his full salary for the month of November.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was agreed that the Basketball Games of the S.F.A.L. should be conducted on the North Beach Playground and that Mr. Penaluna be assigned official referee.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was agreed that this Department take over at once that portion of Jefferson Square bounded by Turk, Gough, Golden Gate Ave and Octavia Streets, and the Secretary directed to communicate with the Board of Park Commissioners notifying them of such resolution.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 745.43 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Frank O'Brien

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Miss Agnes C. Regan,
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Absent: Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A communication from the 29th and Castro Improvement club announcing that a committee from aforesaid club would appear at the meeting of the Playground Commission was ordered filed.

The committee composed of the following representatives of the Club appeared as announced: Mr. George Johnson 464 Valley Street Chairman Mrs. Margaret Lavern, 564-29th St., Miss Anna Miller, 592-29th St., and requested the members of the Playground Commission to take steps to assist the club to procure from the Board of Supervisors an appropriation sufficiently large to purchase that piece of property adjacent to the Kate Kennedy School for playground purposes. It was the sense of the members present that in the event of the Improvement Club presenting a petition to the Board of Supervisors this Commission would sanction such an appeal provided the property was suited to play round needs.

The report of Mrs. Fitzpatrick and Mr. Ehert stating that 34500 children had availed themselves of the privilege of the swimming tank at Nineteenth and Arkansas Streets during the season of 1917, was ordered filed.

A communication from Jose h O'Neill requesting the Playground Commission to pay for rent l of the property of the Swift Estate on Valencia Street south of Nineteenth, an amount equal to the taxes paid annually on said property. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to ascertain the amount paid in taxes it being the sense of those members present that a vote on the question should be taken when such information had been obtained.

A communication from the Mission Promotion Association asking why playground apparatus had not been installed on the property of the City adjacent to the Sheridan School, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that said property was under the Board of Education control the Playground Commission therefore had no jurisdiction in the matter.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 19,905.10 including 18900 for the purchase of property for the Potrero Playground were approved and ordered paid.

Adjournment 4:55

Frank O Lawler
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, December 12th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. B. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent:	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approvdd. And the actions taken at previous meeting were ratified as the actions of the majority board.

A communication from the department of public health confirming the opinion of the Playground Department that the water at the Excelsior Playground was unfit for drinking purposes ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to ascertain from the Department of Public Health just what steps should be taken to rectify this existing condition.

Mr. Lawler reported on the proposed valuation of the Swift property which is being used by the Playground Commission as a portion of Mission Playground, it was the sense of the meeting that an official communication should be requested from the Assessor in order that the information might be on file giving facts and figures. Mr. Lawler was directed to notify Mr. O'Neill of the action of the Playground Commission.

Bills for the month to the amount of $ [illegible].00 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the regular meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m..

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 26th 1917.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called for this day, the notices failed to record a quorum, therefore those members present sat as a minority Board all, actions taken to be subject to the approval of the Commission at the next regular meeting.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Miss Abigail Clary announcing her intention of resigning as play director on the Noe Valley Schoolyard Playground. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that said resignation would be accepted.

A communication was received from James Curly offering to pay to the Playground Commission the sum of $ 10.00 for the privilege of removing from the property of the Playground Commission in the South east Mission District, the old building thereon. The Secretary was directed to refer the matter to the Mayors office for settlement.

A communication from Miss Dorothy Welch, Director of the Mission Playground, requesting a leave of absence from the playground department was ordered filed and the leave of absence granted for a period of one year.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS MISS Dorothy Welch has applied for a leave of absence for a period of one year because of marriage and,

Whereas it has not been the policy of the Playground Commission to grant such leave of absence for the purpose of matrimony and

Whereas the husband of said Miss Dorothy Welch is at present in the service of the government and will continue in such service during the period of the war therefore

Be it Resolved that the request of Miss Welch be given special consideration and the leave be granted as requested.

The bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 1218.17 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 9th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. in the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. George E. Gallagher was on motion regularly moved and carred elected temporary Chairman, presiding until 3 p.m., at which hour the President took charge.

Present: Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. John Mc Laren.
Rev. D. O. Crowley (3:00 p.m.)

Absent Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The election of President being, according to the rules of the Playground the first order of business on the day of the first meeting in January, nominations were accordingly opened.

On motion of Mrs. Hayward seconded by Mr. Rossi, Rev. D. O. Crowley was nominated for the office of President.

On motion of Miss Regan m seconded by Mr. Gallagher nominations for President were closed, and Rev. D. O. Crowley unanimously elected President for the year 1918.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and the actions taken therein being the actions of the minority meeting, were on motion regularly moved and carried adopted as the actions of the majority board.

A communication was received from Mr. John Ginty, Assessor, City and County stating that pi ce of property occupied by the Playground Commission on Nineteenth and Angelica and belonging to the Swift estate was valued at $ 7.650. The Secretary was directed to communicate with Mr. O'Neill representing the Swift Estate company, stating that the Playground Commission is willing to pay the taxes on the above valuation Viz: $ 175.00 per year, in monthly installments of $ 14.60 provided such agreementmects with the approval of the Swift Estate.

A communica tion was received from Mr. E. C. Levey, residing on Eighteenth Ave near the Richmond Play ound, requesting that a wire fence be erected on top of the present wooded fence which marks the southern boundary of the Richmond Playground, to prevent balls from dropping in the neighboring yards. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that a wire fence would be erected as soon as practicable.

A communication from the State Board of Health containing a resolution granting the Playground Commission permission to operate the Swimming tank at the North Beach Playground was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Mr. De Groot reported the following appointments made on recommend tion of the Play Committee: Miss M.C. Fox to Mission vice Miss Welch Miss Myrtle Ewing to Substitute vice Miss Keefe.

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The Play Committee reporting on the needs of the department stated that in their opinion the work of Miss Popper was not entirely satisfactory, on motion regularly moved and carried the report of the committee was accepted as presented, and the Play Committee given full power to act.

Mr. Milton Clark of the Board of Works appeared before the Playground Commission to state that the the Bureau of Architecture of the City and County was ready and willing to make all plans and specifications for work contemplated by the Playground Department. Such pland and specifications to be prepared without expense to the Commission.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 416.78 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 22nd 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission, President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Haywood, Miss Agnes G. Regan Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. John Mc Laren
Absent:	Mr. Marshal Hale Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A letter of thanks from E. C. Levey, 18th Avenue, relative to the erection of a wire extension over the fences now existing on the southerly line of Richmond Playground, was ordered filed.

A communication from the Hind Estate Company asking information relative to the progress being made in the condemnation proceedings of the Army Street property ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same giving the desired information.

A communication was received from Mr. E. B. De Groot requesting leave of absence for the period of the war was ordered filed, and the following resolution adopted.

WHEREAS the International War Work Council of the Y. M. C. A. have requested the services of Mr. Edward Burton De Groot for emergency service in overseas war work, Therefore be it

RESOLVED that permission be and is hereby granted Mr. De Groot to be absent on leave from January 25th 1918 until the end of the war.

Mr. De Groot further recommended that in as much as he was obliged to leave the department temporarily, he would suggest that Mr. Lawler occupy the position of Superintendent and Secretary with Miss Hagan as assistant, that such additional office help be employed as would be necessary to permit all the time possible to be devoted to the supervision of the playgrounds. Also that Mr. Ray Daugherty be transferred to the pay roll of the Board of Education commencing February 1918.

The report was adopted as presented and the recommendations contained therein on motion regularly moved and carried approved.

Mr. John Mc Laren Chairman of the grounds committee presented plans for the field house to be erected at Jefferson Square. On motion regularly moved and carried the plans were accepted and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. Milton Clark of the Board of Public Works requesting that plans and specifications for the proposed building should be prepared by the Board of Works without cost to the Playground Commission.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to 4933.13 were approved and ordered paid.(Current expenses $ 350.47, Salaries 3419.66 Schoolyards 165.00 Labor$998.00)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15

Playground Commission,

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 6th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called for this day, the notices failed to record a quorum therefore those members present sat as a minority board all action taken tobe subject to the approval of the Commission at the next regular meeting.

Present: Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Absent: Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Marshal Hale.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A communication was received from Mr. John S. Drum, State Director for Northern California ---------, United States Government War Savings Committee, asking the cooperation of the Playground Department in assisting the Government to raise ten million dollars in War saving certificates. The Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the Playground Department would give any assistance in its power to help the sale of War Saving Certificates.

A communication from the Board of Park Commissioners of Louisville Kentucky, asking for detailed information relative to construction and operation of a swimming tank, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same giving any information on file which might be of benefit to the Louisville Board.

A communication was received from Mr. Frederick Churchill, Secretary of the Board of Public Works, stating that the Bureau of Architecture would prepare without cost to the Playground Commission plans and specifications for the field house to be erected in Jefferson Square playground.

The acting Superintendent, Mr. Frank A. Lawler reported that in his judgment the new baseball diamond at Southside should be sown in grass. On motion regularly moved and carried Mr. Mc Laren was appointed with Mr. Lawle for the purpose of making recommendations as to the needs of Southside play round in general and the sowing of the diamond mentioned, in particular.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $39.31 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:48 p.m.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, February 20th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren.
Absent:	Mr. Marshal Hale, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the minority meeting were approved as read and the actions taken at such meeting incorporated as being the actions of the majority meeting.

A communication from Mrs. Edith F. Mitchell, granting permission to the Playground Commission to construct a wire guard on the fence of Richmond Playground seperating her property from that of the Playground Commission, on Eighteenth Avenue and

A similar communication from Mrs. E. Hanselmann granting permission for the construction of a wire guard on the fence dividing the Playground from her property on Nineteenth Avenue, was received and both communication ordered filed.

A telegram from E. B. De Groot notifying the Playground Commission of his safe arrival in New York and expected departure for France in the near future was read and ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. E. G. Off Assistant Manager of the Fairmont Hotel asking the Playground Commission to install playapparatus in Huntington Park was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply thereto stating thatthe above mention park is under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission any action therefore taken along those lines would emanate from that Board.

A communication was received from Mr. Joseph O'Neill, agent for the Swift property occupied by the Playground Commission and located on Nineteenth and Angelica Street, asking that the monthly rental of said property be fixed at fifteen dollars per month, tenancy to be from month to month. On motion regularly moved and carried the rental of said property was fixed at fifteen dollars per month and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. O'Neill accordingly.

A communication was received from Mr. C. F. Pittman, Secretary of the Mission Promotion Association asking that the land adjacent to the Sheridan School be taken over by the Playground Commission for the purpose of operating and developing same as a playground. The letter was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the property in question is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education.

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A communication from J. S. Dunnigan clerk of the Board of Supervisors stating that budget estimates for the fiscal year 1918-19 were to be filed with the Board of Supervisors not later than March 1st 1918, was ordered filed. On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to prepare budget estimates for the Playground Commission, such estimated to be presented to a special budget committee of the Playground Commission on Monday February 24th 1918 at 9:30 a.m.

The Acting Superintendent presented the following report:

As directed by the Playground Commission at the last meeting, I have visited Southside Playground with Mr. Mc Laren for the purpose of ascertaining the needs of that ground.

Your committee would recommend that the outhouses consisting of the gymnasium and work shop should be torn down and that the new baseball diamond be sown in grass.

In addition to these recommendations I would suggest that the partitions in the field house be removed as far as is practicable, making one large room where folk dancing and kindred indoor work may be developed.

The truck garden is ready for planting and I would suggest that the children commence work as soon as possible.

On visiting Spring Valley Playground on Tuesday morning, I found the gates unlocked, the door of the work shop and the directors office unlocked, the oil stove burning, and no one in charge, after waiting twenty minutes for the return of the caretaker I went to hunt him up and found him in a neighboring saloon. This being the second offence the man having been previously warned, I immediately discharged him.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Superintendent was accepted as presented and the actions and proposed actions contained therein a roved.

The Superintendent was further directed to advertise for approximately three thousand yards of black Mission Loam, top dressing to be applied to the grassing of the new baseball diamond at Southside Playground.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 778.38 Labor ($ 521. 5, bills 256.63) were approved and ordered paid.

Ther being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

Frank Ward

Secretary.

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San Francisco, February 25th 1918.

SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Budget Committee of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 10:00 a.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 376 City Hall, President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, Miss Agnes G. Regan.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following budget was adopted, to be presented to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisor as an appropriate budget for the fiscal year 1918-19.

The Budget Committee further recommended that the salary of the Director at Holly Park Playground should be eliminated and that Holly Park control should be turned over to the Park Commission in its entirety.

SALARY SCHEDULE

ADMINISTRATION				
Secretary, Acting and Advisory Superintendent			$ 2700.00	
Assistant Secretary, Supervisor Girls Work			2100.00	
Foreman			1440.00	
Office Assistant			900.00	$ 7140.00
EXCELSIOR				
Director	(Boys)	100.00	1200.00	
Director	(Girls)	105.00	1260.00	
Gardener		90.00	1080.00	3540.00
HAMILTON				
Director	(Boys)	110.00	1320.00	
Director	(Girls)	105.00	1260.00	
Gardener		90.00	1080.00	
Caretaker		93.00	1116.00	4776.00
JACKSON				
Director	(Boys)	110.00	1320.00	
Director	(Girls)	105.00	1260.00	
Gardener		90.00	1080.00	
Caretaker		80.00	960.00	4620.00
MISSION				
Director	(Girls)	4-95,8-105	1220.00	
Director	(Boys)	requested	1200.00	
Gardener			1080.00	3500.00
NORTH BEACH				
Director	(Boys)	110.00	1320.00	
Director	(Girls)	105.00	1260.00	
Gardener		100.00	1200.00	3780.00
PRESIDIO				
Director	(Girls)	100.00	1200.00	1200.00
RICHMOND				
Director	(Girls)	95.00	1140.00	
Director	(Assistant)	4-75, 8-85	980.00	
Gardener		90.00	1080.00	3200.00
SPRING VALLEY				
Director		95.00	1140.00	
Caretaker		80.00	960.00	2100.00
SOUTHSIDE PLAYGROUND				
Director	(Boys)	8-90, 4-100	1120.00	
Director	(Girls)	105.00	1260.00	
Gardener		90.00	1080.00	
Caretaker		90.00	1080.00	4540.00
NORTH BEACH BATH HOUSE				
Swimming Instructor		9-100	900.00	
Assistant Director		9-50	450.00	1350.00
				$39745.00
				$39746.00

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BROUGHT FORWARD				$ 39746.00
MISSION BATH HOUSE				
Swimming Instructor	9-100	900.00		
Assistant	9-50	450.00		1350.00
ITINERANT DIRECTORS				
Two Women				
One Man	@ $ 75.00			2700.00
JEFFERSON PLAYGROUND				
Director (Boys)	95.00	1140.00		
Director (Girls)	90.00	1080.00		
Gardener	90.00	1080.00		
Caretaker	90.00	1080.00	4380.00	$ 48176.00

EXTENSIONS.

SOUTHEAST MISSION PLAYGROUND				
Director (Boys)	95.00	$ 1140.00		
Director (Girls)	90.00	1080.00		
Gardener	90.00	1080.00		
Caretaker	90.00	1080.00	$ 4380.00	
One Itinerant	75.00	900.00	900.00 /	$ 5280.00

MAINTENANCE

Materials			
Paints oils and lead	$ 1000.00		
Hardware	400.00		
Sand	250.00		
Cement	70.00		
Glass	250.00		
Seed	60.00		
Tanbark	300.00		
Lumber	1000.00		
Tape	50.00	3380.00	
Supplies			
Janitor	500.00		
Auto and Tires	600.00		
Play	6000.00		
Drugs	600.00		
Bath House	400.00		
Flags	175.00		
Hose	200.00	8475.00	
Heat, Light and Water		6000.00	
Services other than personal			
Garbage	220.00		
Laundry	2500.00		
Towel Service	125.00		
Piano	75.00		
Car fare phones etc	100.00		
Disinfectant	100.00		
Plumbing	600.00		
Incidentals	200.00	3920.00	
Teaming		1000.00	
Labor		15000.00	
SCHOOLYARD PLAYGROUNDS			
Salaries of twenty directors at $ 250.00 per year		5000.00	
PURCHASE OF LAND			
Remaining portion of Southeast Mission		15000.00 /	$ 57775.00

IMPROVEMENTS

Southeast Mission Playground			
Field House	$ 8000.00		
Surfacing	3000.00		
Courts	2000.00		
Apparatus	2500.00		
Incidentals	1000.00		
Fence and Gates	4000.00		20,500.00
EXTENSION			
Field House	6000.00		
Surfacing	1000.00		
Courts	2000.00		
Apparatus	2000.00		
Incidentals	1000.00		
Fence	3750.00		15750.00

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Buaget estimates continued.

SUMMARY.

Salaries	$ 48176.00
Salaries (Extensions)	5280.00
Salaries (Schoolyards)	5000.00
Maintenance	57775.00
Purchase of land	15000.00
Improvements	36250.00
	$147481.00

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 6th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley Presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Absent: Mr. Marshal Hale
Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. P. J. Herman representing the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club appeared before the Commission requesting permission to hold a Spring Festival on Funston Playground on May 1st 1918. Mr. Herman was told by the Commission that in as much as Funston Playground was still under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission that board would be the proper one to address for such permission.

A committee from the Noe Valley Improvement Club with Mr. James H. Riley Chairman appeared before the commission to present a petition for a playground in the Noe Valley District. It was the sense of the meeting that this Commission would approve the acquisition of a playground site in the Noe Valley District but would not go on record as selecting the site imposed in the petition.

The Budget Committee presented the following estimate of expenditures for 1918-19.(see page 351.52 and 53) which on motion regularly moved and carried were approved with the amendment that the items contained in last years budget for the improvement of Funston should be incorporated in this years budget as follows:

FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF FUNSTON PLAYGROUND

Director of Boys	$ 95.00	1140.00		
Director of Girls	90.00	1080.00		
3 Gardeners	90.00	3240.00		
1 Caretaker	90.00	1080.00	$ 6540.00	
Improvements and Maintenance		3600.00	3600.00	
Water		8000.00		
Field House		3000.00		
Surfacing		2000.00		
Courts		2500.00		
Apparatus		1000.00		
Incidentals		4000.00	20500.00	$ 30640.00
Fence and Gates				

On motion regularly moved and carried the salary of Acting Superintendent and Secretary, (Frank A. Lawler) was raised to $ 225.00 per month commencing March 1st 1918, and the salary of the Assistant Secretary(Miss M. P. Hagan) was raised to $ 175.00 per month commencing March 1st 1918.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to investigate the yard of the Winfield Scott School to determine the advisability of utilizing same as a play round. If possible to have t is yard opened as a playground on March 15th 1918.

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On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to advertise for bids for the filed house to be erected at Jefferson Playground as soon as plans and specifications were received from the office of the City Architect.

Bids for the delivery of loam at the Southside Playground were received there being but one bid from the P. J. Holland Company and the price of $ 1.75 per cubic yard being deemed excessive, all bids were rejected and the Secretary directed to receive new figures. The Secretary was further directed to return the certified check received from Mr. P.J. Holland, Company.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to have a new charter amendment drawn up providing for succession in office of Playground Commissioners.

A communication was received from James Rolph Jr., Mayor, City and County of San Francisco, announcing that Professor William Bennett Munro, Ph D. of Harvard University would address Municipal Employees on "Why we are at war and the importance of victory". Ordered filed and the Secretary directee to acknowledge receipt of same.

A communication from G. C. Baker, Secretary Y.M.C.A. Marion, Ohio asking for any printed literature on playgrounds which might be available was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward all such literature.

A communication was received from D. A. White, Chief of Police of San Francisco suggesting that the Playground Commission take steps to acquire the Ingelside Golf Links, to be used as a public course, ordered filed. On motion regularly moved and carried the following committee was appointed to investigate the possibility of acquiring the land : Mr. John Mc Laren and Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

The Superintendent requested an investigation of the loss of Mrs. T.P. Gales purse from Jackson Playground, and on motion regularly moved and carried the matter was referred to the Play Committee for investigation and report at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date were approved and ordered paid as follows: $ 56.40.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank A. Lewis

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 20th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 376 City Hall.

Present: Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Rossi, Miss Agnes G. Regan.

Absent Mr. Marshal Hale,, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

In the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley, President of the Commission Mr. Angelo J. Rossi was elected temporary chairman.

A communication was received from Mr. Fred. W. Locke, Director of Public Welfare Grand Rapids Michigan asking information relative to what we are doing for children on the playgrounds in the line of physical training. Same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same giving the information desired. The Secretary was further directed to refer the communication to Miss Hagelthorne, in order that she might reply stating what is being done in the schools in the same line of work.

A communication was received from Mr. M. L. Welch Secretary of the Noe Valley Improvement Association asking that the Playground Commission include in this years budget an item for a playground in the Noe Valley District. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating thatthe budget estimates for this year (1918) had been submitted to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

Communications were received from Mr. J. J. Mooney, and Mr. Robert B. Morrison, stating that they had been called to the Naval Reserve and requested leaves of absence for the period of their servicesame ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that such leave had been granted.

A communication from Mr. T. J. Flynn, 1295 Dolores St., San Francisc asking that the playground Commissinn improve the property on Sacramento Street between Baker and Lyon, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the matter had been referred to the Grounds Committee of the Playground Commission for investigation

Bids for the construction of a filed house in Jefferson Square were received and opened as follows.

Monson Brothers	$ 6137.00
J. Sparge.	5825.00

On motion regularly moved and carried the bid of Mr. Spargo was declared the lowest bid and accepted as same, subject to the approval of the City Architect.

The removal of the handball courts on the Southside Playground from their present position to the Harriett Street side of the ground was referred to the Play Committee.

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The Superintendent was authorized to sell the junk and old buildings at Southside Playground. He was further authorized t make changes in the working force of the department subject to the approval of the President.

Mrs. M. S. Hayward was appointed a committee of one to investigate the need of purchasing fixtures for Southside Playground, also to purchase the trunks and suits, towels etc., necessary for the bath houses during the coming season.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to purchase the loam needed for Southside Playground at the price of $ 1.00 per yard, subject to the approval of Mr. John Mc Laren.

Bids and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 689.11 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank A Lowe.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 23rd 1918.

SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, temporary Chairman, for the purpose of considering the bids received for the field house to be erected at Jefferson Square playground.

Present:	Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. George E. Gallagher, Mrs. M. S. Hayward.
Absent:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John Mc Laren, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Marshal Hale.

In discussing the bids received it was the sense of the meeting it was the sense of the meeting that the plans were too elaborate in detail and called for the expenditure of more money than the Commission felt justified in spending, therefore on motion regularly moved and carried the following resolution was adopted.

That the contract could not be awarded because of reasons above stated, and that Mr. Rossi should take up with the City Architect the matter of simplifying the plans.

Frank A Lowe.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 3rd 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. Mc Laren.

Absent : Mr. Marshal Hale (Resigned.)

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Minutes of the special meeting were read and approved and the actions taken therein considered as the acts of the majority of the Commissi

A district committee with Mr. Towers Chairman, appeared before the Commission requesting the investigation of Glen Park as a Playground site. It was the sense of those present that the meeting should adjourn upon the completion of regular business for the purpose of investigating the proposed site.

The Chairman announced the resignation of Mr. Marshal Hale as a member of the Playground Commission, and the Secretary was directed to forward to Mr. Hale the following resolution.

Whereas because of appointment as Manager of the Pacific Division of the American Red Cross, Mr. Marshal Hale resigns as a member of the Playgrou COmmission, therefore be it

Resolved that we the members of the Commission offer our congratulations to Mr. Hale on his appointment to so important a work in the countryÐs service, and that we express our regret at the loss of so efficient a member be it further

Resolved that we give to Mr. Hale a vote of thanks for his generous services and copy entered to the records of the Commission and be it further

Resolved that the resolution as spread on the minutes and having been so incorporated a copy be forwarded to Mr. Hale.

A communication was received from Mr. Bryon Mauzy, President of the Oriental Improvement Association stating that playground be provided for the children of the Chinese quarter of San Francisco. Same referred to a special committee, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, and Mr. John Mc Laren, for investigation and report at the next meeting of the Commission.

Applications from M. B. Phelan, and James D. Graham, for the position playground directors in the department have been referred to the Play Comm.

A schedule of games has been received from Mr. Ray Dougherty, and ordered filed, the Secretary directed to respond in writing that all games scheduled for children on the playgrounds must be programmed for Sunday afternoons.

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A communication from James E. Dunnigan asking that an estimate of expenditures on the proposed playground site in the Southeast Mission District be forwarded to the Education Parks and Playground Committee of the Board of Supervisors, ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to forward the information requested.

A communication from the Park Commission (James De Succa, Sec.) stating that above mentioned Board unanimously accept the return of Holly Park Playground.

The Superintendent reported that the shacks at Southside Playground had been sold for Three Hundred Dollars, and that the field was being fertilized

That the summer schedule of hours as per the outline contained herein had become effective on April 1, 1918.

Hours.

School days

Jackson, Southside, Excelsior, Hamilton, North Beach — Women Directors 12m to 5:30 p.m. Men Directors 2 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Mission, Spring Valley — 2 p.m. to 7:30

Presidio — 12 m to 7 p.m.

Richmond — Director 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Assistant Director 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Saturday and other school holidays

Jackson, Southside, Excelsior, Hamilton, North Beach — 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Lunch Hour Women Directors 11 a.m. to 12 m Men Directors 12 m. to 2 p.m.

Mission, Spring Valley, Presidio — Director in charge from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Lunch hour 12m to 1 p.m.

Richmond — Director 2p.m. to 8 p.m. Assistant Director 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Sunday

Jackson, Southside, Excelsior, Hamilton, North Beach — Women Directors 11 a.m to 7 p.m. Men Directors 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Directors to have one hour off for lunch during hour of least attendance on grounds Asst. Director may not be absent for lunch at the same hour. The asst director will be held responsible for satisfactory arrangement of the lunch hour.

Mission, Spring Valley, Presidio — Directors in charge from 11p.m. to 7 p.m. Lunch hour 12m to 1 p.m.

Richmond — Director 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Assistant Director 9 a.m to 2 p.m.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Superintendent was received and the action outlined therein approved.

The Superintendent requested permission to promote the Spring Festivals for the Playgrounds, this requested on motion regularly moved and carried was granted and the Superintendent empowered to promote suitable prizes for the same as usual.

The Superintendent was instructed to fence the Bryant and Harrison Street sides of Southside Playground.

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Mr. George Duffy and Mr. Walter Johnson were temporarily appointed swimming instructors at the Mission and North Beach Bath Houses respectively Mr. J. A. Ebert transferred to Southside Playground as director.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date were approved and ordered paid amounting to 982.94

Frank O. Lawler

Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 17th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission President Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. M. S. Hayward,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The application of Miss F. Stockton Reed, and letter of Dr. Hunter which accompanied same were ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. R. E. Mc Cord asking for leave of absence from the department for the period of the war, to enable him to enter the service of the Government in France, was ordered filed and the leave granted as requested.

A communication was received from Mr. Elva C. Crenelius, Librarian of the Teachers Library of St. Louis asking for report of the Playground Department for the years 1915,16, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward all information possible.

A communication was received from the National Laundry Company giving new prices for the work to be done in the Bath Houses, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with the laundries throughout the city stating that sealed bids would be received in the office of the Commission and the Secretary was directed to award the contract to the lowest bidder.

A requisition was received from Mr. T. Donohue of the Mission Park asking for pipe for eight baby swings. Same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. Donohue stating that the apparatus in Mission Park is now under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission, therefore the requisition will not be honored.

Mr. Mc Laren Chairman of the Grounds Committee reported that the Playground site on Waverley Place, Sacramento and Clay Streets selected by Mr. Byron Mauzy, Chairman of the Original Improvement Association, for a playground for Chinese children, was too small and not suitable for playground purposes, the Secretary was directed to so notify Mr. Mauzy.

Mr. Mc Laren further reported [illegible] task of improving the California Womens Club on Sacramento Street [illegible] extensive at this time, but advised the repairing of the fence enclosing the property. The report filed and the Secretary directed to proceed with the repairs as outlined by Mr. Mc Laren.

Rev. D. O. Crowley Chairman of the Committee appointed to investigate the Glen Park Property reported that this would not desirable piece of property for playground purposes. The Playground Commission went on record

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as favoring the securing of Glen Park Property. Mr. George E. Gallagher and Mr. John Mc Laren were appointed a committee to confer with the Education Parks and Playground Committee of the Board of Supervisors in the matter.

New plans and specifications for the field house at Jefferson Square Playground were presented by the City Architect, and approved. The Secretary was directed to advertise for bids, same to be received by the Commission on Wednesday, May 1st 1918.

The acting Superintendent presented a request that Miss Sheffield be granted permission to hold the Swimming meet at Mission Baths, he also requested that permission be granted Miss Sheffield to use Mission Baths on Thursdays commencing May 1st, for the High School Girls. On motion regularly moved and carried both requests were granted.

The acting Superintendent further reported that George De Campos had been temporarily appointed director at Excelsior Playground.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 1049.34 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Frank A Lowden

Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 30th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was clledto order this day at the hour of 3:00 p.m., in the absence of the President, Rev. D.O. Crowley, Mr. Geo E. Gallagher wasappointed temporary chairman.

Present:	Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,n Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Absent:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John Mc Laren.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Miss Bertha Bruckman University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio asking information relative to the status of the San Francisco Playgrounds, ordered filedand the Secretary directed to forward the information requested.

A communication from Mrs. Jane C. Miller, State Normal School Santa Barbara recommending Miss Ruth Cantell for a position as Playground Director in the San Francisco, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same.

A communication from Miss Alice Griffith recommending Miss L. Reed for a position as Play Director in the San Francisco Playgrounds was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to respond to same.

A communication from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan announcing a meeting of the Education Parks and Playground Committee of the Board of Supervisors was ordered filed.

Applications from Miss Susie Conway, Grace D. Keefe, E. A. Klein and Miss Ruth Cantell, for work on the playgrounds during the vacation period of regular directors were ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Mr. Healey and Mr. Mc Inerney appeared before the Playground Commission asking that the property adjacent to the Kate Kennedy School be developed As a Playground. It was the sense of the meeting that this particular property is absolutely unfitted for playground purposes and the Commission wish a record so entered on the minutes.

Mr. Wellington of the Oriental Improvement Association appeared before the Commission in the interest of that piece of property on Sacramento, Clay, Stockton Streets and Waverly place. Mr. Wellington was referred to Mr. John Mc Laren, who was appointed on a special committee to investigate that particular piece of property.

Bids for the washing at the Mission and North Beach Swimming Tanks were received and opened as follows:

Sterling Laundry: Suits 10cents, Trunks 5 cents and towels 1cent
National Laundry " 3 " " 2 " " 1 "

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to award the contract to the lowest bidder.

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A communication from R. J. Sands 1906 Baker St., addressed to the Board of Supervisors and forwarded to the office of the Playground Commission relative to the Former California Womens Hospital Site on Sacramento Street was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Sands of the action taken at a previous meeting of the Playground Commission regarding said property.

At 3:30 p.m. the Chairman announced that all bids for the field house at Jefferson Square Playground had been received , any bids arriving later would not be accepted the time for receiving same having been named from 3:00 to 3:30 p.m.

Opened and read as follows:

	General	Unit A -	Unit B -	Unit C-	Unit D.
Elmer Carlson	$ 4900.00	$ 225.00	$260.00	$72.00	$150.00
D. W. Ross	3162.00	379.00	310.00 -	60.00	175.00
Percy J. Cole	3679.00	260.00	310.00 -	60.00	115.00
R. W. Moller	3110.00	177.00	296.00	-----	196.00
J. S. Hannah	3093.00	293.50	295.00	- 73.00	235.00
SchultzConst. Co.	2681.75	265.00	175.00	- 55.00	220.00
O. Monson	3187.00	240.00	297.00	65.00	175.00
I Heckenroth	2754.00	298.00	310.00	-46.00	162.00
R. Trost	3547.00	330.00	180.00	-65.00	125.00

Note. In Unit C the indication "-" means to deduct that amount.

The Schultz Construction Co. (Nils Schultz) were declared the lowest bidder On motion regularly moved and carried the contract was awarded to the lowest responsible bidder and a committee of Mr. Rossi and Mr. Lawler were appointed to investigate the status of the lowest bidder and if found responsible the contract to be awarded accordingly.

On motion regularly moved and carried bills and current expenses for the month to date were ordered paid as follows: $ One Thousand One Hundred and fifty Dollars (1150.00)

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 15th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren.

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. George J. Wellington of the Oriental Improvement Association appeared before the Commission asking that the acquisition of a playground site in the Chinese quarter be approved by this Board. After considering the question the Board voted to approve the acquisition and development of a playground site in the so-called Chinatown, provided the funds necessary for such purpose could be obtained.

Mr. R. J. Sands appeared before the Commission asking the Board to approve a petition of neighbors living in the vicinity of the California Womens Hospital site, wherein they have asked the Supervisors to appropriate the funds necessary for the improvement of above mentioned site as a play ground, This Board being of the opinion that such development is too costly at this time, would not approve such petition, the Board however went on record as favoring the acquisition of funds necessary to make the property safe to life and limb.

A communication was received from the Mayor relative the sale of thrift stamps, war saving stamps and certificates purchased by each employee of the Playground Department. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to furnish the information requested.

A communication from Mr. Hiram Hale expressing to Rev. D.O. Crowley and the members of the Playground Commission, their appreciation of the resolution passed by the Board on the occasion of Mr. Hales --- retirement, was ordered filed.

A communication from Miss Harriett Lewy requesting three months leave of absence dating June first, because of ill health , was ordered filed and the leave granted as above stated.

The applications for positions as Director of playgrounds, from Bernard J. Fitzgibbon, (Yale Graduate) C. W. Teubner (Stanford University) and Darell Daly(Santa Clara) were referred to the Superintendent.

A communication from Thos. F. Boyle, Esq., Auditor City and County asking information as to the activities included in the fund held on April 4th the exact proceeds of which were deposited with the City and County Treasurer, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to furnish the above information requested.

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A communication from the Board of Education enclosing a letter from Mr. Edwin B. Clark, Omaha Neb., asking information regarding a satisfactory surface for school playgrounds, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to furnish the information as far as possible.

A communication from W. H. Schnapp, of the General Electric Co., endeavoring to interest the Playground Commission in the purchase of that piece of property adjoining the California Womans Hospital Site on Clay Street side was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to respond to same, stating the position of the Commission.

A communication from Caretakers and Gardeners asking for an increase of salary, was ordered filed.

A communication from Swimming Instructors and Bath House Attendants asking for an increase in salary, was ordered filed.

A communication from several women directors in the department asking for an increase of salary to the extent of thirty dollars per month was ordered filed, and the acting secretary directed to write to Oakland, Seattle, Portland and Los Angeles, asking for information relative to the salaries said the playground directors in said cities, and also the number of hours devoted by the playground directors to their work daily.

Report on Field House at Jefferson Playground.

Rev. D. O. Crowley reported that responding to an urgent request from Fire Chief Murphy, to move the field house under construction in Jefferson Square, he had consulted the members of the Commission on the subject, and ordered the building removed to a point which insured absolute safety to the central fire alarm station in case of fire.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 1,83.58 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:00 p.m.

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Acting Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 29th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 376 City Hall. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. M. S. Hayward, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Henry B. Mills.
Absent:	Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication dated May 16th from His Honor James Rolph Jr., Mayor, asking that this department cooperate with the Red Cross, and subscribe as liberally as possible to the Red Cross Drive, was ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported that every employee in the department had subscribed at least a days pay and that Two Hundred and six dollars had been turned in to the Red Cross Headquarters as the subscription from the Playground Employees.

A communication from Miss Helen Campbell [illegible] information relative to the recreation center [illegible] furnished for boys and girls between the age of sixteen and twenty years was read and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to furnish the information requested.

The request of Miss Claire Byrne and Miss Margaret I. Foley for two weeks leave of absence without pay, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to grant said leaves at a time best suited to the interests of the department.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Harry May [illegible] the North Beach Playground in a filthy condition and that [illegible] under the influence of liquor, he [illegible] compelled him [illegible] the action of the Commission. On motion regularly moved and [illegible] suspension be permanent and the Superintendent directed to notify said employee that his services were no longer required.

In discussing the [illegible] of the Richmond and Spring Valley Playgrounds, it was the sense of the Commission that the [illegible] was of such a nature as to warrant their classification as Class "A" grounds. The directors therefore to receive the salary of Class "A" Directors.

Mr. Lawler further reported that Spring Festivals were held on all playgrounds during the month of May, and that activities and attendance were most satisfactory.

Mr. Pe[illegible] Director [illegible] Playground requested a leave of absence for the period of the war, [illegible] the services of the Government.

On motion regularly moved and [illegible] the request was granted.

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Mr. Lawler reported that Mr. Hal R. Hoobler was appointed temporarily in the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Penaluna, that Mr. William Mc Cormick had taken the place of Mr. Mc Cord, and Mr. E. Miller was working at Southside in the place of Mr. J. A. Ebert.

Arrangements have been made for the vacation of all playground directors, girls from the Normal School and other institutions throughout the state where play round work is taught, filling the vacancies. These vacations run conrurrently with the vacation of the public schools.

The Superintendent requested that the automobile belonging to the department should be given a thorough overhauling and painted. On motion regularly moved and carried the request was referred to Mr. Lawler, and Mr. Mills, with power to act.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

In discussing the request of directors for an increase of salary the Superintendent stated that comparison with the Oakland department showed that the directors in the above mentioned department worked a greater number of hours per week and received a smaller salary than the directors in the employ of the San Francisco Playground Commission.

The Secretary was directed to reply to directors stating that the schedule in effect in the department at the present time would remain unchanged. There would therefore be no increase in salary other than that governed by said schedule. The salaries of caretakers, gardeners etc. same.-

The question of the purchase of a piano for the Excelsior Playground was referred to Mrs. H. S. Haymond and Miss Hagen.

At the hour of 3:30 p.m. it was announced that further bids would be received [illegible] at Jefferson Square, as per advertisement.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to open all bids received which he did the figures being as follows:

Golden Gate Iron Works	$ 4790.00
Pacific Pound Construction Co.	$4842.40
Michael [illegible]	$5400.00
Folsom St. Iron Works	$4850.00
California Art. Wire Works	$6088.00

The contract was awarded to the lowest responsible bidder, on Mr. Lawler [illegible] Mr. Mills was instructed to advertise for bids for such [illegible].

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 10th 1918.

MEETING.

Notices for a meeting on July 10th 1918, failed to record a quorum, Those members present sat as a minority Board, all actions to be subject to the approval of the Board at its next regular meeting.

Present.	Rev. D. O. Crowley Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Henry B. Mills.
Absent	Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A communication from K. Unoura, of 650 Ellis Street asking information realtive to the San Francisco Playgrounds, and a copy of the latest report published by the department was read and ordered filed, the information having been previously forwarded by the Secretary. (Japanese American Daily Paper)

A communication was received from Mrs. M. G. Crane acknowledging the trubute paid the memory of Mrs. M. S. Hayward by the Playground Commission in the resolutions passed by the Board in Special session, and thanking the department in general for the floral offering . Ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. F. Boeken asking permission to erect,on the property of the Playground Commission on Potrero Avenue and Army Streets, a tenporary convenience station for the use of the employees of the Potrero Street branch of the Municipal line, was ordered filed. A committee composed of Mr. Lawler and Mr. Henry B. Mills was appointed to interview Mr. Boeken, and secure a sketch of the proposed station. If in the opinion of the committee the structure meets with their approval, and the authorities of the Municipal road agree to the conditions imposed, namely that said structure is to be of a temporary character, and is to be removed upon the request of the Playground Commission, then said committee may grant the permission requested.

A communication from William Cox forwarded from the office of the Mayor, asking that a place be provided in the vicinity of Fourteenth and Noe Streets where boys may play hand baseball and other games was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to answer same stating that Mission Playground on Nineteenth and Angelica Streets offered facilities for the enjoyment of all kinds of games., baseball included.

A communication was received from James J. Maher, of the Civil Service Commission asking permission to hold athletic tests of applicants for positions as motorman and conductors on the Municipal Railroads , on Southside Playground. Permission granted and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Maher accordingly.

Mr. Timothy Driscoll gardener and caretaker of Jackson Playground addressed a communication to the Commission stating his intention to resign from the Commission on account of being called to war work. Resignation accepted to date from July 1st 1918.

A communication from Miss Stella Harris requesting a transfer from Excelsio Playground to Presidio Heights Playground vice Miss Haynes, resigned, was referred to the Play Committee with power to act.

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The Superintendent reported that the baseball field at Southside has been entirely seeded, the handball court removed to the easterly side of the ground. The field house at Jefferson nearing completion and the concrete work for the fence completed.

In discussing the resignation of Timothy Driscoll, the Superintendent recommended the transfer of Charles Fowler from Mission to Jackson, allowing the swimming instructor to take care of the gardening and janitorial work at Mission. In view of the additional work his compensation to be raised. On motion regularly moved and carried the recommendation was accepted subject to investigation, The Increase of the Foremans salary to be considered at such time as a quorum would be present.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following changes made by the Superintendent were ratified.

Frank Walsh to North Beach vice James Collins discharged, Con Callaghan to Presidio and Richmond, vice Frank Walsh to North Beach. John Nolan to Excelsior vice Mike Chelan resigned. Claude D'or appointed caretaker at Southside, C. Steele appointed caretaker at Jackson vice J. Miller transferred to Jefferson.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following temporary appointments to the department were made regular. Miss Myrtle Ewing, substitute, Miss Alice Mulligan, assistant Director at Richmond, Miss Marie Fox, office assistant. According to the recommendations of the Play Committee.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Imelda Cashin was appointed temporary substitute in the department.

Mr. Statham according to the report of the Committee, is willing to sell the piano at Excelsior Playground to the Commission for the sum of $ 100.00 . The Secretary was directed to make said purchase.

The Superintendent reported that the attendance on the play rounds after 6 p.m. does not warrant keeping the grounds open. On motion regularly moved and carried he was instructed to close all grounds at 6 p.m.

The Superintendent reported that on daily visits to the schoolyard playgrounds he found the attendance generally very poor, never going over twenty and in some instances the number of children present being seven. Therefore the Bay View, Bernal, Visitacion, Glen Park, Grattan, and Francis Scott Key Schoolyard playgrounds have been closed. Mr. Lawler further reported that the attendance at the Redding was very unsatisfactory , if same did not improve he would with the permission of the Commission close the Redding on July 14th. On motion regularly moved and carried the closing of the above mentioned schoolyard playgrounds was approved and the Superintendent instructed to use his own judgment about the closing of Redding.

Bills for the month to date were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 29th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. Reverend D. O. Crowley, President presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Henry B. Mills
Mrs. F. C. Sanborn.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the minority meeting of the Playground Commission were read and the Secretary directed to incorporate therein the resolution adopted by the Commission lamenting the death of Mrs. M. S. Hayward, who had faithfully served the Commission from January 8th 1908, up to the time of her death. Resolution so incorporated.

All actions taken by the minority board were approved by the Commission and considered as the acts of the majority.

Mrs. F. C. Sanborn presented her credentials, from James Rolph Jr., Mayor of the City and County , as a member of the Playground Commission.

It was unanimously agreed that in future meetings of the Playground Commission would be called on the first and third Wednesday of each month.

A communication was received from Mr. John Reid City Architect asking that a demand be drawn in favor of Mr. E. W. Yount for a sum of $ 45.15 for services rendered in connection with work necessitated by the removal of the Field House in Jefferson Square to a location approximately two hundred feet east of the original location. The Secretary was directed to communicate with Mr. Reid asking for an itemized statement.

A communication from James De Succa Secretary of the Park Commission enclosing a copy of his reply to Supervisor James Mc Sheehy's request for benches for Funston Playground was ordered filed. Mr. John Mc Laren reported that the benches requested by Mr. Mc Sheehy were to be placed in Funston Square by the Park Commission, this report being submitted as a point of information only, Funston Square still being under the jurisdiction of the Park Board.

A communication from D. A. White Chief of Police, received in answer to the request of our Secretary that the Police Department pay particular attention to all playgrounds after closing hours, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to communicate with the Cheif of Police any time that he in his judgment might deem police protection necessary on any ground.

Miss Brenta Haynes requested a six months leave of absence basing her request on the fact that she was to marry an officer in the United States Navy, and because of unusual conditions now existing. The leave was granted as requested, on motion regularly moved and carried.

On motion regularly moved and carried the salary of Mr. Walter E. Johnson of Mission Playground, is fixed at $ 1620.00 per year. Mr. Johnson in addition to acting as Swimming Instructor is to have charge of the general upkeep and maintenance of both bath house and playground.

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The question of raise in salary for the Foreman Thomas Murphy was on motion regularly moved and carried referred to the Finance Committee with power to act.

The President Rev. D. O. Crowley announced that Mr. Henry B. Mills would act on the Play Committee vice Mr. Marshal Hale Chairman, and as a member of the Finance Committee.

That Mrs. F. G. Sanborn would act as a member of the Play Committee and also a member of the Finance Committee.

The Superintendent was directed to report to the Play Committee all schoolyards on which he deemed it advisable to maintain playgrounds during the school terms

On motion regularly moved and carried the site of the former California Women's Hospital was formerly returned to the Board of Education and the Secretary directed to so notify that Board.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to cooperate with the Board of Education in the matter of making the Glen Park Schoolyard better suited for playground activities.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Playground Commission hereby designate that portion of Jefferson Square recently transferred from the Park Board for play purposes " The Margaret S. Hayward Playground" in memory of Margaret S. Hayward of the Playground Commission.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 2597.98 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Frank A. Lewis

Secretary.

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were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned for the purpose of inspecting the property at the corner of Army and Potrero Avenues, to determine the best location for a convenience station, which the Municipal Railway had asked permission to build on said property. Upon investigation the Secretary was directed to communicate with Mr. Boeken Superintendent of the road stating said station might be erected, provided a suitable lattice was placed on front and side, structure to be at least twenty feet from property line, and building to be removed upon written request from the Playground Commission.

Frank A. Lewis

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 4th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. H. B. Mills, Miss Agnes G. Regan.
Absent:	Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mrs. F. L. Sanborn, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Mr. Charles Nelson, Lighting Committee of the Board of Supervisors, asking this department to conserve all light and power possible, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the request would be given all cooperation possible by the employees of this department.

A communication was received from Auditor Thomas F. Boyle advising the Playground Commission that he was holding demand No. 36696 drawn in favor of William Mc Cormick, for the sum of $ 50.00, on the ground that the city was renting automobiles from $ 30.00 to $ 40.00 per month, and he considered the charge of $ 50.00 exorbitant. On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was directed to take the matter up with the Chairman of the Finance .

A communication was received from Mrs. L. Shaw, Secretary of the Spring Valley Mothers Club, requesting that shrubs and greens be planted on the Spring Valley Playground. The letter filed and the Secretary directed to take the matter up with Mr. Mc Laren as to the advisability of planting, and tonotify Mrs. Shaw accordingly.

A communication was received from Mr. John W. Rogers, acting Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, asking if the Playground Commission could set aside the sum of $ 1957 to defray the cost of constructing sidewalks on the south side of Post Street between Steiner and Scott Sts, (Hamilton Playground,) Communication ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the Supervisors that this department has just funds enough to complete the construction work undertaken for the year 1918-19, and to maintain the department throughout the year, consewuently it would be impossible to set aside the sum requested.

A communication was received from Mrs. C. L. Ryan complaining about abuse of the property on Sacramento Street between Baker and Lyon Sts. known as the former California Women's Hospital Site. The communication ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mrs. Ryan the property is not under the jurisdiction of this department.

The Secretary reporting for the Finance Committee stated that this Committee decided that the salary of Mr. Thomas Murphy should be raised to $ 135.00 per month dating from August 1st 1918.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date mounting to

Frank B. Lane

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 25th 1918.

MEETING.

Notices having been forwarded for a meeting of the Playground Commission at 2:30 on September 25th 1918, failed to record a quorum.

Frank B. Lane

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 2nd 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Commissio President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. F. L. Sanborn, Miss Agnes G Regan, Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, and Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous regular meeting were approved as read.

The offer of Miss Julia Coffey Principal of the Emerson School tendering the use of a slide to this department was accepted and the Secretary directed to notify Miss Coffey of the action of the Board and to extend to her the thanks of the Commission.

A communication from Mr. Louis H. Mooser complaining of windows broken in property under his control adjacent to Mission Playground was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Mooser this department is not responsible for the damage done the property in question.

A communication from Mr. Boeken Superintendent of the Municipal Railway, department of Public Works, accepting the conditions of the Playground Commission regarding the construction of a convenience station on the property of this department at Army and Potrero Avenue, was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. H. D. Scott Athletic Director of the Horace Mann School asking this department to construct a handball court in the Mission Playground, same ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same stating that a handball court would be erected just as soon as the department could secure the funds necessary for such construction.

A communication was received from Mr. John Reid, Bureau of Architectu Board of Public Works, notifying the Commission that the Schultz Construction Company had completed the construction of the Jefferson Square Park Field House. Mr. Reid recommends that the work be accepted and that final payment be deferred until notices of the acceptance of the work had been published, and final adjustment of extra credits be arranged by the Bureau of Architecture. The Secretary was directed to notify the Schultz Contracting Company accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that the Civil Service Commission held examinations for physical tests of all applicants for the Police and Fire Department at Southside Playground on September 24th and 25th.

The Public Schools Athletic League made use of the facilities at Excelsior, Hamilton, Jackson, North Beach and Southside Playground, for the purpose of weighing all boys entered in the coming basketball tournament. The work was completed on September 20th, three days having been given to the boys.

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The Superintendent was instructed to close the Swimming Tanks for the season, when in his judgment the attendance did not warrant further operation.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent the Play Committee was authorized to work out a scheme whereby directors would have their holiday on alternate Saturdays and Sundays in place of the plan now in operation.

A committee composed of President Rev. D. O. Crowley and Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher was appointed to interview the acting Mayor, to take up with him the matter of purchasing the remaining portion of the southeast mission playground site, which is necessary to complete the purchase of the playground.

Bills and current expenses for the month of September amounting to $ 5516.31. were approved and ordered paid. (Maintenance $ 1141.21 Labor $ 881.40, Salaries $3415.00, Schoolyards $ 75.00).

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

Frank A. Edwards
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 6th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Henry B. Mills
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent Miss Agnes G. Regan
Mr. John Mc Laren.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The application of Mrs. Helen Joyner, for a position as playground director accompanied by a letter of recommendation from Mr. E. Rainey was ordered filed.

The application of Miss Olive Misley, a playground director from the Oakland department, was ordered filed.

A communication from the Committee on public accounting requesting information relative to requisitions used in this department was ordered filed.

A communication was received from P. H. Loftus, asking that his property be given better protection to prevent boys from the playground on Nineteenth Street from climbing the fence. He suggests a wire fence. Referred to the Superintendent with power to act.

President Rev. D. O. Crowley reported that he had visited all the playgrounds in the department and found the attendance good on all grounds. The President further reported the grounds to be in excellent condition.

Father Crowley also stated that he and Mr. Gallagher had visited the acting Mayor, and conferred with him on the possibility of acquiring that portion of the property necessary to complete the Potrero Playground site. Mr. Mc Laren stated that the property could be acquired if a reasonable figure could be secured.

On the recommendation of the Secretary it was resolved that in case of any director being absent because of illness, such time should be deducted from the annual winter vacation.

Mr. Rossi reported that laborers in the Park received Four dollars per day and gardeners Four dollars and fifty cent per day, On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved that Mr. Rossi's report as Chairman of the Finance Committee be accepted, and the wages of laborers and gardeners in the Playground Department be paid accordingly, said increase to date from November 1st 1918.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Secretary was given power to make all changes necessary for the opening of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground, as soon as the grounds could be ready.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of

Frank A. Edwards

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 1918.

MEETING.

Present.

Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Henry E. Mills.

Absent.

Mr. Geo. Gallagher.

Minutes.

Minutes of thepre vious meeting read and approved.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission # 376 City Hall. President D. O. Crowley presiding.

A communication was received from James Collins asking for reinstatement as caretaker on the North Beach Playground. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. James Lee of the War Camp Community Service asking this department to cooperate in every way possible in the campaign of the Victory Boys and the Victory Girls, ordered filed. The Secretary informed the Commission that this department had endeavored in every way to cooperate in the work as requested.

A communication was received from Milton Clark of the Bureau of Architecture of the Board of Public Works stating that the Golden Gate Iron Works had completed their work at Jefferson Square according to the plans prepared by the Bureau of Architecture. On motion regularly moved and carried final payment ordered.

The Superintendent reported that the Public Schools Athletic League had resumed the schedule and basketball was being played on North Beach, Southside, Jackson, Excelsior and Hamilton Playground daily. The Superintende further reported that the tennis tournament for girls had resulted in 121 entries. In view of this fact it was voted that a form of certificate of award should be printed, this certificate to be presented to winners in all playground tournaments.

Mr. George E. Gallagher suggested that the Playground Commission adopt a resolution asking the Board of Supervisors to purchase that piece of property in the block bounded by Potrero Avenue, Serpentine Avenue, Hampshir and Army Streets, necessary for the completion of the Potrero Playground site. It being impossible for Mr. Gallagher to be present his request was presented by the Secretary.

On motion regularly moved and carried the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved that the Playground Commission request the Board of Supervisors to acquire by purchase thatpiece of property not owned by the City and County of San Francisco in the block bounded by Potrero Avenue, Army Street, Serpentine Avenue and Hampshire Street. The Secretary was directed to forward a copy of same to the Board of Supervisors.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $ 1337.13, Salaries $ 2166.25, Labor 1957.05, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:55 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 18th 1918.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn,
Mr. H. B. Mills.

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A communication was received from the Playground and Recreation Association of America asking for a statement of the years work in the playground department of San Francisco, ordered filed and the Secretary reported that said information had already been forwarded.

A communication was received from William A. Miller of the Bernard Judea Company stating that he had not been allowed to use the indoor basketball court at Jackson Play round, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to investigate same and take such action as he deemed advisable.

The Play Committee after consideration made the following recommendations regarding the temporary assignment of directors: That Miss Ewing should be transferred from the Boys side of North Beach Playground to take charge of Jackson Playground, that she be given an assistant on Saturday and Sunday. That Miss Marie Fox be transferred to the Boys side of North Beach vice Miss Ewing, that Miss Popper be transferred from the substitute li to the Presidio Heights Playground, vice Miss Fox. That Robert Johnson be returned to Hamilton play round vice Honore Schabiaque, that Honore Schabiaqu services with the department terminate when said changes have been made. It being necessary to dispense with the services of one director.

On motion regularly moved and carried the report of the Play Committe was adopted as presented, and the Secretary directed to make such changes at the termination of the winter vacation period.

The Secretary reported that the Margaret S. Hayward Play round shoul not be opened until March 1st 1919, and further requested that the Play Committee visit the play round to determine the best policy to adopt regardin the operation of same for a boys or girls play round, or to determine whether or not the days should be alternated for boys and girls.

On motion regularly moved and carried the recommendation was adopted and the Secretary directed to make arrangements for the Play Committee to make the proposed visit, and to procure estimates for the installation of a toilet. Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 70.00 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

E. Frank McLaren

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 15th 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order thi day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission 376 Cit Hall at the hour of 2:30 p.m.

Present: Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Henry B. Mills Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. George E. Gallagher.

Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Order of Business.

This being the first meeting of the year 1919, the election of President for the year is the first order of business. Therefroe on motion regularly moved and carried the nomination of Presidential candidates was declared in order.

On motion made by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Henry B. Mills, Rev. D. O. Crowley was placed in nomination for President.

On motion regularly moved and carried nominations for President were declared closed and Reverend D. O. Crowley unanimously elected President, the Secretary directed to spread the results of said election on the minutes of the Commission.

A communication was received from Mr. Robert S. Morrison, attached to t the United States Naval Forces at Panama, wishing the members of the Playgroun Commission and the employees of the department the joys of a Happy New Year. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of said greetings expressing the thanks of the Commission to Mr. Morrison.

A communication was received from the Director of the Oakland Y.M.C.A. announcing a meeting of basketball referees and officials and inviting all those who were in any way interested in the administration of basketball schedules to attend said meeting at Oakland Y.M.C.A. Auditorium on Friday eveni January 17th. Ordered filed, the Secretary reporting that copies of the invitation had been forwarded to those employees of the San Francisco Playground Department most interested in basketball.

A communication was received from Mr. E. H. De Groot stating that he was ready to resume duties with this department as he serviced was no longer required with the "Forces over seas". Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. De Groot stating that it was the desire of the Commission that he resume duties at once.

Mr. Edward Rainey Secretary to the Mayor, forwarded to this department a communication from Mrs. Bush. regarding the location of ball facilities at Funston Square, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to answer same stati that Funston Square was in the hands of the Park Commission and any communication regarding same should be addressed to the Park Board.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved by the Playground Commission to reinstate, upon their return, any employee who has requested a leave of absence from the department to serve the country during the war.

The Superintendent reported that the remodeling of Southside Playground had been completed and the entire grounds are now ready for playground purposes.

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The Superintendent also reported that the Tennis Tournament for boys had been announced, entires for same to close on Friday January 25th on all playgrounds, play to commence on January 27th. The result of entires to be reported at the next meeting of the Commission.

Bills for maintenance amounting to $ 542.68 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p.m. for the purpose of visiting the field house at the Margaret S. Hayward Playground to determine the advisability of operating said playground for boys or girls. It being the intention of the Commission to open same on March 1st 1919.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 5th 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John Mc Laren, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher, Mr. Henry B. Mills, Mrs. F.G. Sanborn.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Miss Mary Harper, Magnolia Ark. asking for information regarding the equipment and management of Playground Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward the information requested.

A communication from the department of Physical Education of the Board of Education, announcing a series of classes on Monday and Tuesday evenings in the gymnasium of the Girls High School,(subjects of interest to playground directors) was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to communicate with playground directors informing them of said classes and stating they would be welcome to membership in same.

A second announcement from above mentioned department announcing the soccer schedule of the Public Schools Athletic League was ordered filed

A communication from the Board of Supervisors requesting that Budget estimates from all departments of the City Government be filed on or before March 15th, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare the preliminary budget estimates and to include therein the sum necessary for the improvement of Jefferson Square playground, according to plans to be prepared by Mr. E. B. De Groot.

A communication was received from Mr. Julian Scott Bryan, head of the Personnel Department of the National Recreation Association, stating that a list of available highly trained play round directors was on file in the office of the National Association, and that said list was at our disposal. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same thanking Mr. Bryan for the courtesy extended this department in making such offer.

The Secretary announced that the total entries in the boys tennis tournament had been received and numbered 250.

The Secretary further reported that the yard of the Burnal School had been remodeled and same opened as a schoolyard playground with Miss Majorie Thorne in charge.

The recommendation of the Secretary that screens be placed in front of the toilet entrances at Excelsior Playground, and on top of the fences at Mission Playground to prevent the balls from entering adjacent yards, was adopted and the Secretary directed to proceed with the work.

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Mr. De Groot reported that he had visited the playgrounds of the department and found them all in first class condition both as to up-keep and maintenance, he further complimented the office force on the manner in which Southside Playground had been developed.

The Play Committee recommended that the developed portion of the Margaret S. Hayward playground should be used exclusively as a boys playground, on motion regularly moved and carried the recommendation was adopted therefore the developed portion of above named play round is to be used exclusively for boys.

Bills abd current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 513.91 and salaries for the month of January amounting to $ 2330.01 and labor for the month of January amounting to 1899.15 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 P.M.

Frank A. Lauer
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 5th 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. John Mc Laren, and Mrs. F. C. Sanborn.

Absent: Mr. George E. Gallagher, Mr. Henry B. Mills.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Mrs. C. Bermingham, Secretary of the Spring Valley Mothers Club stating that new sand was needed in the sand box at the Spring Valley Playground. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same stating that as soon as the rain and inclement weather had passed the sand boxes on all play rounds would be re-filled.

In discussing the purchase of sand for the sand boxes in the department it was the sense of the Commission that the cost of beach sand and Lake Majella sand should be compared both as to value and relative value for playground use. The Secretary to report at next meeting which in his judgement best suited the needs of the department.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors asking the cooperation of the Playground Department for the benefit to be given for Mary Sandich injured by the City's Fire Apparatus on December 24th. It was the sense of the Commission that this department lend all aid possible for the success of said benefit and the Secretary directed to notify the Board of Supervisors accordingly.

A communication from the Height and Ashbury Improvement Association offering to the department a drinking fountain which now stands at Height and Hermonie Ave., and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to inspect same to determine whether or not it could be used in the department.

A communication was received from L. C. Lindeman 300 Melville Ave., Palo Alto, asking for a position as substitute director in the Playground department ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Leonora C. Mc Elroy stating her intention of resigning from the Bay View Schoolyard Playground, ordered filed and the resignation accepted.

In discussing the resignation the Secretary stated that it is impossible to secure directors for schoolyard playgrounds at $ 110.00 per month On motion regularly moved and carried it was resolved to raise the salary of schoolyard directors from $ 110.00 to $ 125.00 per month commencing March 1st 1919.

A communication was received from T. V. Bonnyman of the University of Pittsburg asking information as to the recreation system of San Francisco Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward such information.

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A communication was received from Mrs. L. Jones complaining that children are not supervised during the forenoon on Excelsior Playground. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mrs. Jones stating that play rounds are supervised between the hours of 12 and 5 daily and from 9 to five on Saturday and 10 to 5 on Sundays.

Mr. De Groot proposed that the Commissioners invite the Supv. to tour city to visit the playgrounds and familiarize themselves with the work which is being done. In considering this suggestion the members of the Commission present decided to visit all outlying districts in San Francisco and determine on such sites as they deemed advisable to add to the play round system

Bills and current expenses for the month of February amounting to $ 4225.46 were approved and ordered paid. (Maintenance $ 515.91, salaries ($ 2386.66, labor $ 1322.89).

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15.

Frank A Lonsdale
Secretary.

MEETING.

March 10th 1919.

Notice to Commissioners for a meeting on the above date filed to record a quorum.

Frank A Lonsdale
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 18th 1919.

MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 10 a.m. for the purpose of considering the budget for the coming fiscal year 1919 and 1920.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. Hery B. Mills.

Absent: Mr. George E. Gallagher, Mr. John Mc Laren, Miss A.C.Re

After a discussion and comparison of figures in previous years the following budget was unanimously adopted.

BUDGET ESTIMATE.

ADMINISTRATION			
	Secretary and Act. Supt.	$ 2700.00	
	Consulting and Adv. "	2000.00	
	Asst. Sec. and Supv.Act.	2100.00	
	Foreman	1620.00	
	Office Asst.	1020.00	
SOUTH END			
	Director of Boys	1200.00	
	Director of Girls	1200.00	
EXCELSIOR			
	Director of Boys	1200.00	
	Director of Girls	1140.00	
JACKSON			
	Director of Boys	1200.00	
	Director of Girls	1020.00	
NORTH BEACH			
	Director of Boys	1200.00	
	Director of Girls	1140.00	
HAMILTON			
	Director of Boys	1200.00	
	Director of Girls	1200.00	
PRESIDIO			
	Director	900.00	
SPRING VALLEY			
	Director	1200.00	
MISSION			
	Director	1140.00	
RICHMOND			
	Director	1140.00	
	Assistant Director	900.00	
SWIMMING INSTRUCTORS			
	Harbor End Baths	1140.00	
	North End Bath House	960.00	
	Bath House Assistants (Two)	900.00	
SUBSTITUTES			
	Supply Directors - 9-00 days @ 5.00	1440.00	(Boys)
	" " 7-00 " " 5.00	1120.00	(Girls)
	Emergency 18-00 " " 5.00	1440.00	vacation directors
SCHOLLMARD PLAYGROUNDS.			
	5 @ $ 60.00 per mo for 10 mo.		
	5 " 50.00 " " " " 2 "	1700.00	
MARGARET S. HAYWARD PLAYGROUND			
	Director	1200.00	
GARDENERS			
	7 men for 300 days @ 4.50 per day	9450.00	
GARDENERS			
	5 men for 300 days 4.00 " "	6000.00	
LABORERS			
	5 men for 300 days 4.00 " "	6000.00	
CARPENTER			
	1 man for 270 days 7.00 " "	1890.00	
PAINTERS			
	2 men for 270 days 7.00 " "	3780.00	$ 64410.00

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MAINTENANCE AND GENERAL UPKEEP

ATHLETIC SUPPLIES	$ 2600.00	
Auto Supplies	310.00	
Chemicals	400.00	
Cleaning Supplies	200.00	
Towel Service	120.00	
Laundry	1800.00	
Rubber Goods	225.00	
Contingents	1000.00	
Flags	140.00	
Auto Repairs and Tires	500.00	
Hardware	1000.00	
Paints and Oils	750.00	
Sand Lime and Cement	1000.00	
Lumber	1000.00	
Pipes and Fittings	150.00	
Glass	100.00	
Teaming	500.00	
Garbage Removal	250.00	
Water	6000.00	
Rent of Premises	525.60	
Equipment	250.00	
Gas and Electric	600.00	
Stationery and Printing	250.00	
Tan bark	350.00	
Carfare	40.00	
Screenings, Cinders, Rock	2000.00	$ 22060.60

EXTENSIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

POTRERO AVENUE PLAYGROUND SITE.		
Fencing	$ 5,500.00	
Field House	5,000.00	
Grading, Surfacing Water and Planting	6,500.00	
Enclosed Courts	4,000.00	
Apparatus	3,500.00	
	$ 24,500.00	
MARGARET S. HAYWARD PLAYGROUND		
Fencing	5,000.00	
Field House	3,500.00	
Grading	5,000.00	
Courts	3,500.00	
Apparatus	2,500.00	
	$ 17,500.00	$ 42000.00

The Secretary, Mr. Frank A. Lawler, was instructed to file with the Board of Supervisors for their consideration, the above budget as approved by the Playground Commission for the fiscal year 1919-20.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 12;05

Frank A. Lawler

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San Francisco. April 2nd 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m. President D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

Absent: Miss Agnes C. Regan.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The minutes of the special meeting of March 18th, called for the purpose of considering budget estimates for the fiscal year 1919-20, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Miss Mabel Strange asking information relative to the preparation necessary for a position as Playground Director. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to give the young lady the information requested.

A communication was received from E. W. Johnson of St. Paul, Minnesota, asking specific information relative to the programming in Playground Activities. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. Johnson outlining the policy adopted by this department for the regulation of sports, games, etc.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Public Schools Athletic League, announcing the dates for final games in the Soccer series. The announcement indicates that all games are to be conducted on the Playground fields. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors stating that budget hearings for various departments had been announced, the Playground Commission to appear before the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors on Tuesday April 8th at 11 a. m. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify all members of the Commission that such budget hearing had been announced.

A communication was received from Mr. George Duffey, swimming instructor at the North Beach Bath House asking for an increase in salary. Ordered filed.

A communication signed by eleven playground directors was addressed to the Commission asking for an increase in salary. Ordered filed and the request of both Playground Directors and Mr. Duffey Swimming Instructor, referred to a joint committee of the Finance and Play Committees of the Commission for consideration at a special meeting to be called at 10:00 a. m. Tuesday April 8th, 1919.

A communication was received from Charles Nelson, Chairman Telephone Committee of the Board of Supervisors, asking for the name and room number of each employee of the Playground Commission with headquarters in the City Hall, in order that the phone directory in the building may be completed. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to furnish the information desired.

A communication was received from the Native Sons Baseball league asking for the use of the baseball diamonds at both Southside and Jackson Playground. Ordered filed and the request forwarded to the directors on both grounds with instructions to make the best arrangements possible.

A similar communication was received from the League of the Sons Cadets Baseball league, and the request referred to the Playground directors with instructions to book as many games as possible.

A committee from the Glen Park District appeared before the Commission, Mr. John Towers, Chairman, asking the co-operation of the Playground Commission in securing for a playground site, that piece of property known as Glen Park. On motion regularly moved and carried the Commission endorsed the request, and the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Glen Park Improvement Association stating that the Playground Commission heartily approve of the acquisition of Glen Park by the City for playground purposes.

Supervisor McSheehy appeared before the Commission to state that he was in a position to assist this Board in securing the funds necessary for partial development of the California Woman's Hospital Site on Sacramento Street for playground purposes. Mr. McSheehy was advised that the site in question is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education, therefore the question of development of that particular property should be undertaken with the Board of Education.

The following resolution regarding the proposed playground site at the junction of Sloat Boulevard and the Great Highway was on motion

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regularly moved and carried adopted.

"WHEREAS the San Francisco Chronicle is advocating the locating and equipping of a playground for the children of the Mission, Western Addition, and Sunset Districts, at the junction of Sloat Boulevard and the Great Highway, and

Whereas, the site is ideally situated for such purpose

Therefore be it,

Resolved that the Playground Commission of San Francisco does heartily approve and endorse said movement and does hereby pledge its support to same, and further

Resolved That we request the Board of Supervisors to provide for a special appropriation of $25,000.00 in the budget allowance of 1919-1920 to start initial work on this proposed playground and be it further resolved

That we ask the co-operation of the Park Commission in this laudable object.

The Secretary was directed to forward a copy of the resolution to the Board of Supervisors and to the Secretary of the Park Comm.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $5484.56, including salaries and labor for the month of March were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further busines. the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:50 p. m.

Frank O. Lawlor

Secretary.

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San Francisco. April 15th 1919.

SPECIAL MEETING.

The Commission met in the office of the Playground Commission prior to adjourning to the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors for the purpose of taking up with the Finance Committee the budget estimate of the department for the year 1919-1920.

In discussing the requested raise of salary for directors it was the sense of the meeting that the Supervisors should be asked to allow a 5% raise of salary for directors,-the Playground Commission to apply same-if they in their discretion believed same should be allowed.

Frank O. Lawlor

Secretary.

Playground Commission

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 7th 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Miss A. G. Regan.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from the Mayor's office asking that this department assign as many employees as possible to the Liberty Loan Committee to work during the closing days of the drive, was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to make arrangements to permit as many playground directors as possible to work with the Committee, as requested.

A communication was received from the Committee on the "Reverend Observance of Good Friday," signed by John J. O'Toole, Secretary, asking that the employees of this department be permitted to attend services on Good Friday if they should desire. Ordered filed, and the Secretary reported that the playgrounds would be closed on Good Friday between the hours of 12 and 3 p. m.

A communication was received from Albert Morse, Principal of the Hamilton Evening School asking that the pupils of the aforesaid school be given permission to play baseball on Hamilton playground between the hours of 6:15 and 7 p. m. It was the sense of the meeting that it would be inadvisable to permit the playing of baseball on Hamilton Playground, and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. Morse.

A communication was received from S. M. Smith of the Idaho Technical Institute asking for information regarding the equipment of playgrounds. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to forward the information requested.

A communication from the Haight and Ashbury Improvement Association relative to the drinking fountain at Haight and Masonic Avenue, was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same.

A communication was received from James De Sunca, Secretary of the Park Commission, stating that the Park Board was willing to cooperate with this commission in the proposed playground at Sloat Boulevard and the Great Highway, and asking that the plans for the proposed ground be forwarded to the Park Commission. The Secretary was directed to reply to same stating that no plans had been prepared, but in the event of an appropriation being made, plans would be prepared and the Park Commission consulted for suggestions.

A communication was received from the Fire Department, asking permission to connect the swimming tank at Mission Playground with the fire system, ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same granting permission for such connection.

A communication was received from the Mission Promotion Association, enclosing resolutions of endorsement regarding the proposed Beach Playground.

A similar communication was received from the Haight and Ashbury Improvement Association. Both letters ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $1325.94 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p. m.

Frank C. Lewis

Secretary.

Playground Commission

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 21st 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at 2:30 p. m., President Rev. D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent: Miss Agnes G. Regan,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Geo. H. Gallagher.

Notices having been sent out for a meeting failed to record a quorum, therefore those members present sat as a minority board, all action taken to be subject to the approval of the Board at the next regular meeting.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. John McLaren forwarding to this office an application from Mr. Luther Evans of Seattle, same having been sent to the Park Commission. Mr. Evans is seeking employment as a Playground Supervisor or Superintendent. Application filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating that no vacancy existed at this time, but should one occur Mr. Evans application would be given consideration.

A communication was received from Mr. H. E. Barr of Falls River Mass., asking for copies of the Playground Reports. The Secretary reported that the requested reports had been forwarded.

The residents in the vicinity of the Portola School, in the San Bruno district presented a petition to the Playground Commission for a playground in that vicinity. The Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of same and state that this Commission is heartily in accord with their request, also to advise the petitioners to present a similar request to the Board of Supervisors.

The Superintendent reported that the directors of this department who worked in co-operation with the Liberty Loan Committee secured over $11,000.00 in subscriptions in addition to subscription of department employees amounting to $3950.00.

The Superintendent further reported that he had been able to secure some play supplies which had been placed on the market by the United States Government, thereby saving from 15 to 40 percent on the articles purchased.

The articles purchased included:

Baseball bats, baseballs, masks, volleyballs, basketballs, and whistles.

The Superintendent further reported that the foundation under the shower room in the boys section of Jackson Playground had rotted away, and that it would be necessary to remove the tile and marble work. On motion regularly moved and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the work and see that proper ventilation was made to prevent subsequent rotting of the wood work.

On motion regularly moved and carried, Rev. D. O. Crowley and Mr. Henry B. Mills, were appointed a committee to interview the fire department, and take up with them the question of water supply for the swimming tanks, to see whether or not it would be possible for the fire department to share the expense of refilling the tanks, in so much as said tanks were connected with the auxiliary fire system.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Secretary, Mr. Irwin A. Lawler was granted permission to take a vacation, said vacation to begin at a time best suited to the interests of the department.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $217.40 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p. M.

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San Francisco, June 18th 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called for this day, notices having failed to record a quorum, those present sat as a minority Board, all action taken to be subject to the approval of the Commission at the next regular meeting.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. F. G. Sanborn,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Miss Agnes Regan,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Miss Maria Ward Lambkin, Secretary, Recreational Committee, Associate Alumnae of Barnard College, Columbia University asking for information regarding the Playground Department of San Francisco.

A communication from Miss Elizabeth Snell, Recording Secretary of Stanford University asking information regarding number of playgrounds, number of employees, salaries, hours, etc. This request is made with the idea of having on file at Stanford University all information regarding the Playground Department of San Francisco.

Communication from A. E. Davidson, Grand Rapids, Michigan, asking complete data on the Recreation Centers of San Francisco.

Communication from Raymond Quigley, Supt. of Recreation of Fresno asking number of grounds, salaries, etc. paid in San Francisco.

Above four letters, ordered filed, the information having been forwarded in each instance as requested.

A communication was received from Mr. J. C. Astredo enclosing a check for Five Dollars for damage done at the North Beach Bath House by a group of boys who were apprehended by the Juvenile Court and made to pay the amount of damage. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to deposit check with the Treasurer.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors asking that every department of the City Government make the necessary arrangements whereby a responsible employee of each department be in their respective offices to respond at any time to information which might be requested by the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Playground and Recreation Association of America announcing that copies of the year book had been forwarded to the office of the Playground Commission. Ordered filed, the Secretary previously having announced to the Association receipt of report.

A communication from the Engineer of the State Bureau of Sanitation regarding Swimming Pools, was received. The communication also stated that the Bureau would appreciate having plans for the proposed swimming pool at the foot of Van Ness Ave. Ordered filed. The Secretary having reported that plans were not as yet prepared, etc.

Applications for position as Playground Directors were received from Miss Olive C. Forrester, Trend, Tulch, Calif.,--Miss Edna Crawford Taylor, Louisville, Kentucky, and Mr. Thomas O'Neill, 3883 Folsom St., San Francisco. Ordered filed and the applicants notified there were no vacancies at the present time.

Mr. Lawler reported that Troop 38, Boy Scouts, desired the use of Jackson Playground one night per week, the request having been presented through Mr. Onnie Wilson, Scout Master. Request granted, it being understood that Mr. Wilson would be responsible for the proper use of the field house. Arrangements to be made by Mr. Lawler.

Mr. De Groot reported that a group of ladies interested in Social Service work had called on him to discuss conditions in the neighborhood around Southside Playground. In discussing the playground proper, Mr. De Groot maintained that Southside had developed into an athletic field for boys and stated that he had advised the group above mentioned to secure, if possible, Columbia Park, to be developed as a center for Girls Recreation exclusively. Mr. Lawler was directed to increase the facilities for Girls at Southside.

A request from a group of adults for the use of Richmond Playground Tennis Courts in the early morning was denied on the ground that the policy of the Commission was to have no facility of any playground used unless supervised by a playground director.

Mr. Lawler reported that the Public Echo Athletic League had

completed the baseball schedule for the season, all games having been played on the playgrounds with playground directors acting as officials.

The baseball schedule for high school girls involving the playing of approximately twenty teams, was played off on the Southside and Mission Playgrounds.

Tennis Tournaments in Class I, Class II, and Class III, for the boys of the San Francisco Playgrounds was completed with Presidio Heights winning the laurels in Class II, Excelsior in Class I, and Hamilton in Class III.

An exhibition match of tennis was played off at Hamilton Playground during the month of June, William Johnson, National Champion, Carl Gardner former Bay Cities Champion, Roland Roberts, Pacific Coast Champion, and Mervyn Griffin, Bay Cities Champion, participating in the play.

The High School Girls of San Francisco participated in a Swimming Meet conducted at the North Beach Swimming Tank on June 26th 1919.

Permission was granted to Mr. Lawler to arrange a program whereby a group of boys and a group of girls would be escorted to Mission and North Beach Swimming tanks. Every playground to have one day each week. Each child joining to group, to obtain written consent from his or her parents to do so.

It was the sense of the meeting that a report of playground activities and general history of the department be prepared and printed in the near future. The following were appointed to prepare the report: Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. E. B. De Groot, Mr. Frank A. Lawler, and Miss M. Philomene Hagan.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $853.50 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p. m.

Frank A. Lawler

Secretary.

San Francisco, June 28th 1919.

SPECIAL MEETING.

By order of the President, a special meeting of the Playground Commission was called for the purpose of discussing the resignation of Mr. E. B. De Groot, and the appointment of his successor.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn,
Mr. Henry D. Mills,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. George H. Gallagher,
Mr. John McLaren,
Miss Agnes C. Regan.

MINUTES.

This being a special meeting, the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

The following communication from Mr. E. B. DeGroot was read by the Secretary.

" Rev. D. O. Crowley, June 10th 1919.
President Playground Commission,
City and County of San Francisco.

My dear Mr. Crowley:

Nearly five years ago, you and Mr. Gallagher, President of the Board of Education called me to the joint services of the Playground Commission and the Board of Education to organize and conduct a larger and more thorough work in the schools and playgrounds. I feel that I have accomplished this work to the fullest extent of my ability, with the available resources of the two Boards, and I now ask to be relieved on July 1st next. To retain me in the present position, under either or both boards, would perhaps, be to continue a type of leadership and service no longer needed in the light of existing conditions.

This statement of resignation is presented with feelings of great respect and admiration for those who called me to their services. I have been more than comfortable and happy in my work because of the generous support and sample confidence given me in all matters. To now sever connections with those I have been privileged to serve and hold in such high esteem is a painful thing for me. I do so only in the light of what seems to me to be a proper act in relation to all concerned.

Respectfully, signed E. B. De Groot.

Recommendations concerning matter of organization and administration of work of the Playground Commission.

1. Appoint Mr. Frank A. Lawler, Secretary and Superintendent. The only way to effect economy in administration, and what is more important, a smooth working and efficient organization is to combine the office of Secretary and Superintendent in one position to be filled by one man.

Mr. Lawler, by his accomplishments, no less than by his faithful and close application to duty has earned the appointment here proposed.

2. Appoint Miss Hagan Assistant Superintendent of playgrounds. Miss Hagan has for a number of years shared the responsibility and management of playgrounds equally with Mr. Lawler, and she has performed her work in a most praiseworthy manner. She, too, deserves promotion.

3. Give Mr. Lawler and Miss Hagan such assistant workers as they need and can justify to cover office work and general supervision of field work.

4. Hold Mr. Lawler, in the first instance, and Miss Hagan in the second, responsible for proper office management and efficient supervision, upkeep and operation of all playgrounds.

Respectfully, signed E. B. De Groot.

On motion made by Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, seconded by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, and unanimously adopted by the Board, the resignation of Mr. E. B. De Groot was accepted with deepest regret.

It was the sense of the Commission that a resolution should be engrossed and forwarded to Mr. De Groot, expressing the regret of the Commission at his resignation, thanking him for his faithful services and wishing him God speed in his new enterprises.

President spoke at length of the good work which Mr. De Groot had done for the playground department, and said further that the people of San Francisco owed a great deal to Mr. De Groot. In answering, Mr. De Groot thanked the President and the members of the Playground Com-

mission for the support which they had given him and his co-workers for the efficient help rendered him during his work for the department.

In discussing the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. De Groot it was unanimously moved and carried that Mr. Lawler be appointed to the vacancy and that he be known as the Secretary and Superintendent of the Playground Commission, and that Miss M. P. Hagan be appointed assistant Secretary and Superintendent.

It was moved and seconded and carried that the salaries of Mr. Frank A. Lawler and Miss M. P. Hagan should be increased, such increases to be discussed by Rev. D. O. Crowley and Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, with the Finance Committee.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $1103.68 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 11:45 a. m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mrs. P. C. Sanborn, Mr. Henry H. Mills, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. Geo. H. Gallagher.
Absent:	Miss Agnes G. Regan, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meetint were approved as read.

It was the sense of the meeting that no business, other than the signing of necessary demands, should be transacted, therefore on motion regularly moved and carried bills amounting to $1018.78 were approved and ordered paid.

On motion regularly moved, carried and seconded, the following resolution was adopted. (Unanimously.)

WHEREAS, in the passing from our midst of Mr. Jesse Lilienthal the City of San Francisco has lost one of her most valued and best loved of her citizens, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lilienthal, during his residence in San Francisco has proved himself one of her most public spirited citizens, having been the originator of various movements for the uplifting of humanity, among which is the Society for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, which had its inception through his personal efforts, and under his personal leadership his being the dominant spirit in this great benefaction, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Playground Commission expresses hereby its sorrow at the loss of our beloved citizen, and further

Resolved that an expression of heartfelt sympathy be forwarded to his wife, always his earnest helper in all the philanthropic movements in which he was interested, and be it further

RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread on the minutes of the Playground Commission, and be it further

Resolved that the meeting of the Playground Commission be and is hereby adjourned out of respect to the memory of Mr. Jesse Lilienthal, our noble fellow citizen.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 16th 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., President D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. A. J. Rossi,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent: Miss Agnes S. Rogan,
Mr. Geo. Gallagher.

MINUTES.

The reading of the minutes of the minutes of the previous regular meeting, of the Playground Commission, which was a minority meeting, were approved as read and the actions of the Commissioners present accepted as the actions of the entire board.

The minutes of the special meeting of the Commission were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. George D. Gallagher, President of the Board of Education enclosing a letter from his Honor the Mayor with reference to a petition from Mr. Alfred Newland (petition also enclosed.)

The petition from H. Alfred Newland of 64 Merlin St. asks the co-operation of the Mayor in securing a playground for the University Mound District. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. Newland stating that the Playground Commission would co-operate with the people of that neighborhood to secure a playground.

A request was received from Miss Anna Fraser asking that the War Camp Community Service be granted permission to establish a chorus on each playground, the letter ordered filed and the Secretary directed to answer same at time, that the establishment of a choral society on the playgrounds was not practicable.

A communication was received from Miss Charlotte T. Farnsworth referring to a conference with Mr. De Groot for the purpose of installing sewing machines at Southside Playground. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mrs. Farnsworth inviting her to come to the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

A communication was received from Andrew J. Gallagher, asking for the use of the Playground Bar for the purpose of taking a selection to La Monda. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to comply with the request if possible.

An application was received from Miss Irene Grant, for position as play Director, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same, stating that application had been filed, and to further state that no vacancy existed at this time.

A communication was received from Mr. M. B. De Groot enclosing a letter from W. Dent Swenson of Stockton stating that it was the intention of the Stockton Commission to visit the San Francisco Playgrounds. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same stating that he would be pleased to show the Stockton Commissioners the San Francisco Playgrounds at any time they might come to our city.

The Superintendent reported that he was desirous of making some changes at Southside Playground whereby facilities would be afforded for organized recreation for girls.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Superintendent and Mr. John McLaren were directed to prepare plans whereby these changes might be made at the aforesaid playground. Such plans to be presented at the regular meeting of the Playground Commission, August 20, 1919.

Bills and expenses for the month to date amounting to $108.47 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p. M.

Frank A. Lynch

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 6, 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. F. S. Sanborn,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. George H. Gallagher.

The notification from His Honor James Rolph, of the appointment of Mrs. Sigmund Stern as a member of the Playground Commission, vice Miss Agnes S. Herman resigned, was read and Mrs. Stern duly seated as a member of the Commission.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Charlotte W. Farnsworth, Chairman of the Juvenile Protective Association and Miss M. F. Hallett, Secretary appeared before the Commission, asking permission to conduct a sewing class for girls and women at the Southside Playground. It was the sense of the Commission that it would be inadvisable at this time, owing to the fact that the grounds are not suitably equipped for such purpose. Mrs. Sanborn and Mrs. Stern were appointed to take the matter up, as a committee, when the rearrangement of Southside will have been completed.

COMMUNICATIONS. A communication was received from Mr. Charles Duncan of 47th Avenue, wherein he suggests that play facilities be placed in the Park near the Marine Hospital at the Presidio. The Park in question being under the Park Commission, the Secretary was directed to forward the communication to that board and to so notify Mr. Duncan.

A communication was received from the Board of Public Works stating that in as much as the funds necessary were not available at the present time it would be impossible for that department to prepare a map of Southside Playground. Mr. McLaren was asked to take the matter up with City Engineer, Mr. O'Shaughnessy, and see if the map could be prepared.

A communication from the Board of Supervisors stating that a clerical error had been made in the budget viz: Listing item No. 9.6, Director of North Beach Playground at $1[illegible], when the intention was to make it $1[illegible].00, and listing item No. 940 Gymnasium Instructor at $900.00 when the intention was to make it $[illegible]; Communication ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported that numerous complaints had been received regarding the letter lockers on the playgrounds, and that in that his judgment would be to remove them from the playgrounds. The recommendation was approved and all letter lockers ordered removed.

In discussing the need of officers on the various playgrounds at different times it was the sense of the Commissioners, that police Officers at regular intervals should visit the playgrounds, and be regularly noted and carried in detail on their reports to correspond with the Police Department requesting that the number of officers should be provided.

The Superintendent further reported that the attendance at the Mission Bath House during the month of July numbered [illegible] which is an increase of 4318 over July of last year. North Beach recorded an attendance of 4900, which is an increase of 1[illegible] over last year. The increase no doubtedly being due to the fact that supervision and instruction was provided at the swimming pools. Over two hundred [illegible] were issued at North Beach Baths. Over two hundred [illegible] were issued to swimmers during the month of July free of charge.

In discussing the attitude of directors in the recreational it was regularly moved and carried that in consideration should be given to those directors, who because of length of service and satisfactory work were entitled under the ruling of the Commission to the annual vacation. Their claims to be determined by the result of such consideration.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was directed to give each recreation to the [illegible] Directors and the Assistant Directors each night, to give the commission to the women directors.

The question of an increase of salary for the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent was referred until [illegible] meeting of the Commission.

Bills and current expenses for the month to [illegible] in the amount of $1767.00 were approved and ordered paid.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p. m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 3rd 1919.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present:	Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mr. F. C. Sanborn, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. George E. Gallagher.
Absent:	Mr. John Mc Laren, Mr. Henry B. Mills.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read as and approved.

An application from Miss Alice Davis, 2442 Piedemont Ave., Berkeley was received and placed on file, the Secretary directed to reply to Miss Davis stating therewere no vacancies existing in the department at the presen t

Mr. William Mc Cormick tendered his resignation from the directorship of Southside Playground, to become effective as soon as the commission could conveniently release him.

On motion regularly moved and carried the resignation was accepted and the Secretary directed to com unicate with Mr. Mc Cormick, expressing regret at his withdrawal from the department.

In order to fill the vacancy at once the Superintendent was directed to transfer Mr. Harry Tiedemann from the North Beach Playground to Southside, and to assign a woman director to the North Beach Playground.

A communication was received from the Home Service Section of the American Red Cross, Springfield Ohio, asking for a copy of the latest report of the Playground Commission. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to fo ward the copy as requested.

A communication from Mrs. A. Laurente 2128 Van Ness Avenue, enclosing a bill from Dr. Adler, for medical attention given her son Frank Laurente because of injuries received at the Spring Valley Playground was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward the communication to the City Attorney requesting an opinion regarding the liability of the Playground Commission under the circumstances.

The Secretary was further directed to com.unicate with Mrs. Laurente stating the action taken , and to advise Mrs. Laurente that the opinion of the City Attorney would be forwarded immediately upon receipt of same.

The Superintendent reported that the Playground Car was in a very bad condition and suggested either a complete overhauling or a new car. It was the sense of the Commission that a new car was impossible at this time The Superintendent was therefore instructed to have the old car thoroughly ov er hauled.

In discussing the question of an office assistant, it was the sense of the Meeting that some one should be employed who would be trained in office work, and wo would be on duty at all times during office hours. The President and Superintendent were empowered to makethe selection.

In discussing the status of the Bath House Attendant at both Mission and North Beach Bath Houses, it was the sense of the Commission that these positions should be placed on an annual salary of $1500. During the closed season of the Bath House, these men to do such work as the Superintendent in his judgment deemed best for the interest of the department. The Bath House Assistants were placed on a basis of $ 75.00 per month, during the sea n

In discussing the salary of Playground Directors, it was the sense of the Commission, that all directors in the department eligible for examination should receive their increase without such examination, satisfactory service and length of employment being sufficient evidence of ability. Therefore on motion regularly moved and carried the maximum salary of $ 110.00 for men directors and $ 105.00 for women directors, becomes effective from September 1st 1919.

On motion regularly moved and carried Miss Hulda Popper, director of Presidio Heights Playground is classed as "A" director and placed at a salary of $ 105.00 per month, because of length of service and satisfactory work at Presid o Heights Playground.

In discussing the status of Frank A. Lawler, Secretary and Superinted ent, and M. Philomene Hagan, Assistant Secretary and Assistant Superintendent, it was regularly moved by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. F. C. Sanborn that their compensation should be increased $ 300.00 per year. An amendmen

to the motion was made by George E. Gallagher, seconded by Mrs. Sigmund Stern that their respective salaries be increased $ 500.00 for the year. The amendment was carried by the following vote.

Ayes: Mr. Gallagher, Mrs. Stern, Rev. D. O. Crowley.
Noes. Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, Mrs. F. C. Sanborn.

Bills and expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 6801.63 were approved and ordered paid. (Current Expenses $2067.63 (Sal and Labor 4734.00 $6801.63

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 1st 1919.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m. President. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent : Mr. George E. Gallagher,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

MINUTES.

The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Playground Commission were approved as read.

A communication was received from Mr. Bert Paolinelli, Secretary of the Italian Catholic Union, asking permission to have a series of games and races at North Beach Playground on Columbus Day. The Secretary directed to reply to same stating that the Playground Commission would willingly cooperate with the request and asking that Mr. Paolinelli communicate further with this office giving particulars of the program.

A communication was received from Miss Catherine Felton, inviting the members of the Playground Commission to a dinner at the Hotel Stewart in honor of Mr. Robert Wood, A Social Worker of Boston Massachusetts.

The following opinion, regarding the liability of the Playground Commission in the case of an injury received by a child while playing on a playground.

" The Playground Commission is not liable in any case for injuries sustained by any person availing himself of the use of the Playgrounds under the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission. The funds under control of the Playground Commission , under the Charter are to be used for the maintenance of the Playgrounds, and any claims for damages arising out of accidents sustained by persons using the playgrounds, under the Charter, Section 8, Chapter 11, Art. 11., should be filed with the clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

Morover it was held by the Supreme Court of this State in the case of Keller, vs the City of Los Angeles, 178 Pac. Rep. p. 505., that a municipal corporation conducting a childrens playground is engaged in a governmental function and is not liable for damages for negligence in the operation of same.

Respectfully, (George Lull,) City Attorney.

A communication was received from Mr. Edward Rainey Secretary to the Mayor enclosing a circular from Mr. I. Grant of 30 Moore Park Road, Sydney Australia, giving particulars about the game of Vigoro" Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

The President. Rev. D. O. Crowley reported that he had visited all the Playgrounds in the Department during the past week and found them all in excellent condition with the exception of the walks at the North Beach Playground, these were in need of gravel, the Superintendent was directed to purchase the gravel necessary for this work. .

The Superintendent reported that thewater pipes at Jackson Playground were rotting, and in his judgment the entire system should be overhauled, and all pipes replaced with galvanized iron, he further reported that there were many low spots in the ground, and advised that they should be filled in, referred to Mr. Mc Larenand the Superintendent with power to act.

The adoption of plans for the increase of play facilities at Southside Playground for Girls, was deferred.

In discussing the annual athletic programs, the question of securing grants where necessary was referred to Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, with power to act. It being the sense of the Commission that five bands would be needed. The question of medals and trophies was referred to the Superintendent with power to act.

The Superintendent reported that crap games were prevelant on the streets adjacent to the Playgrounds on Sundays, the matter was referred to the President to take up with the Police Department.

In discussing the purchase of an auto for the department the question was referred to Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, and Mr. Frak Lawler, with power to act. It was the opinion of the Commission that an ad should be prepared and the car purchased from the lowest bidder offering the most suitable car.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date amounting to $ 8499.73 were approved and ordered paid. Including demands No. 7,8,9,10 and personal salary demands No. 7,8,9.

There being no further business the meet the adjourned at the hour of 4:55 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 15, 1919.

Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called for this day. Notice having failed to record a quorum, those present sat as a minority board--all action taken to be subject to the approval of the commission at the next regular meeting.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. Sanborn.

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A communication from J. J. Isaacson, Recreation Department, Omaha, asking for information regarding the number and type of playgrounds in San Francisco, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to acknowledge the receipt of same and give the required information.

A communication from Guy S. Millberry, requesting position as Director on one of the playgrounds, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer stating that at the present time there are no vacancies in the department, but in case of a future vacancy, his application will be given due consideration.

A communication from C. B. Lundy, Detroit, Michigan, containing references of David L. Wittet, an applicant for position in the department, was ordered filed.

Communication from W. E. Perry, of the Spring Valley Water Co., stating that the leaking meters at Jackson Playground have been repaired, was ordered filed.

Communication from Robert M. Lynch, San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, giving the personel of the Playground Department of Los Angeles, Stockton and Fresno, was ordered filed.

Superintendent's Report. The Superintendent reported that the Athletic Field Days on Hamilton, Jackson and Presidio Playgrounds were conducted on Saturday, October 11th, and that on Saturday, October 18th, Athletic Days are to be conducted on Mission, North Beach, Richmond and Excelsior Playgrounds. The Superintendent further requests that the Commissioners, if possible, accompany him in making the tour of the grounds, on the day in question.

The walks in North Beach are being reveled with tan bark, ~~same is also being~~ distributed under all the apparatus frames throughout the department.

Permission was given the Superintendent to install a new water system in the Jackson Playground, as inspection proved the old pipes to be, beyond repair.

Plans prepared by Mr. Frank A. Lawler and Mr. John McLaren, for the readjustment of Southside Playground were submitted--action on the matter being deferred until the next regular meeting.

In discussing the development of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground, the Finance Committee directed the Superintendent to prepare plans for the development of that playground for the use of girls and small children only. Such plans to be presented at the commissions next regular meeting.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $497.07, Demand #11, approved and ordered paid. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 P. M.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 5, 1919.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
John L. McLaren;
Henry B. Mills;
Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent: Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read, and the actions of the minority board sitting therein are to be considered as the actions of this meeting and adopted as such.

COMMUNICATIONS

The communication of Bert E. Swenson, Playground Recreation Commission, Stockton California, requesting information instructions of tennis courts, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer giving the desired information.

Communication from May L. Cheney, University of California, requesting information as to the directors of North Beach Playground, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer, giving the desired information.

Communication from C. E. Carr, Assistant Librarian International Y. M. C. A. College, Springfield, Mass., asking that their library be placed on the permanent mailing list of this commission, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to answer stating that we will comply with their request.

Communication from Social Workers' Alliance, inviting the commission to be present at the meeting of the Social Workers' Alliance of San Francisco, Wednesday Evening, Oct. 29, 1919, was ordered filed.

A communication from the employees of the department asking that laborers, caretakers, and gardeners' wages should be increased to $5.00 per day, was ordered filed, and a committee composed of Mr. John McLaren, Mr. Henry B. Mills, and Mr. Frank A. Lawler, was appointed to investigate the matter and report their findings at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

Mr. John McLaren, Secretary Committees on Improving Southside Playground, reported that it is their judgment that the Field House at Southside Playground should be moved over to the rear of the Ethan Allen School, and that the tank house and bleachers should be removed. A motion was regularly moved and carried, recommendations were adopted, and the Secretary was directed to advertise for bids for the removal of the field house and to tear down the bleachers and tank house--salvaging as much of the material as possible. It was further recommended that the Play Committee visit Southside Playground for the purpose of improving play facilities on the girls' side of the grounds.

Angelo J. Rossi reported that arrangements had been made for the turning in of the old automobile to the Howard Auto Company for the sum of $725.71 and procuring a new automobile for the sum of $1,000.00 net. A regular motion carried--the arrangements made by Mr. Rossi were ratified, and the Secretary directed to make the transfer as soon as possible.

The Superintendent reported that the walks in North Beach Playground had been repaired and graveled, and that tan bark had been distributed on all the playgrounds; that the fences at Excelsior Playground had been repaired, and all the woodwork, including the Field House had been painted. Programs on all the Playgrounds were completed, Saturday, Nov. 1st, and the prizes to the winning individuals and teams have been distributed. It was the judgment of the Superintendent that over 10,000 children participated in the games, reach and dances. The Superintendent further stated that the grounds were being closed at 5 p.m. as the days were too short to permit playing at a later hour. The Superintendent recommended that temporary basket ball courts should be constructed in the Margaret S. Hayward Playground; that baby swings and a slide should be erected and sand boxes constructed; and a Director placed in charge as soon as these changes had been instituted. A motion made and movement carried, and recommendations of the Superintendent were adopted; and he was advised to proceed with the work in question, as soon as possible.

Bills and current expenses, amounting to $2485.15 on Demand No. 12, 13, and 14, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p. m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 19, 1919.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
John L. McLaren;
Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

PETITION

Mr. Harry Aftergut, 2574 San Bruno Avenue, presented a petition asking that the Playground Commission should endorse the acquisition of a playground in the San Bruno Avenue District. On motion regularly moved and carried the Commission heartily endorsed the acquisition of a playground in this district, and instructed Mr. Aftergut that if a site could be procured and funds acquired for the purpose of developing and maintaining a playground in this neighborhood, the Playground Commission will develop it as soon as possible.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from J. McCoy, Recreation Department, Santa Maria, California, relative to the conducting of swimming tanks in San Francisco, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer giving the desired information.

Communication from the Playground Recreation Association of America, asking information on the facilities in this department for adult recreation, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer giving such information as he has on hand.

Communication from the San Francisco Americanization Council, containing a questionaire on the work we are doing in Americanization, was ordered filed, and secretary directed to answer the questionaire according to his best information.

Mr. Mills, Chairman of the Play Committee, endorsed the plan presented by Mr. Lawler for the development of Southside Playground, and on motion regularly moved and carried, Mr. Lawler was directed to proceed with the work in question, as s on as possible. In discussing the moving of the Field House in Southside Playground, it was the sense of the meeting that the Secretary should acquire figures on the cost of such proposed removal, also to have the City Architect draw plans for converting a portion of the Field House into dressing rooms for teams using the grounds as an Athletic Center.

In discussing the question of salaries of laborers in the department, the Secretary was directed to send a communication to the Chairman of the committee presenting the petition, stating that with the present limited appropriation of this commission, that it would be impossible to consider a raise at the present time. If additional funds can be obtained from theBoard of Supervisors, the Commission will be pleased to grant the requested change in compensation.

Bills and current expenses, amounting to $381.70 on Demands 15 and 16, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 3, 1919.

MEETING

Notices having been forwarded for a meeting of the Playground Commission, to be called on Wednesday, December 3, 1919, failed to record a quorum.

Frank A Lauder

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 17, 1919.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Geo. E. Gallagher;
John McLaren;
Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meetings, dated Nov. 5th and 19th, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from L. Bossana, Committee on Accounting, of the City and County of San Francisco, proposing to install an accounting system in this department for the sum of $90.00, was ordered filed; and the Secretary was directed to take the matter up with Mr. Bossana for the purpose of installing the system as outlined in his letter.

Communication from Katherine Leay, Nashville, Tenn., asking for information on the playground department, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to give the information desired.

Communication from I. R. Monti, 380 Broadway, asking that mixed matches be allowed on the North Beach tennis courts on Saturday and Sunday, was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to answer stating that the playgrounds are primarily instituted for the use of children and it was only an act of courtesy to allow adults the use of the grounds at all. Under these circumstances we are obliged to maintain the rules that mixed games should not be permitted on the playgrounds as we do not desire to place ourselves in the position of granting special privileges to adults and denying the same to the children for whose use primarily the playgrounds are being maintained.

Communication from Anne Rylance Smith, Czech-American Summer Training School for Social Work, asking for information concerning the playground system in San Francisco, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to answer giving the desired information.

Communication from Myrtle Smethers, Elmdale, Kansas, desiring the same information, was ordered filed, and Secretary directed to pursue same course.

Communication from C. V. Raitt, Playground Department, City of Los Angeles, asking information on the color problem in the use of the swimming pools in this department, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to answer stating that up to this time, we had not had any difficulties in color or race problems, consequently could not advise him in the matter.

Communication from Mrs. Alfred McLaughlin, requesting the Playground Commission to consider the property owned by the Bannock Investment Company in the San Bruno Avenue district, bounded by Silliman, Somerset, Felton and Holyoak Streets, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer stating that there are no funds in the department for the acquisition of any property for playground purposes, at this time; but in the event there being an appropriation made for the purchase of additional playground sites, that the commission would be pleased to consider the property in question.

Communication from the Chamber of Commerce requesting information as to the total number, area and equipment of playgrounds, was ordered filed, and Secretary directed to answer giving desired information.

Communication from Henry Tillman, Secretary of the Tillman Estate Company, asking the department to consider the purchase of the property in the Southwest corner of Broadway and Larkin Streets, as a Playground site, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer stating that there was no money appropriated for the purchase of property for playground purposes, consequently the matter cannot be considered at this time.

Edw. C. Sewell, Sunday Director at South Side, reported that a police officer had created a disturbance on Southside Playground, Sunday, December 14, 1919. It was the sense of the commission that the Secretary should take the matter up with the office of the Police Department for the purpose of having the matter investigated.

The Superintendent reported that work on the Margaret S. Hayward Playground had been initiated and the Kindergarten section was being installed. Plans for the renovation of the Field House at Southside Playground were being prepared by the City Architect. In discussing the improvements proposed at Southside Playground, on motion regularly moved and carried, it was resolved that the expense for moving the Field House from its present location to a new location would be too great. Consequently the bids for such removal were rejected and the Secretary directed to

notify those bidding on such proposed removal of the fact. It was the sense of the meeting that a monthly report from the directors on the various grounds concerning conditions, improvements desired, and extraordinary happenings should be filed in this office on or about the first of each month. Such reports to be read at the first regular monthly meeting of the Playground Commission. Before adjourning, the Commission decided, at an early date, to visit the Oakland Playground Department for the purpose of investigating the manner in which the grounds there are being operated.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $1676.65, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:25 p. m.

Frank A Lawler

Secretary.

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 28, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting, dated Dec. 17, 1919, were approved as read.

It being the first meeting of the new board, the appointments of the various commissioners were read. Rev. D. O. Crowley was appointed for a four year term, vice himself. Angelo J. Rossi was appointed for a four year term, vice himself. Henry B. Mills was appointed for a four year term, vice himself. Mrs. F. G. Sanborn was appointed for a four year term, vice herself. Mrs. Sigmund Stern was appointed for a four year term, vice herself.

The first order of business, was the election of a President. On motion regularly moved and carried, Rev. D. O. Crowley was nominated for President. On motion regularly moved and carried, nominations were declared closed. Rev. D. O. Crowley was, on motion regularly moved and carried, elected President of the Commission for the ensuing four years. The President then appointed the following committees:

Finance: Angelo J. Rossi, Chairman; Geo. E. Gallagher; Henry B. Mills; Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Grounds: John McLaren, Chairman; Angelo J. Rossi; Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Play Committee: Henry B. Mills, Chairman; Mrs. F. G. Sanborn; Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from W. H. Schnapp, General Electric Company, asking that this department purchase the property on Clay Street, adjoining Presidio Heights Playground, was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to answer, stating that the commission was desirous of obtaining this piece of property, and would advise Mr. Schnapp to have the neighbors in the immediate vicinity, petition the Board of Supervisors to secure the property as an extention to Presidio Heights Playground.

Communication from the Mayor's Office, enclosing a petition from Edw. McDougall, asking for a playground in the Mission District, was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to answer the petition, stating that there are no funds in the department at this time to equip a playground, and to advise the petitioner that it would be necessary to have the Board of Supervisors furnish funds for such equipment in the next budget, if the proposition were to be entertained.

Communication from Hester Proctor, 443 Melville Ave., Palo Alto, asking for literature on playground work, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer giving the necessary information.

Communication from Rosalind Cassidy, Mills College, asking if arrangements could be made whereby the scholars of that institution could visit the San Francisco Playground System, was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to answer making the necessary arrangements for such visit.

A communication from Mr. Hucert S. Hopkins, offering to give the commission the gravel on his property situated on the west side of Denver Street, forty feet south of the intersection of 19th Street, if the commission would remove such gravel, was ordered filed. Mr. John McLaren and Mr. Lawler were directed to investigate the proposition, with power to act.

The schedule of activities in the Public School Athletic League, for games to be played on the playgrounds for the ensuing six months, was ordered filed.

The communication from Guy P. Jones, Assistant to the Secretary of the California State Board of Health, asking for photographs of the San Francisco Playgrounds, to be used in the publicity matter of that department, was ordered filed, and the secretary was directed to forward such photographs as he deemed best for that purpose.

Communication from Robt. E. Johnson, former Director at Hamilton Playground, tending his resignation to the Playground Department, to become effective, Jan. 15th, as he had been offered a position in the Physical Department in the University of California, was ordered filed. The resignation was accepted with regret. The Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Johnson accordingly, and wish him in the name of the commission, every success for the future.

Semi-Annual Report of the Superintendent.

Financial. The Superintendent reported that the entire appropriation for the Fiscal Year 1919-1920, was $87,091.00 of which amount $44,578.30 had been spent, leaving a balance of $42,512.70. The estimated expenditures for salaries, maintenance, and up-keep for the ensuing six months leaves a balance of

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$4,228.35 which the Superintendent proposed will be used for the development of Southside Playground as ordered by the commission in their meeting of November 19, 1919.

Activities. The department promoted inter-playground baseball, and volley ball leagues; a tennis tournament for boys, six classes; girls, four classes; basket ball tournament for boys and girls and volley ball tournament for girls. On each individual playground, we conducted a basket ball league, tennis tournaments for boys, tennis tournaments for girls, playground ball leagues for girls, baseball tournament for boys, baseball tournament for girls, and volley ball tournament for girls. During the month of October, the Fall Athletic Festivals were programmed on each ground. These festivals consisted of folk-dancing, circle games, races, and match games. In the swimming season, groups were taken from the different grounds to the swimming tanks for instruction, and 1,891 children were taught to swim. The Public Schools Athletic League track term, and baseball games were also conducted with the assistance of this department. On Saturday afternoons and Sundays, the grounds were used extensively by adults, and during the six months past, the Banker's League, Ship Yard League, Mid-winter League, Pacific Coast Mid-winter League, Wholesale Grocers League, Standard Oil League, and the Warehouse League games were conducted. The W. R. Grace and Company's tennis tournament, the Standard Oil's tennis tournament, the Bank Clerk's tennis tournament, and the Ship Yard's Soccer League, were conducted on the playgrounds.

The Superintendent recommended that arrangements be made whereby groups should be taken from the individual playgrounds to Stow Lake, to be instructed in rowing. Referred to the Play Committee. Superintendent recommended that the 15 day vacation in the winter should be eliminated, and instead, that the directors would be excused from attendance on rainy days. Referred to the Play Committee. In discussing the opening of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground, the secretary reported that it was impossible to have a telephone installed without considerable expense. The matter was referred to Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, for the purpose of securing an early installation of the telephone.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p. m.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $1945.73, on Demands no. 22, 23, 24, and 25 were approved and ordered paid.

Frank D. Fowler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 3, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called for this day. Notice having failed to record a quorum, those present sat as a minority board--all action taken to be subject to the approval of the commission at the next regular meeting.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Angleo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications from Muriel L. Cross, Ellen Reuning and H. H. Landram, asking for information on playground matters in San Francisco, were ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to answer giving the desired information.

Communication from the Social Workers' Alliance inviting the commission to be present at a meeting of that organization, Feb. 24th, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Recreation Department, City of Oakland, announcing the opening of the Little Theatre, Saturday March 6th at 2:30 p. m., was ordered filed.

Communication from Ray Daugherty, Supervisor of Athletics, announcing the twelfth annual Baseball Tournament for the season 1920, was ordered filed.

Communication from Susie Root Rhodes, Washington, D. C., asking information on the rules and regulations of this city regarding street playing and kite flying, was ordered filed. Secretary was directed to answer, giving desired information.

Communication from the Mission Street Merchants' Association, asking that the play space in Mission Park be supervised, was ordered filed, and the Secretary was directed to forward the communication to the Park Commission with the endorsement of this department.

A communication from F. H. Guntz, recommending the block bounded by Minerva, Montana, Plymouth and Capitol Ave.--the Ocean View district, referred to the grounds committee for investigation.

Communication from Frances E. Ware, stating that she has completed eight years honorable service under the Playground Commission, was ordered filed. In discussingMiss Ware's term of service, it was the sense of the meeting that some recognition should be given. This matter was referred to the play committee.

Plans for the reconstruction of the field house at Southside Playground were accepted, and the Secretary was directed to procure specifications and estimates from the Department of Public Works.

The Superintendent reported that the Mission Playground had been resurfaced and the Kindergarten Section of Southside Playground was undergoing the same treatment; that the interior of the Mission Bath House was varnished and the tanks at both Mission and North Beach were being painted, and that at the monthly meeting of the Playground Directors, plans for playground ball leagues and a tennis tournament were formulated, and arrangements have been made to provide for rowing classes at Stow Lake. The working girls that have been brought up at Hamilton Playground wish to form an organization for evening recreation. The matter was referred to the Superintendent and the Asst. Superintendent for investigation and report. Miss Cashin and Miss Mulligan of North Beach Playground, and Miss Jones of Spring Valley Playground, have been off several days with the "flu."

As the Budget is to be presented by March 15th, the meeting of the Finance Committee of this department, is advised, as soon as possible, for the purpose of drafting up the same. It was the sense of the meeting that the entire commission should be called together, Monday, March 8th at 10 o'clock for the purpose of preparing the Budget for the next fiscal year.

The reading of the monthly reports of the Playground Supervisors is dispensed with.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $1933.44 on Demands, 26-27-28 and 29, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:55 p. m.

Frank D. Fowler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 15, 1920.

MEETING

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 10a.m. for the purpose of preparing the Budget for the next fiscal year.

Present: Angelo J. Rossi,
Mrs. F.C.Sanborn,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Rev. D.O.Crowley,
John.L. McLaren,
Geo. E. Gallagher.

The Secretary presented the following Budget:

PERSONAL SERVICES	No. of Employees	Rate	Amount
Secretary and Superintendent	1	275.00	3300.00
Asst. " " Asst. "	1	225.00	2700.00
Foreman	1	Per day 8.50	2550.00
Directors (Male)	5	125.00	7500.00
Directors (Female)	8	125.00	12000.00
Directors (Female)	4	110.00	5280.00
Swimming Instructors	2	9 mos.@125.00	
		12 " "125.00	2625.00
Bath House Attendants	2	75.00	1350.00
Office Assistant	1	100.00	1200.00
Sunday Workers (Male)	10	Per day 3.50	1820.00
Sunday Workers (Female)	8	" " 3.00	1248.00
Emergency Substitutes	18	" " 3.00	1620.00
School Yard Directors	5	2 mos.@ 50.00	
		10 " " 25.00	1750.00
Gardeners	6	Per day 6.00	10800.00
Caretakers and Laborers	9	" " 6.00	16200.00
Carpenter	1	" " 8.50	2550.00
Painter	1	" " 8.50	2550.00
Total	83		$77043.00

TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES $12,305.00

Total MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES.....9,330.00

TOTAL EQUIPMENT.....1,810.00

TOTAL IMPROVEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS.....56,000.00

PURCHASE OF LAND.....126,000.00

The amount of $126,000 for the purchase of land includes the following pieces of property: lot adjoining Presidio Heights Playground, South side of Clay St. nr Walnut, valued approximately at $6,000; Lot adjoining the Spring Valley Playground on the South West corner of Broadway and Larkin St. valued approximately at $50,000; tract of land known as Glenn Park, appraising approximately 11 acres, valued at $30,000; and the purchase of a playground site in the San Bruno Ave. District to cost approximately $40,000.

FIXED CHARGES.....250.00

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TOTAL OF REQUESTS

Requests for Maintenance and Operation...$100,738.00
Requests for Improvements and Extensions..182,000.00

Total Budget Request $282,738.00

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Budget as presented was unanimously adopted. The Secretary was directed to forward the same to the Board of Supervisors forthwith. The meeting adjourned at the hour of 10:45a.m.

Frank A. Crowley
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. April 7, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting, dated March 3, 1920, were approved as read, and the actions taken therein, were to be incorporated as the actions of the majority. The minutes of the special meeting, March 15th, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications from the following firms and organizations approving the work of the Playground Department and offering assistance for securing adequate funds from the Supervisors at the next fiscal budget, were read: The Bethlehem Shipbuilding Corporation; Robert A. Roos of Roos Bros; Mrs. C.E. Todd, Spring Valley Mothers' Club; J. C. Astredo, Chief Probation Officer; Martin A. Meyer, Rabbi of the Temple Emanu-el; F. M. Harvey of the Polk and Larkin District Association; John A. Britton; Eustace M. Peixotto, Executive Secretary Community Service and Recreation League; Frank Fischer, Secretary North Beach Promotion Association; and Frank Murasky, Judge Superior Court.

A communication from Eustace M. Peixotto asking that this department would furnish supervision and additional apparatus for the playground which the Community Service had instituted in the Bay View and Visitation Valley Districts, was referred to the grounds committee with instruction to report back at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

A committee of citizens from the Ocean View District, M. F. Taylor of 256 Cadowa Street, as Chairman, appeared before the Commission asking the endorsement of the Playground Commission for a playground site in the Ocean View district. It was the sense of the commission that we would give the endorsement desired, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Taylor when the matter comes up before the Board of Supervisors for final passage, so that the Ocean View committee can appeal directly with the Supervisors.

The Superintendent reported that the entries for the Spring Tennis Tournament closed April 6th, with 543 participants entered. The Rowing classes at Stow Lake started March 20th, and up to the present time the girls from Excelsior, Mission, Hamilton, Spring Valley, Richmond and Presidio Heights Playgrounds, have participated. To date, 196 children have been given their first instruction. The playground baseball league is now being operated with 26 teams in the league. The Public Schools Athletic League baseball tournament is being conducted, 152 games having been already played. The following adult leagues have asked permission to use Southside Playground on Saturday afternoons and Sunday: The Bank Clerks League, the Steamship League, Insurance League, and the Standard Oil League. The Superintendent further reported that a man had been arrested on Southside Playground for offences against children, and advised that the matter should be investigated by a committee from the Playground Commission. The President appointed Angelo J. Rossi and Henry B. Mills to take the matter up with Judge Owens in whose court the case was being conducted, and Attorney Brouillett who is acting as special prosecutor.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $1409.43 on Demands 30-31-32, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:50 p. m.

Frank A. Lawler
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 5, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:30 p.m. In the absence of the President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi was unanimously chosen acting chairman.

Present: Mrs. F. G. Sanborn; Mrs. Sigmund Stern; Mr. John McLaren; Mr. Angelo J. Rossi; Mr. Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley; Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication was received from the California State Conference of Social Agencies asking that a representative of this department should be present at the conference at Riverside from May 5th to May 8th. On motion regularly moved and carried, Miss Hagan was authorized to be the official representative of the Playground Commission at the conference. The expenses of Miss Hagan to be borne by the Playground Commission.

Communication from Mrs. J. M. Brown, 1831 Larkin Street, asking that the property adjacent to Spring Valley Playground be secured for the purpose of enlarging the present playground, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer stating that he had already incorporated in the budget, a request for funds to secure this property.

Communication from Mrs. M. E. Berringer, Secretary of the Spring Valley Mothers' Club, asking that barbed wire be placed on the fences at Spring Valley Playground, was ordered filed. Secretary was directed to confer with the Chairman of the Grounds Committee with the idea of installing the barbed wire as suggested.

Communication from Timothy C. Lynch, Secretary District Council of Painters No. 8, advising the department of the present scale of painters' wages, was ordered filed. Secretary was directed to act in accordance with the scale in paying future wages of any painters employed in the department.

A communication from the Board of Supervisors notifying the Commission that the budget hearing for this department would be held at 4p.m. Thursday May 6th, was ordered filed, and the Chairman requested all the Commissioners to be present at the hearing, if possible.

The Superintendent reported that bids were received as follows, for washing the suits, trunks, and towels at the Mission and North Beach Bath Houses:

	-Diamond Laundry-	-Le Grand Laundry -	-Metropolitan Laundry -
Girls' Sateen Suits	$.06	$.035	$.035
Knitted Bathing "	.05	.035	.02
Boys' Trunks	.03	.02	.015
Towels	.015	1.15 per C	1.10 per C
		(Honeycomb Towels).80 " "	

	-Wardrobe Laundry-	San Francisco Laundry
Girls' Sateen Suits	$4.00 per C	$.03
Knitted Bathing "	2.50 " "	.03
Boys' Trunks	2.00 " "	.015
Towels	.50 " "	.015

The figures of the Metropolitan Laundry were found to be the lowest bid, and the Secretary was directed to communicate with the said laundry notifying them of the fact, and asking them to do the work in accordance with their bid. The Superintendent further reported that the Mission and North Beach Bath Houses were opened Monday, April 12, 1920, but owing to the recent cold spell, attendance has been below normal.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $1526.24 on Demands #33 and #34 were approved and ordered paid. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:55 p. m.

Rachel C. Hagan
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. May 19, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2:30 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read, subject to the ratification by the majority at the next regular meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from the Recreation Department, City of Oakland, inviting the members of the Commission to the Annual Spring Regatta to be held at Lake Merritt, Saturday afternoon, May 22nd, was ordered filed.

Communication forwarded from the Mayor's office from John J. Ryan, Secretary of the Bay View Community Club, asking that the Bay View Community Playground should be filled in, was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to answer, stating the matter had been referred to the Grounds Committee, with power to act.

Communication from the Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters, notifying this department that there will be a minimum wage schedule for carpenters of $9.00 per day, effective July 1st, 1920, was ordered filed.

The President, Rev. D. O. Crowley, reported that on Tuesday he visited the Mission, North Beach and Spring Valley Playgrounds, and found them in first class condition.

In discussing the publicity for this department, the Chairman appointed himself and Mr. A. J. Rossi, Committee on Publicity for the purpose of securing more space in the local newspapers for playground activities.

Superintendent reported that there was need for installing additional toilet facilities in the Margaret S. Hayward Playground. On motion regularly moved and carried, the Superintendent was directed to proceed with the work at once. He likewise reported that there was to be a dedication ceremony of the private playground in St. Francis Wood, and that there had been a request made by F. H. Hanley, Chairman of the Playground Committee of the St. Francis Wood Association, asking that some member of this commission should make the dedication speech on Sunday, May 23, 1920 at 3 p. m. The President appointed Mr. Angelo J. Rossi to deliver the dedication speech.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $1472.34 on Demands #35 and #36, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15 p. m.

Frank McLaughlin
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 23, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to ord this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Geo. E. Gallagher;
Henry B. Mills;
John McLaren;
Mrs. F. C. Sanborn;

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was postponed for the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from J. B. Nash, President of the Western District of the American Physical Education Association, asking that the Superintendent of this department be present at a meeting of State Superintendents in Oakland July 14th to 17th inclusive, was ordered filed. The Superintendent was directed to answer same, stating that he would be present at the meeting.

Communication from the American Red Cross, asking that this department should cooperate with that organization for the purpose of teaching as many children as possible, swimming during "Swimming Week". Was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to cooperate to his fullest extent.

Communication from the Mayor's Office acknowledging receipt of a communication from this department approving the new accounting system, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Mayor's Office asking that all the various departments of city government should decorate with flags, bunting, etc., during the presence of the delegates of the Democratic National Convention, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to carry out the directions as far as possible.

The Superintendent reported that an elaborate program had been arranged for the vacation period, consisting of rowing trips for boys, hiking trips for boys, swimming trips for girls, and hiking trips for girls.

On motion regularly moved and carried, it was decided when this meeting adjourned, that there would be no more meetings during the vacation period. The next meeting will be held subject to the call of the chair.

The bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $5598.98 on Demands 37,38,39 and 40 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p. m.

Frank C. Leach
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. August 11th, 1920.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., in the Assembly Room of the Commission, #376 City Hall, President D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. F.C.Sanborn;
Mr. H.B.Mills;
Mr. A. J. Rossi.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the meetings of May 19th and June 23rd, both minority meetings, were read and the actions taken therein approved, and considered as the actions of the majority.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from the office of the Mayor, enclosing a petition from Mrs. M. Mittlemar, 1049 Harrison Street, San Francisco, wherein permission is asked to sell Ice Cream and Candy at Southside Playground, 7th and Harrison Streets on Saturday and Sunday. Petition denied on the ground that the Playground Commission would not assume the responsibility for the sale of food stuffs on the Playgrounds.

A communication was received from Mr. E. J. Spaulding, American football Commissioner of the Olympic Club, asking permission to install a hot water shower system at the Southside Playground, at the expense of the Olympic Club. Ordered filed. The Secretary directed to reply stating that should such a system be installed, it must meet with the approval of the Superintendent, and immediately upon installation become the exclusive property of the Playground Commission.

A communication from Mr. Eustace F. Beixotto, announcing a meeting of the Boys' Council of the Community Service Recreation League, at the Hotel Bellevue on August 9th at 12:15, ordered filed.

A communication from Dr. William C. Hassler, Health Officer, Department of Public Health, stating that Spring Valley Playground was inadequate, and urging that increased space be acquired for the purpose of enlarging these grounds, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to answer, stating that the department had endeavored to secure funds in the last budget appropriation for the purpose of buying additional property for this playground. The request for these additional funds had not been met by the Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from James De Fuccom, Secretary of the Park Commission notifying this Commission that by deed of gift, to this department the cutting down of trees of Jefferson Square was prohibited, ordered filed. The Secretary directed to notify the Park Commission that the conditions imposed by the deed of gift would be lived up to.

A communication was received from the Laborers, Caretakers and Gardeners requesting that their wages be raised to $5.00 per day. Ordered filed.

MATTERS OF INTEREST

The Finance Committee reported that the following schedule of wages and salaries should be in force for the ensuing year.(Fiscal Year of 1920 and 1921.)

Secretary and Superintendent	per year	$	4200.00
Asst.Sec. and Asst.Superint.	" "		2700.00
Foreman per day $9.00			
Directors 13 at $125 per mo.	" "		19500.00
Directors 4 " $115 "	" "		5520.00
Col. and Instructor 1 @	" "		1332.00
Swimming Instructor 1 @	" "		1200.00
Caretaker Assistants 2 @	" "		1200.00
Office Assistant	" "		1380.00
Sunday Direct rs 10 at $5.00			
Holiday Direct rs 8 " $5.00			
Emergency Substitutes 10 at $4.00 per day			
Schoolyard Directors 8 at $90.00 per mo. for 10 mos.			
[illegible] at $[illegible] per mo. for [illegible] mos.			1170.00
Gardeners 6 at $5.00 per day			
Caretakers and Laborers 4 at $4.00 per day			
Carpenter 1 at $7.00 per day			
Plumber 1 at $8.00 per day.			

The Secretary was further directed by the Finance Committee to lay off at different periods the number of employees of the department in order to avoid the possibility of any deficit occurring in the Playground Funds for the years 1920 and 1921, and to notify the Mayor of the same.

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In discussing the purchase of property for this department it was the sense of the meeting that an effort be made to secure by purchase the Swift Property which at this time the Playground Commission leases and uses as a part of Mission Playground.

On motion of Mrs F.G.Sanborn, seconded by Commissioner Mr. Henry B.Mills, the Chairman was requested to name a committee of three, to determine if this purchase could be arranged at this time. Motion unanimously adopted.

The Chair appointed the following Committee: Mrs. F.G.Sanborn, Mr. Henry B. Mills and Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Bills and current expenses for the month of July and August were approved and ordered paid as follows:

Demands No. 1	$1193.33	
" " 2	476.53	
" " 3	1579.76	$3239.62
Salary warrants No. 1	1469.50	
" " 2	320.64	
" " 3	1961.80	$6632.24

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p. m. to call on his Honor the Mayor to discuss with him the proper solution for having the funds set aside by the Board of Supervisors for the development of the Southeast Mission Playground site, transferred to this department, in order that the work might be commenced at once.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 15, 1920.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting of August 11th 1920, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication forwarded from the Mayor's Office, from citizens of the Western Addition, requesting that the Flag at Hamilton Playground should be put up September 9th, was ordered filed. The Secretary explained that the flag was flown from Hamilton Playground every day.

Communication from the Social Workers' Alliance notifying this department that a meeting of their organization was to be held Tuesday, September 14th for the purpose of discussing health and hygiene, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Community Service Recreation League, notifying this department that a meeting of the Board Council would be held in the Hotel Bellevue, Monday, August 30th, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Mayor's Office stating that the members of this commission have been appointed on a committee for making all necessary arrangements for Boys' Week, October 2nd to 9th, 1920, was ordered filed.

Communication from J. S. Dunnigan, clerk of the Board of Supervisors, requesting the members of this commission to attend a meeting of the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Supervisors, Wednesday, September 8th, for the purpose of considering Charter Amendments, was ordered filed.

In discussing the Southeast Mission Playground, the Superintendent was directed to prepare plans for the purpose of converting that site into a playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Chairman was directed to appoint a committee of interest property in the Sea View District for the purpose of securing a playground site. The Chairman appointed Mr. Rossi, Chairman, and Mr. Mills, Mr. Lesser and Mr. [illegible] on the committee.

Bills and current expenses to date, were approved and ordered paid as follows:

Salary warrants No. 4	$1176.70	
" " 5	3451.71	
" " 6	1267.00	$5745.41
Demands No. 4	22.10	
" " 5	63.47	
" " 6	111.77	
" " [illegible]	40.14	237.48

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at [illegible]

Frank A Lawler
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 6, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent: Geo. E. Gallagher;
John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from Brogden-Becker Storage Company complaining of balls being batted on the warehouse adjoining Spring Valley Playground, was ordered filed and the Secretary was authorized to investigate the matter.

Communication from the North Beach Promotion Association asking information regarding the use of the Tennis Courts on the North Beach Playground to the detriment of the children, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer stating that adults were only allowed on the North Beach Tennis Courts on Saturday afternoons and Sundays, but never to the detriment of children.

Communication from Mrs. D. Lagormasino, 647 B. Bryant Street, complaining of windows being broken from balls batted from the Southside Playground, was ordered filed. Secretary was directed to answer asking Mrs. Lagormasino to report any broken windows to this department as soon as they occur and we will attend to the matter.

Communication from Alexander Bell representative of the Wallace and Tiernan Company for the Chlorine-Gunter Apparatus for swimming tanks, requesting that he be allowed to put in an experimental machine in both the North Beach and Mission Bath Houses, was ordered filed. Secretary directed to answer stating that the swimming season was practically over and it would be inadvisable to carry on the experiment at this time, but the matter will be taken up when the baths open next year.

Superintendent reported that the First Annual Girls' Swimming Meet was held Saturday September 18th with 218 participants. At the North Beach Baths, Hamilton Playground won the Junior Event, and the North Beach Playground the Senior Event. At Mission Baths, Bryton Schoolyard Playground won the Junior Event, and the Mission Playground won the Senior Event. The Annual Fall Field Days and Track Meets will start on Presidio Playground Oct. 9th, and Hamilton, Excelsior and Mission Playgrounds on October 13th, and on the other grounds on Oct. 16th.

Angelo J. Rossi, Chairman of the committee to investigate playground sites in the Bay View District, reported that he had visited Bay View District with Mr. John McLaren of the Playground Commission and Supervisors Ralph McLaren and Chas. Nelson. Several sites were visited and the committee finally received that the site proposed by John McLaren in the hollow of the Bay View hill was the most acceptable site, and the Supervisors agreed to decide by the decision. The report was ordered filed.

Mr. Rossi also reported that it was agreed that Mr. John McLaren in conjunction with the Board of Public Works should draw plans and specifications for the improvement of the Southeast Mission Playground. Such plans to be approved by the Playground Commission. On motion regularly moved and carried, the action of the committee was approved. The Chairman appointed a committee composed of Angelo J. Rossi, Henry B. Mills, John McLaren and Frank A. Lawler to inspect the plans as soon as they are completed and call a meeting of the Playground Commission to approve if same are satisfactory. It was the sense of the meeting that we should not surrender any of our rights to the Board of Works in the matter of the construction work to be undertaken on the Southeast Mission Playground.

Mrs. Sanborn reported that the Swift property in its entirety, as used as a playground, could be secured for fifty thousand dollars ($50,000.00). On motion made by Henry B. Mills and seconded by Angelo J. Rossi, it was unanimously carried that the Commission should take steps of securing this property, and the Secretary was directed to write to the Mission Promotion Association asking their co-operation in the matter, as it was quite likely that if this property was not secured immediately, it would be lost as a playground site.

In discussing Schoolyard Playgrounds, the Secretary was directed to take up with Miss McDonough of Fairmount School the possibility of operating a schoolyard playground at the Fairmount School.

Demands 8 and 9 amounting to $1243.35 and Payrolls 7,8 and 9 amounting to $6916.00 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:55 p. m.

Frank A. Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 15, 1920.

MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 11:30 a. m. by order of the President, Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Geo. E. Gallagher;
Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
John McLaren;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

The meeting was called to discuss Bill 5618, Ordinance 5241, of the Board of Supervisors, which reads as follows:

"Ordering plans and specifications for and the improvement of the East Mission Playground in accordance with said plans and specifications as approved by the Playground Commission; authorizing and directing the Board of Public Works to enter into contract for said improvement, and permitting progressive payments to be made during the progress of the work.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Public Works is hereby authorized, instructed and empowered to prepare plans and specifications for and to enter into contract for the improvement of the East Mission Playground in accordance with said plans and specifications as approved by the Playground Commission.

Section 2. The said Board of Public Works is hereby authorized and permitted to incorporate in the contract for the said improvement of the East Mission Playground conditions that progressive payments shall be made in the manner set forth in said specifications, as provided by Section 21, Chapter I, Article VI of the Charter.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Finally Passed -- Board of Supervisors, San Francisco, October 4, 1920. Ayes: Supervisors Bath, Deasy, Hayden, Miller, Hynes, Lahaney, McGeran, McSheehy, Mulvihill, Nelson, Power, Sonnitz, Scott, Shannon, Suhr, Welch, Wolfe.

Absent--Supervisor Rossi.

J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk.

Approved, San Francisco, October 5, 1920.

R. McGeran,
Acting Mayor."

Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher made the following motion, seconded by Mr. Henry B. Mills:

RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors rescind the ordinance, and ask that the funds be turned over to the Playground Commission so that we may proceed with the development of the Southeast Mission Playground.

Angelo J. Rossi proposed the following amendment: RESOLVED that we postpone action in the matter until the regular meeting Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1920, when we will have a full meeting. There was no second to the amendment. The original motion was adopted with the following vote: Ayes: Geo. E. Gallagher, Henry B. Mills, Father Crowley. Mr. Rossi cast vote.

The Secretary was directed to forward the following communication to the Board of Supervisors:

October 18, 1920.

Board of Supervisors,
City and County of San Francisco.

Gentlemen:

I am directed by the Playground Commission to call your attention to the following resolution passed by the Playground Commission in regular session on October __, 1920.

"Mr. Rossi also reported that it was agreed that Mr. John McLaren in conjunction with the Board of Public Works should draw plans and specifications for the improvement of the Southeast Mission Playground. Such plans to be approved by the Playground Commission. On motion regularly moved and carried, the action of the committee was approved. The Chairman appointed a Committee composed of Angelo J. Rossi, Henry B. Mills, John McLaren and Frank A. Lawler to inspect the plans of work as they are completed and call a meeting of the Playground Commission to approve if same are satisfactory. It was the sense of the meeting that we should not lose under any of our rights to the Board of Works in the matter of the construction work to be undertaken on the Southeast Mission Playground."

In accordance with the above resolution and recommendation, the following resolution was passed by the Playground Commission at a special session, October 14th, 1920 at 11:3[illegible] a. m. "Resolved that the Board of Supervisors be requested to rescind Bill 5618, Ordinance 5241, inasmuch as this ordinance is not in accordance with the resolution as quoted above, passed

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

at the regular meeting of the Playground Commission on October 6, 192 .*

The Playground Commission takes exception to the action of the Board of Supervisors detracting from the powers delegated by the City Charter to the Playground Commission as set forth in Section 5 of Article XIV-A "The Commissioners shall have complete and exclusive control, management, and direction of the aforesaid playgrounds and recreation centers and the exclusive right to erect and to superintend the erection of buildings and structures thereon, and to that end they may employ superintendents, surveyors, engineers, laborers, and other employees and assistants and prescribe and fix their duties, authority and compensation. They shall have the exclusive management and disbursement of all funds legally appropriated or received from any source for the support and equipment of the aforesaid playgrounds and recreation centers, provided, that such management of any real or personal property or moneys acquired by loan, gift, devise or bequest, is not inconsistent with the terms and conditions of the loan, gift, devise, or bequest. The Commissioners may purchase in the name of the City and County of San Francisco lands to be used as children's playgrounds and recreation centers, with any moneys legally appropriated for such purpose or acquired by gift, devise or bequest for such purpose," and especially requests that the funds set aside for the improvement of the Southeast Mission Playground be forthwith turned over to the Playground Commission to be expended by them in the improvement of this playground.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Frank A. Lawler,
Secretary.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 12:45 p.*

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 20, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m. In the absence of the Chairman, Rev. D. O. Crowley, on motion regularly moved and carried, Henry B. Mills was elected temporary chairman.

Present: Henry B. Mills;
Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
John McLaren.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Geo. E. Gallagher.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Mr. John McLaren presented plans for the development of the Southeast Mission Playground. On motion moved by Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, seconded by Henry B. Mills and unanimously adopted, the plans designated as plan "B" were adopted as the tentative plans for the development of the work in question.

Angelo J. Rossi

In discussing the proceedure of the development of these grounds, it was moved by Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, and unanimously adopted, that Mr. John McLaren should have the Board of Works prepare regular plans and specifications so that we can proceed with the work as soon as possible.

Bills and current expenses to date on the following Demands were approved and ordered paid:

Payroll Demand 10 .....$ 531.69
" " 1388.50

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p. m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 3, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent: Geo. E. Gallagher;
Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting held Oct. 20th, 1920 were approved as read. The minutes of the special meeting held Oct. 18th, 1920 were also approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication was received from the Y. W. C. A. inviting the members of the Commission to a celebration in the Y. W. C. A. building. The communication was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the invitation with thanks.

Communication from the Oakland Chamber of Commerce asking for information regarding the maintenance and operation of Municipal Golf Links, was ordered forwarded to the Park Commission, and the Secretary directed to notify W. T. Curtis, the acting secretary, of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce of the fact.

Communication from the Park Commission accompanying a petition from the Dubooe Park Playground Committee asking that playground apparatus be installed in Duboce Park, was ordered filed.

Communication from Florence Friedman of the Community Service Recreation League, asking that we install apparatus in the Visitacion Valley Playground, was ordered filed.

Communication from Mrs. Johanna Reich, 1640 Lyon Street, asking that this commission endeavor to obtain the property adjacent to the Presidio Heights Playground, for additional playground purposes, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Council of Social and Health Agencies, asking that a committee of three delegates be appointed from the Playground Commission to the Council, was ordered filed.

In discussing the communication from the Duboce Park Committee, on motion made by Mrs. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: That we acknowledge the receipt of the communication from the Duboce Park Committee enclosed in a communication from the Park Commission, and that the Secretary be directed to answer, stating that we have no funds for the development or the supervision of the property in question, but suggest that the Duboce Park Playground Committee take the matter up with the Board of Supervisors for the purpose of securing funds to transfer Duboce Park into a playground, and that this Commission would render all the assistance possible in furthering the project.

In discussing the communication from the Community Service Recreation League, the Secretary was directed to answer, stating that we have no funds available at this time for the work in question, but that the Supervisors might be requested to give the district under consideration, funds to carry on the contemplated work.

The Secretary was directed to answer the communication from Mrs. Johanna Reich, regarding the acquiring of property adjacent to Presidio Heights Playground, stating that this Commission had asked for funds to purchase this property in the Budget of 1920-1921, but the Board of Supervisors had failed to appropriate such funds, consequently it was impossible for us to do anything in the matter.

Regarding the question of sending delegates to the Council of Social and Health Agencies, on motion made by Mrs. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Stern, it was resolved that the Superintendent, Mr.Henry B. Mills, and Mrs. Sigmund Stern would represent this Commission in the Council.

Additional plans were presented by Mr. McLaren for the development of the Southeast Mission Playground. On motion made by Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Sanborn, it was unanimously adopted that the plans noted as scheme "E" would be the official plans for this work, and the President appointed a committee composed of Mr. McLaren, Mr. Mills, Mr. Rossi, Mrs. Stern, and Mr. Lawler with power to act, and see that the plans were carried out.

Bills and current expenses to date on the following demands were approved and ordered paid.

Demand 11 .....$213.42 and Demand 12....$405.00
Payroll " 11 ....$2948.75 and Payroll Demand 12...$1950.55.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned at the hour of 4:00p. m.

Frank A Lawler
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 1, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Angelo J. Rossi;
John McLaren;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent: Mr. Geo. E. Gallagher;
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from Frank Fischer, Secretary of the North Beach Promotion Association complaining of adults reserving tennis courts to the detriment of the children, of crap shooting in the neighborhood of the North Beach Playground, and about the sand in the sand box not having been removed for the period of one year, was ordered filed. On motion made be Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Sigmund Stern, and unanimously carried, the Secretary was directed to notify the North Beach Promotion Association, that the Playground Commission had adopted a policy in line with their communication regarding the use of North Beach Playground by adults. This resolution has been adopted in view of the fact that the Funston Square is in the vicinity of the North Beach Playground, and affords ample recreation for adults. The Secretary was directed further to state that as to the matter of crap shooting in the neighborhood of the North Beach Playground, the Commission is of the opinion that that is a matter for the police, and that we will attend to anything inside of the playgrounds. Also that the Association had been misinformed regarding the sand in the sand box at North Beach, as the statement that the sand had not been changed in over a year is absolutely incorrect.

Communication from F. H. Ainsworth Jr., Law Department, S. P. Co., complaining of the fact that a schoolboy had been ruled off one of the tennis courts of one of the playgrounds, Sunday afternoon, owing to the fact that the tennis courts were reserved for adults on holidays, was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to answer asking additional data so that the matter can be thoroughly investigated.

Communication from Council of Social and Health Agencies, notifying the Commission that the list of delegates from this department was forwarded to the Board of Representatives of the Council and would be presented at the next regular meeting.

The Superintendent reported that the committee to investigate the work at the Southeast Mission Playground, composed of Angelo J. Rossi, Henry B. Mills, John McLaren and Frank Lawler, had directed him to proceed forthwith with the grading of the property in question and directed him to expend a sum approximately $1000.00 for the work.

On motion made by Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Sigmund Stern, it was unanimously adopted that the Grounds Committee should proceed with the carrying out of the plans for the development of the Southeast Mission Playground as soon as funds were available for that purpose.

The Secretary was directed to prepare plans for the development of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground, and to prepare estimates of the cost of same.

A committee composed of Rev. D. O. Crowley and the Secretary, was directed to interview the Mission Promotion Association for the purpose of securing the transfer of the Swift Property to this department for the use of the playground. On motion made by Mrs. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Stern, it was unanimously adopted that all large expenditures should be reported to the Commission where final action should be taken.

Bills and current expenses to date, on the following demands were approved and ordered paid:

Payroll Demands	#13	$1041.25
	14	1353.04
	15	1278.60
Demands	13	$ 429.05
	14	313.68
	15	329.98

On motion regularly moved and carried the following resolution was adopted:

(over)

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

WHEREAS God in his infinite wisdom has called from our midst, David Augustus White, Chief of Police of the City and County of San Francisco, and

WHEREAS because of the honorable and efficient discharge of his duties as an official, he has won the respect and esteem of his fellow citizens; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Playground Commission that the death of Chief White is a sericus loss to the community, and we take this occasion to express our regret, and to extend our sincere sympathy to his family and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this meeting adjourn out of respect to his memory, and that a copy of the resolution be sent to the wife of the late Chief.

M. Philomena Hogan
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. December 10, 1920.

SPECIAL EXECUTIVE MEETING

A Special Executive Meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;

Absent: Mr. Geo. E.Gallagher.

The resignation of Mr. Frank A. Lawler as Secretary and Superintendent was read and accepted by unanimous vote. A motion was made by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Sanborn, and carried that in accepting the resignation which is to take effect on December 15, 1920, a letter of commendation for official services be addressed to Mr. Frank A. Lawler, and also incorporated in the minutes of this meeting.

To the Honorable Playground Commission
of the City and County of San Francisco.

Gentlemen:

I hereby tender to you my resignation as Secretary of your Honorable body and as Superintendent of Playgrounds of San Francisco.

In severing my connection with you, I desire to express my sincere appreciation of the uniform kindness and courtesy which you have always exhibited in your treatment of me, which I have endeavored to reciprocate to the best of my ability, by strict attention to my official duties.

I tender my resignation, not as an admission that I have done any wrong, but to save from embarassment, yourselves and Hon. James Rolph Jr., Mayor. I emphatically deny the cruel and unjust charges published in the press that I endeavored to procure the release from jail, of the infamous creatures recently arrested for attacks on women. These men, and the crimes committed by them are as abhorent to me as they are to you and all other decent citizens. The statement published in the daily papers that I approached police officials for the purpose of securing the release on bail of these men or any of them, is absolutely false and libelous. I challenge my enemies to produce a single witness to prove that I spoke to any police official or to any member of the District Attorney's office, or to any other public official for the purpose of procuring bail or securing the release of any of these men.

My only fault has been, if it be a fault, that I have been connected with one of the clubs in San Francisco under whose auspices boxing matches have been conducted. Unfortunately, some men whose antecedents were unknown to the club, participates in the contests. My connection with this club, however, in no manner prevented me from fully and properly performing my official duties, as is evidenced by the character of work done by me during my official term.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Frank A. Lawler.

Mr. Frank A. Lawler,
San Francisco.

Dear Sir:

Your resignation of this date, as Secretary of the Playground Commission and Superintendent of Playgrounds of San Francisco is hereby accepted.

In accepting your resignation, we express our strong commendation of the manner in which you have performed your official duties.

Wishing you every success in the future, we remain

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Helen P. Sanborn
Rosalie M. Stern
Angelo J. Rossi
D.O.Crowley
John McLaren
Henry B. Mills

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Mr. James I Herz was placed on nomination as Secretary at a salary of $175.00 per month, by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, the motion was seconded by Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, and was unanimously carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:00 p. m.

Henry B Mills

Secretary ProTem.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. Dec. 29, 1920.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the regular meeting held December 1, 1920, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The notification from his Honor the Mayor, of the appointment of Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale, to the Commission vice Mrs. F. G. Sanborn resigned, was read and Mrs. Hale duly seated as a member of the Board of Playground Commissioners.

A communication from the Board of Supervisors, asking that the Playground Commission designate a preference for one of the two sites proposed for the Bay View Playground, ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to the Board stating that a recommendation would be made as requested.

A communication from Mr. W. F. Benedict, Assistant Secretary to the Mayor enclosing a letter from Martin Tonnimsen of 2102 Castro Street, asking that a baseball backstop be erected on a vacant lot at 28th and Castro Street, read and ordered filed. The Secretary directed to reply stating that the lot in question, not being under the jurisdiction of this department, it would be impossible to grant the request. Referred to Community Service Recreation League.

Communication from the Board of Works with preliminary sketch of Field House for Southeast Mission Playground site, received and on motion of Mr. John McLaren, seconded by Mr. Angelo Rossi, the Secretary directed to return sketch to the Board of Works with the request that new plans be prepared along the lines of the Field House at Hamilton Playground, and that estimated cost be materially lowered. It is further requested that the plans include a convenience station in the basement, with entrance from the street, this station to be built for the accomodation of the employees of the municipal railway, and to be in lieu of any other convenience on any other location on playground.

A communication from J. C. Astredo, asking that this Commission prepare an exhibit for the State Conference of Social Agencies, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Astredo that such display would be arranged.

It was the sense of the meeting that Mr. James I. Herz, and Miss M. Philomene Hagan, gather together such pictures and pamphlets best suited for such an exhibit, and that they make all necessary arrangements with Mr. J. C. Astredo for the proper display of same.

Communication from Miss Jeffie McMahon of Emerson, Arkansas, asking information relative to the San Francisco Playground Department ordered filed, the information requested having been forwarded.

A communication from Moskovitz and Herbach, offering for sale 6000 Indoorbaseball bats at $.60 each was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to notify the firm that this department is not in the market for that particular commodity at this time, being fully stocked.

Application from E. J. Spaulding, Athletic Commissioner of the Olympic Club, for the position of Secretary to this Commission, ordered filed.

Communication from A. W. Kern, Manager of the San Francisco Independent Mid-Winter Baseball League, calling attention to conditions at Excelsior Playground on Sunday during the baseball games, ordered filed. Mr. Herz reported that he and Father Crowley upon investigation, found conditions at Excelsior most satisfactory.

Report of Mr. Herz:

Basketball goals at Southside being replaced.

North Beach Playground

Advisability of taking overflow from showers in Boys' and Girls' Shower Room into tanks by means of pipe and blocking present outlet instead of having water from showers go into sewer, as at present.

Skylight over boys' toilet and store room is in very bad condition. Glass broken and there are several leaks. Door leading into store room in very bad condition. Referred to Grounds Committee to report at next regular meeting. Mr. Herz instructed to get estimates on cost of proposed repair work on skylight for report at next meeting.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Richmond Playground

Advisability of extending wire on north wall, three or four feet higher than at present. Referred to Grounds Committee to report at next meeting.

Hamilton Playground

Close vent in boys' toilet. Mr. Herz instructed to have same closed.
Install electric lights. Mr. Herz to secure estimate of cost.
Advisability of changing present woman director's room into boys' dressing room. Woman director taking over present boys' dressing room for her office, and for use as a girls' dressing room. In this way giving the girls an entrance on the opposite side of the Field House from that of the boys. Too close to boys' toilet. Referred to Grounds Committee to report at next meeting of Commission.
Removal of tree near hand ball court. Motion of Mr. McLaren, tree to remain.

Spring Valley Playground

Advisability of stretching wire netting on west wall.
Referred to Grounds Committee for report at next meeting.

Presidio Heights Playground

Raise drinking fountain. Mr. Herz instructed to do so.

Margaret S. Hayward Playground

Advisability of removing bushes in northwest corner of playground. Referred to Grounds Committee with power to act.

Bills and current expenses to date, on the following demands, were approved and ordered paid:

Payroll Demands:	#16	$1052.00
	#17	2780.00
	#18	617.75
	#19	661.50
Demands:	#16	587.38
	#17	258.66
	#18	546.00

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour at 4:05 p. m.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 5, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2:30 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. PrentissCobb Hale;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

This being the first meeting of the year 1921, the first order of business was the election of President. On motion of Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Henry B. Mills, Rev. D. O. Crowley was nominated for President of the Commission. Nominations were then declared closed, and Rev. D. O. Crowley, unanimously elected President of the Commission.

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A communication was received from Friedman Bros., enclosing an estimate of $475.00 to include the following: Furnishing and installing 400 lights in sidewalk, 100 lights in ventilator, and patching strip of cement along wall, at the North Beach Playground. It was the sense of the Commission that this expenditure could not be met at this time, and the Superintendent was therefore instructed to make temporary repairs, and the Secretary directed to notify Friedman Bros. that the Commission could not proceed with the work as outlined in their letter of January 3d.

A communication was received from the Board of Public Works, acknowledging receipt of plans of the Southeast Mission Playground site which were returned by this department, and further stating that revised drawings would be prepared as per request.

An application was received from Miss Freda Clooney of Esparto, California, asking for a position as Playground Instructor, was ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to notify Miss Clooney that there were no vacancies in the department at this time.

Three communications were received from the Secretary of the North Beach Promotion Association. The first asking that North Beach Playground be lit at night, the second that a man be appointed to have partial charge of the North Beach Playground, and third that modifications be made with regard to the use of tennis courts by adults. All three letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to address a communication to Dr. Frank Fischer, stating that Mr. Henry B. Mills, Chairman of the Play Committee would be pleased to meet Dr. Fischer and discuss with him the entire situation relative to the North Beach Playground.

A communication was received from Mr. Ray Dougherty, Supervisor of Athletics of theP.S.A.L., announcing preliminary arrangements for the annual soccer schedule to open Jan. 31st, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

A communication from the Public Library of the City of Seattle, asking that the Institution be placed on our mailing list was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply stating that all public documents issued by this department would in future be forwarded.

REPORT OF THE GROUNDS COMMITTEE -Mr. John McLaren, Chairman.

Recommended that wire netting be placed on the west wall of Richmond Playground, thus raising the present fence three or four feet, the latter estimate presented by Mr. Herz from the Standard Fence Company, viz: $60.00 for fence installed complete. On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, the recommendation was approved.

That former order to have drinking fountain at Presidio Playground raised, be rescinded and fountain remain as is, was approved.

That barb wire be placed on top of fence around entire area of Spring Valley Playground was approved.

That dead tree near gate at southwest corner of North Beach Playground be removed; that barb wire be placed on top of wall of swimming tank, that those places in skylight above boys' toilet where glass is broken be cemented in, and lastly that a low hedge not over one foot high be placed at top of terrace, box wood being preferable, on motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, were approved.

In discussing the convenience station at Hamilton Playground, it was the sense of the meeting that the present fence at Hamilton should be so arranged as to permit of entrance from the street to the public lavatories for the men on the southeast and for the women on the southwest end of present field house, at the same time maintaining the present entrance for the children which is from the playground side. On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, Mr. Herz was instructed to procure estimates for this change.

With reference to the suggested change in the present dressing rooms at Hamilton, on motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, Mr. Herz was instructed to make this change.

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That corral at Margaret S. Hayward Playground be thoroughly cleaned out, and that fence around same be removed, with a view to using this space for small children, was approved.

That a small iron fence be constructed around the Field House at foot of slope. On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. McLaren, it was suggested that small hedge protected by wire netting be planted, in place of iron fence, was approved.

That drinking fountain, located near boys' lavatory be removed to a more level part of the grounds, preferable near hedge dividing small children's section from baseball field, was approved.

NEW BUSINESS

In discussing the Southeast Mission Playground site, it was the sense of the Commission that this playground should hereafter be designated as the James Rolph Playground, and Rev. D. O. Crowley, appointed a committee of one to call on the Mayor, and notify him officially that it was the desire of the Playground Commission to so name this playground.

On motion of Rev. D.O.Crowley, seconded by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, the Secretary was directed to forward to the Board of Supervisors, the following resolution:

Resolved that the Board of Supervisors be requested to set aside for a playground site, that piece of property lying adjacent to Railroad Avenue, either on the north or south side of Armstrong Street, the South side however being preferable. It was unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. John McLaren, the Secretary was directed to forward the following resolution to the Board of Supervisors:

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Resolved that the Board of Supervisors be requested to set aside at a future date, for a playground site that piece of property facing the bay at the end of Thirtieth Avenue, South. It was unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, and unanimously carried, Mr. Herz was directed to prepare a sheet, which is to be filled out by carpenters, painters, caretakers and laborers, giving daily record of work accomplished by them, this record to be forwarded to the office every Saturday.

On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. McLaren, Mr. Herz was directed to ask the Board of Works to repair the sidewalks at Hamilton Playground.

The President then announced that the Commission would go into Executive Session.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Henry B. Mills, the former action of the Commission in appointing Mr. James I. Herz, Secretary of the Playground Commission, was rescinded, and same was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Henry B. Mills, Miss M. Antoinette Hogan was appointed Secretary of the Commission, and Director of Play Activities. Same was unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, and unanimously carried, Mr. James I. Herz was appointed Superintendent of Construction, and Maintenance of Ground and Buildings.

Moved by Henry B. Mills, Seconded by Mr[illegible].

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of [illegible] P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

[signature]

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 19, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:00 p. m., President, Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs.Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale;
Mrs. F.G. Sanborn;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mr. HenryB. Mills.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A committee of citizens, residing in the vicinity of the James Lick School, with Mr. H. May Chairman, appeared before the Playground Commission to ask that the balance of $500.00 remaining in the appropriation for the James Lick School-yard Improvement, be spent by the Playground Commission for apparatus on the aforesaid schoolyard. The Committee was advised that that balance was in the hands of the Supervisors, never having been transferred to this department, and also that the Playground Commission would be pleased to place apparatus on said ground and be responsible for the supervision of same, on receipt of necessary funds from the Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from Mr. ChesterRosekrans, Secretary of Community Service, containing the information that a baseball backstop would be erected at 28th and Castro Streets in the near future, This is in view of a letter from Martin Tonninsen, referred through this office to him.

A communication from M. J. Kast, Superintendent of Supplies, Board of Supervisors, requesting this department to file not later than Feb.15th, an estimate of the stationery, books, etc., required by this department for the coming fiscal year was received and ordered filed. The Secretary was directed to prepare the list as requested.

A communication was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors requesting an inventory of the personal property under the control of this department on December 31st 1920, ordered filed. The Secretary directed to prepare the inventory as requested.

A communication was received from the Auditor, asking that we furnish that office with all information necessary for the issuance of the city license for our automobile for the year 1921. Ordered filed, and theSecretary directed to furnish the information requested.

The Superintendent presented the following report: For Week ending,Jan.12th.

James Rolph Playground — Leveling of subgrade completed.
One-third area on northern part covered with 4inches of rock.
Eight men of department engaged in the work.
In discussing the James Rolph Playground, on motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, Mr. McLaren was given full power to act regarding surfacing to be used on aforesaid playground.

Richmond Playground — Wire fence completed.

North Beach Playground
1. Tree near gate removed.
2. Pac. Gas andElec.Co. have filled in hole at foot of slide.
3. Repair of skylight over boys' lavatory, completed.
4. Bushes for hedge ordered from Park, ground ready for same.
New Wk. 5. The approximate estimate for installation of arc lights, $600.00, and cost to light three cents per kilowat, or about $15.00 per month.

Hamilton Playground
1. Work on dressing rooms under way.
2. Change in fence awaiting authorization by Commission.
3. New Work. Wooden floor in offices authorized.

Southside Playground — Estimates for removing girls' lavatory to section of playground directly adjacent to girls' play space,to be ready at next meeting of Commission.

Bills and current expenses to date, on the following demands were approved and ordered paid:

Pay Roll Demand	# 20	$1268.00
Supply Demand	# 19	556.54
" "	# 20	612.00

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

[signature]

Secretary

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San Francisco.

San Francisco. February 2, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p. m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mrs. Prentis Cobb Hale;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mr. John McLaren;
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

A copy of the petition, signed by Mr. J. G. Pappageorge 745 Harrison Street and addressed to the Board of Supervisors, was sent to this office. The petition requests a playground in the yard of the Rincon School on Silva Street at 2nd. Same was ordered filed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two communications were received from Mr. J. C. Astredo, one acknowledging our letter announcing plans of the Commission to place an exhibit at the California Conference of Social Agencies, and the second asking for membership in that association, were ordered filed.

Applications for positions as playground directors were received as follows: From Irma Leaver, Riverton, Utah, from Miss Bessie Fox, Mesa, Arizona, and from Leland Stanford, 1901 Pacific Avenue, San Francisco. Same were ordered filed, the Secretary having acknowledged their receipt.

Communication was received from Mrs. M. R. Norris, Secretary of the Board of Education granting permission for the Girls' Club of Excelsior to meet in the Auditorium of the Monroe School at night. The Secretary directed to make final arrangements with theBoard.

Recommendations of the Play Committee, presented by Mr. Henry B. Mills, Chairman.

1st. That no winter vacations be assigned playground directors this year. On motion of Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. J. McLaren, recommendation approved, and the Play Committee given full power to act.

2nd. That a man be secured at once to supervise Jackson Playground on Sunday. That two men be employed at Southside Playground on Sundays during the baseball season. Referred to the Play Committee with power to act.

3rd. That theman at present supervising play at Southside Playground 7th and Harrison, be removed. Referred to the Play Committee with power to act.

4th. That the question of lighting North Beach Playground at night be given consideration at this time. On motion of Mr. A. J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. John McLaren, the following resolution was adopted:

The plans of the North Beach Promotion Association for the lighting of the North Beach Playground and supervision of same at night, are approved by this commission, but this commission is not in a financial position to comply with this request at this time.

The concensus of opinion of the Playground Commission is that it would be a good plan to light the North Beach Playground and place a supervisor in charge during the evening hours. The estimated cost for installing the necessary arc lights is $600.00 and the lighting charge would be approximately $15.00 per month. If the co-operation of the North Beach Promotion Association could be secured and the funds for additional supervisionobtained in the next budget, then it would be advisable to go ahead with the work, but unless the necessary funds can be secured it is not feasible to proceed at this time.

5th. That adults be permitted to play tennis at North Beach Playground on Saturdays after three p. m. and part of Sunday. Referred to the Play Committee with power to make such arrangements as they in their judgment deem most advisable.

On motion of Mr. A. J. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Sigmund Stern, the following resolution was adopted: Plans for the developmentof the Margaret S.Hayward Playground be prepared at once. The President appointed the following committee: Mr. J. McLaren, Mr. HenryB. Mills, Miss M. Philomene Hagan, Mr. James I. Herz.

Bills and current expenses to date, on the following demands were approved and ordered paid: Pay Roll Demands 21-$2605.50 and 22 $1311.00
Supply Demand 21-$400.83

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomene Hagan

SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 16, 1921.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m. by Pres. Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. F. G.Sanborn;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. P. C. Hale.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Mr. I. Beck, representing the Fillmore Street Improvement Association and the Civic League of Improvement Clubs, appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground, stating that the associations that he represented would gladly co-operate with this department in securing from the Board of Supervisors in the next fiscal budget, the funds necessary for the completion of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground.

Rev. D. O. Crowley, President of the Commission, assured Mr. Beck that his co-operation would be greatly appreciated by this department.

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Communication was received from Dr. Arthur O'Neil, City Physician, certifying to the correctness of the report of injury to Mr. August Wrede, as presented by Dr. L. Hirschkowitz, and suggesting that compensation be paid Mr. Wrede from December 3 to Jan. 3, 1921. Recommendation approved.

Communication from E. H. Sanderson, Chairman Athletic Committee of the S. F. Federal Reserve Bank, requesting this department to reserve for the use of the tennis clubs of that institution a court on Saturday afternoons after 2:30, or sometime on Sunday. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same stating this being a children's playground department, it would be impossible to grant the request.

Communication from Marjorie E. Carlos, of Fallon Nevada, placing application for a position as playground director, ordered filed. Secretary directed to reply to same stating that there are no vacancies in the department at this time.

Communication from John L. Silvey, Chairman of the Association of Clubs of Bernal Heights announcing a mass meeting for Sunday, Feb. 13, at Holly Park, was ordered filed.

Communication from John Rodgers, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, announcing that the mass meeting scheduled for Holly Park, Sunday Feb. 13, had been postponed. Ordered filed.

Communication from His Honor, the Mayor, in the interests of the purchase of the Spring Valley Water Company, was ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. Ralph McLeran, Chairman Executive Committee for the purchase of the Spring Valley, thanking this department for their courtesy in forwarding to the Mayor's Office the names of all employees of this department, ordered filed.

A communication from Mr. Morris Blache, addressed to Mr. Chaffee, of the Photographic Department of the City andCounty of San Francisco, was forwarded to this department. Permission was requested therein to take pictures of the San Francisco Playgrounds to be used in advertising the City and County. Permission was granted and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Chaffee that the pictures might be taken under the supervision of the Secretary and Superintendent of this department.

Request of Miss Aileen Jones for an extension of herleave of absence for a period of two months, was granted, and a further recommendation made that should her physician so advise, additional time will be granted her. Secretary directed to notify Miss Jones, accordingly.

In discussing the State Conference of Social Agencies, the Secretary was directed to prepare a small pamphlet which is to be distributed to the delegates interested in recreation.

A request from Mr. Richard F. Cassidy, Scout Master, Troup 45, to use the auditoriumof Jackson Playground on Wednesday nights, was approved. Permission was granted as requested.

The report of the Superintendent for the week ending Feb. 9th, was approved as read, and authorization given for the following specific piece of work contained therein: The Superintendent was directed to proceed with the tearing down of the Handball Courts at Hamilton Playground, on offer of Symon Bros., to remove same for the salvage.

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Bills and current expenses to date were approved and ordered paid, on the following Demands:

Pay Roll Demand		23	$1361.50
Supply	"	22	692.33
"	"	23	276.00

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 2nd 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called toorder this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the officeof the Commission, Rev. D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mr. John Mc Laren.

Absent: Mrs. F. G. Sanborn,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mrs. prentiss Cobb Hale.

MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Communications

A communication from the North Beach Promotion Association, under date of February 19th, requesting this department to ask for sufficient funds in the next budget for the lighting of North Beach Playground at night, and for the services of a man supervisor during the evening hours, was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

A second communication from the North Beach Promotion Association under date of March 3rd relative to the same subject and offering to meet with the Board in the interests of this project was ordered filed.

A communication from Miss Florence Musto, Secretary of the California Federation of Womens Clubs asking this department to display pictures during Childrens week at the Civic Auditorium was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to make the exhibit as requested.

A communication was received from Mr. David Cronin, offering for sale a piece of property in the University Mound District, bounded by Bacon Somersett, Wayland and Goettingen Streets, was received and the Secretary directed to forward same to the Board of Supervisors, the purchase of property being directly under the control of that Honorable Board.

A communication from Chester Rosekrans, Executive Secretary of the Community Service Recreation League, suggesting certain locations for playgrod sites in the Bay View District was received and ordered filed.

A communication from John Rogers, Acting Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, requesting that all budget estimates be ready by March 15th was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to call a spcial meeting of the Commission for Friday March 11th at 10 a.m.

In discussing the James Rolph Jr., Playground the following resolutions were adopted.

Motion of Mr. Mc Laren seconded by Mr. Mills, that Chair appoint a committee to confer with the Board of Public Works, and the Superintendent of the Geary Street Railroad with the idea of coming to a better understanding regarding the lavatory facilities to be installed in the field house of the James Rolph Playground. Committee Rev. D. O. Crowley and Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Motion of Mr. Mc Laren, seconded by Mr. Mills, that Superintendent be authorized to proceed with the purchase of all necessary pipe for both the northerly and southerly section of the playground.

On motion of Mr. Mills seconded by Mr. Rossi, the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the remaining grading, and the placing of all -necessary temporary fences around the entire area of the James Rolph Jr., Playground.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Rossi the superintendent was authorized to have new plans drawn for the field house at the James Rolph Jr., Playground, and was instructed to secure figures on a concrete building.

On motion of Mr. Mills seconded by Mr. Rossi, the Superintendent was further directed to secure estimates on an iron fence similar to the one at Hamilton Playground, fence to be six feet high.

In discussing the Missi n Playground, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, the City and County of San Francisco now owns that piece of property situate at 19th and Angelica Streets, and occupied by the Mission Bathi and

WHEREAS the property fromline of bath house south to the fence line is rented by the City and County, and used as a part of the Mission Playground, and

WHEREAS THE property is now offered for sale by the Swift Estate

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at a nominal sum, and

WHEREAS THE failure to acquire same would be an irreparable loss to the Playground Department, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Boardof Supervisots be requested to purchase said property for the completion of Mission Playground.

Bills and current expenses for the month amounting to $ 6192.84 were approved and ordered paid as follows:

Payroll Demand	No	24	$2640.00
"	"	25	1426.90
"	"	26	1390.50
Supply Demand	"	24	735.44
			$6192.84

Therebeing no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 23, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. F. C. Sanborn;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. P. C. Hale;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Dr. Martin A. Meyer, Pres. of the California Conference of Social Work thanking the Playground Commission for the exhibit made during the recent Conference of Social Work. WAs ordered filed.

Communication from W. J. Fitzgerald, Secretary of the Board of Public Works notifying the Commission that the Bureau of Architecture had been directed to prepare plans and specifications for an iron fence at the James Rolph Jr. Playgrcund in accordance with request of this department. Was ordered filed.

Communication was received from Elsie C. Barnes, Corresponding Secretary of the California Club notifying the Playground Commission that the Board of Directors of the California Club had passed a re olution whereby the Commission might rent the California Club Hall for the activities of their Girls' Clubs at the nominal rental of $5.00 a night. This arrangement in connection with special activities of the club, only.

A communication from Mr. Edward Rainey, Exec. Secretary of the Mayor calling the attention of heads of all departments to the resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors on March 14th relative to a recess on Good Friday between the hours of 12 and 3 o'clock.

Communication from John J. O'Toole, President of the Reverent Observance of Good Friday Movement, requesting All City Departments to observe a recess from 12 to 3 on Good Friday. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to make arrangements whereby those employees so desiring might takeadvantage of such recess.

A communication from the Secretary of the Columbia Heights Improvement Club calling the attention of the Playground Commission to the equipment of Balboa Park ordered filed and Secretary directed to forward the communication to the Park Commission.

A communication from Mr. John J. Mooney, Director of Jackson Playground requesting a leave of absence for a period of six months was received and granted as requested. Secretary directed to notify Mr. Mooney that they could give him no assurance of his reinstatement at the expiration of the leave.

Report of the James Rolph Jr. Playground: In discussing the Asphalt Surfacing of the James Rolph Jr. Playground, on motion of Mr. Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, the Secretary was directed to advertise in the usual way, calling for bids to be received and opened at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

On motion of Mr. A. J. Rossi, seconded by Mr. H. B. Mills, the Secretary was directed to address a communication to the Park Commission asking that they provide the trees necessary for the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

On motion of Mr. John McLaren, seconded by Mr. Henry B. Mills, the Superintendent was authorized to procure by purchase or otherwise the loam necessary for the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $2962.43 were approved and ordered paid.

Payroll Demand		26	$1390.50
Supply	"	25	1287.63
"	"	26	284.30
			$2962.43

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomene Hagan

SEC. PRO TEM.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 6, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p. m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Prentiss C. Hale.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Bids for the laying of an asphalt surface one inch in thickness on rock sub-base now in place on the northerly portion of the James Rolph Jr. Playground at Army Street and Potrero Avenue were received and opened as follows:

Eaton and Smith, five and three quarters cents per sq. ft. ($.0575)
Raisch Improvement Co. five and four tenths " " " " ($.054)

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Rossi, Raisch Improvement Company was declared the lowest bidder, and the Secretary directed to draw up the necessary contract, and to notify the Raisch Improvement Company their bid had been accepted by the Playground Commission.

A Communication was received from Mr. John S. Gutleben, of Alameda, notifying the PlaygroundCommission where several whale boats might be purchased at a greatly reduced figure, and suggested that boating be developed in the waters of the bay at the foot of Van Ness Avenue. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Ray Daugherty, Director of Athletics in the Public Schools of San Francisco, announcing the Thirteenth Annual Track and Field Meet of the P.S. A. L. at Stadium Golden Gate Park, Saturday April 30th, at 1:30 p. m., and requesting permission for weighing in at Southside Playground on Wednesday, April 20th and Thursday April 21st. Ordered filed, and permission granted as requested.

The Superintendent reported that Superintendent Boeken of the Municipal Railway Co. had agreed to contribute the sum of $500.00 toward defraying the expenses of the Field House at the James Rolph Jr. Playground. On motion of Mr. McLaren seconded by Mr. Rossi the Superintendent was directed to arrange a meeting on Monday, April 11th at 10 a. m. for thepurpose of changing the plans of the Field House of the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

The Superintendent requested permission to have the fences and field houses of the department repainted at this time. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Sanborn, permission was granted and the Superintendent directed to have the department painter do the work suggested.

In discussing the acquisition by this department of the building located on Sacramento Street between Webster and Buchanan Streets and occupied as a branch library, it was brought to light that the building was the property of the Board of Education, and the Secretary directed to communicate with that Board requesting transfer.

At the request of Mr. Mills, Chairman of the Play Committee, the Secretary made the following recommendations:

That Mr. Emile Larrecou be appointed to the Mgt. S. Hayward Playground, in charge of boys' work;
That Mr. Thomas O'Neill be appointed to Mission Playground in charge of boys' work;
That Mr. Robert Rankin be appointed at Jackson Playground, vice Mr. Mooney on leave;
That Mrs. Fitzpatrick be appointed assistant director at Richmond Playground;
That Mr. Maurice Conklin be appointed to Southside vice Mr. Harry Tiedemann resigned.
That Mr.Kearns and Mrs. Johnson be appointed in charge of the Mission Bath House.
Recommendations unanimously approved.

The Director of Activities announced that April 11th would be opening day for the swimming season of 1921, and requested permission to purchase the necessary towels and suits. Permission for such purchase granted.

Finance Committee of the
On Recommendation of the Playground Commission, the salary of Miss M. Philomene Hagan, Secretary was increased to $250.00 per month, and that of Mr. James I. Herz, Superintendent to $200.00 per month, to take effect commencing April 1, 1921. Unanimously approved.

The Budget for the fiscal year 1921 was adopted as follows:

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BUDGET - FISCAL YEAR - 1921-1922

PERSONAL SERVICE

	No.	Rate	Amt.
Secretary		$250	$ 3000.00
Superintendent		$200	2400.00
Chief Clerk and Stenographer		125	1500.00
Male Directors	5		7500.00
" "	3		3960.00
Female Directors.	11		16500.00
" "	1		1320.00
" "	2		2400.00
Swimming Instructors	2		2700.00
Bath House Assts.	2		1800.00
School Yard Directors	3		2700.00
" " "	2		1200.00
Sunday Directors, Male.	9		1638.00
" Director "	1		260.00
" " s, Female	10		1560.00
Carpenter	1	$9 day	2700.00
Painter	1	8.50 "	2550.00
Laborers	18	6.00 "	32400.00
Emergency Workers			2800.00
Total			$90888.00

RECAPITULATION

Personal Service	$90,888.00
Contractual Service	17,200.00
Materials and Supplies	9,200.00
Equipment	3,000.00
Rents	600.00
Improvements	44,000.00
Land Purchases	111,000.00
Grand Total ----	$275,888.00

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Remarks, Sheet

Rents $600.00. This includes the rent we now pay for property adjacent to Mission Bath House and S. F. Gymnastic Club, on Sutter Street which is used every Monday night for the activities of the Hamilton Girls' Club.

Improvements
$44,000.00 as follows:

MARGARET S. HAYWARD PLAYGROUND, $3000.00 for completion of area now in use, and $12,000 for competion of area to be improved for girls playground.
JAMES ROLPH JR. PLAYGROUND, $20,000 for completion of courts etc.
FUNSTON SQUARE $7,500 for the purpose of converting square into a playgound, erection of additional courts, swings, rings, slides and small office.
NORTH BEACH PLAYGROUND $1,500.00 This request is made on the recommendation of the North Beach Promotion Assn., and is for the purpose of lighting the boy's section in order that the basketball, tennis courts and general play section may be used at night. The amount also includes the sum necessary for supervision.
Land $50,000 for the purchase of that piece of property adjacent to Mission Bath House, which is now rented by the department and used as a part of Mission Playground.
PRESIDIO HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND $6000.00 for the purchase of that piece of property adjacent to the playground on the east boundary. The attendance here is steadily increasing and additional ground is necessary.
BAY VIEW PLAYGROUND SITE $25,000. The sum is asked for the purchase of property necessary for the completion of the Bay View Playground site.
GLEN PARK $30,000. The Playground Commission recommends the purchase of Glen Park for a playground and recreation center.
SHERMAN SCHOOL The Playground Commission heartily endorses the policy of the Bd. of Education in requesting additional property adjacent to the Sherman School, feeling that by acquisition of same, a suitable play space will be provided for that district without the necessity of additional financial expenditure by the City at a later day.

Bills and current expenses to date were approved and ordered paid, as follows:

Payroll Demands	27	$2640.00	
	28	2333.00	$4973.00
Supply Demands	27	822.44	
	28	1146.57	1969.01
			$6942.01 Grand Total

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Theresa Hayden,
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 4, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45, Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

PRESENT: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

ABSENT: Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P. C. Hale.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Bids for the Field House at the James Rolph Jr. Playground were received and opened as follows:

Geo. A. Bos	$11,930.00	Certified Check for $1300.00
O. Monson	11,957.00	" " " 1300.00
P. F. Reilly	13,490.00	" " " 1300 and $50.
Anderson and Ringrose.	11,913.00	" " " 1300.00
Quinn and Reilly	12,995.00	" " " 1500,00
John Beck	11,864.00	" " " 1500.00

It was moved by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Rossi, and unanimously carried that the contract be awarded to Mr. John E. Beck, the lowest bidder, for the sum of $11,864.00. So ordered, and the Secretary instructed to prepare the contract.

A communication was received from Mr. A. C. Carter, Field Secretary of the Boy Scouts, enclosing check for ----------, $4.65 to cover cost of a Volleyball lost at Jackson by troop No. 36. Ordered filed, and on motion of Mr. Rossi seconded by Mr. Mills and unanimously carried, the Secretary was directed to purchase a new Volleyball for Jackson Playground, with the money forwarded by Mr. Carter.

A communication was received from Mr. A. L. Mack, Secretary of the S. F. Industrial Athletic Association, offering the services of that Association in backing the budget request of the Playground Commission to the Board of Supervisors. Was ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to express the appreciation of the Commission.

Communication from the Board of Education notifying the Commission that permission had been granted for a period of one year for the use of that building on Sacramento Street bet. Fillmore and Webster formerly occupied as a branch library. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to thank the Board of Education for their courtesy in the transaction.

Communication from Miss F. E. Ware requesting a leave of absence for the month of July, was ordered filed. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Rossi, and unanimously carried the leave was granted as requested.

Communication from J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors announcing a meeting in the Chambers of the Supervisors on Monday May 10th for the purpose of considering a proposed ordinance regulating Dance Halls was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Supervisor Nelson enclosing letter from Blanche A. McGuire, Principal of the Bay View School, ordered filed, and Secretary directed to reply to same.

Communication from Alice Graydon Phillips, requesting this board to forward to National Girl Scout Hdquts. 189 Lexington Ave., N. Y., a letter endorsing the request from a local G. S. C. Committee for the permanent establishment of Girl Scouts in San Francisco. Ordered filed.

Communication from Jas. Naismith, University of Kansas, asking that we employ for the Summer a Mr. E. W. Philleo of Oakland, ordered filed.

Communication from J. McNab, Chairman Advisory Board of Salvation Army asking the cooperation of this department in the coming drive for the Salvation Army. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to invite the cooperation of the department in the coming drive.

Communication of Marion Delany inviting the participation of the Playground Commission in meeting announced in the Board of Supervisors in the interest of the Public Dance Hall Ordinances, ordered filed and the Secretary to attend meeting as representative of Playground Commission.

Communication of Anna Mellinger asking information of the San Francisco Playground Department, and making application for a position with the department, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply thereto.

Communication from Florence Nelson, Secretary Bureau of Special Publications, Playground and Recreation Association of America announcing publication of "1920 Year Book" and thanking this department for information forwarded which helped in making the publication possible. Ordered filed.

Program for 1920 Championship Track and Field Meet of P.S.A.L. received and ordered filed.

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from

Applications of Helen Overstreet, Long Beach, and Malvina Cohn of San Francisco for positions with the S. F. Playground Commission as directors of play, ordered filed.

In discussing the question of Caretakers or Gardeners for the James Rolph Jr. Playground, the appointment or assignment of same was on motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, and unanimously carried that same be referred to the Chairman of the Commission who appointed Mr. Mills a Committee of one with power to make such appointments.

The Superintendent reported an estimate from the Fay Improvement Company of $153.00 for constructing a concrete coping around sand box 14' x 10', two sets of concrete steps with side buttresses leading into Tennis Courts and Basketball Courts of the James Rolph Jr. Playground, 25th and Potrero Ave.

A second estimate of $125.00 for repairs to asphalt pavement at Presidio Heights and Richmond Playground.

On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mr. Mills, and unanimously carried estimates were approved and Secretary directed to authorize Fay Improvement Company to proceed with the work.

The Superintendent requested permission to rent an automobile during the time Playground car is in paint shop. Moved by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Rossi, that the Superintendent be empowered to rent a machine at a price not to exceed thirty dollars ($30.00) per week including insurance while Playground car is in paint shop. Unanimously carried.

Bills and current expenses to date were approved and ordered paid, as follows:

Salary Demands	29	$2061.25
" "	30	3280.00
" "	31	2358.25
Supply Demands	29	703.25
" "	30	645.51
" "	31	888.00

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Philomena Hagan
Secretary.

COMMUNICATIONS

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 18, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Pres. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. C. Sanborn;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Mrs. P. C. Hale;
Mr. John McLaren.

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Previous to the formal opening of the meeting, Mr. Robert Wolf, President of the Ocean View Improvement Club, addressed the members of the Board for the purpose of securing assistance in the acquisition of a playground site in the Ocean View District. Mr. Wolf was accompanied by Mr. Rogers, Secretary of the Improvement Club. These gentlemen were assured of the support of the Commission in their efforts to secure a playground site in that district.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A Communication from J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, announcing the transfer to this department of the sum of $500.00 to be expended on the James Lick Playground was ordered filed and the Secretary to acknowledge receipt of same.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Superintendent and Secretary consult with Miss Graham, Principal of the James Lick School regarding the installation of suitable play apparatus on that schoolyard, such equipment to be placed under the direction of the Grounds and Play Committee.

A communication from Mrs. Fannie L. Marsh, addressed to Mrs. F. C. Sanborn, was forwarded to this office for consideration. The communication asks that Block 22, University Mound, Portola School District, be selected as a possible playground site.

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the Commission should go on record as favoring a playground in the Portola School District, without designating any particular piece of property to be used for such purpose.

A circular letter from Mrs. M. L. Craig, 434 Bartlett Street calling attention to that piece of property bounded by Hoffman Avenue, Douglass, Clipper and 27th Streets as a possible playground site, was ordered filed.

Communication from the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering, announcing the completion of the asphalt surfacing on the James Rolph Jr. Playground, was ordered filed.

Communication from Mrs. M. R. Norris, Secretary of the Board of Education, granting permission to the Playground Commission to supervise play on the yard of the Paul Revere School in lieu of Bernal, because of the construction work which is being done on the latter.

Application of Mrs. C. M. Decker of Salt Lake for a position with this department, ordered filed.

Application from Edward Hennessey for a position as play director received and ordered filed.

Application from John J. McGrath, 1065 Dolores Street, S. F. for position as caretaker at James Rolph Jr. Playground, ordered filed.

Permission to arrange a meeting and demonstration on one of the San Francisco Playgrounds during the National Physical Education Conference from July 19th to 23d was granted as requested, and the Secretary directed to make the arrangements necessary for the proper participation of this department in the Conference.

On recommendation of the Play Committee, the salary of Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Asst. Director of Richmond Playground, was increased to $100.00 per month commencing May 1st, this being in accordance with the salary schedule of play directors.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $5792.84 were approved and ordered paid. This amount includes the following demands:

Salary Demands	32	$1939.00
Supply "	32	$1140.92
" "	33	839.40
" "	34	1873.52

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

P. Philomena Hagan
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 2, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m. in the office of the Commission, Rev. D. O. Crowley, the President, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;

Absent: Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. P. C. Hale.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Received from:

Miss Ruth Martin, Girl Director of Girls' Work, Oakland Playground Department, giving list of games and sports in which the San Francisco Playground Department is to compete on July 19th at Mosswood Park. Ordered filed.

H. H. Watson, asking information relative to salaries, activities, hours of directors and general plan of conduct for department--filed.

Miss Hinkle, Secretary of the Red Cross Learn to Swim Week, asking participation of the Playground Department in same, ordered filed.

Department of Public Works, Bureau of Architecture, stating that Charles McVey, architectural draftsman should be paid the sum of $200.00 by the Playground Commission for his services in preparing plans and specifications for the Field House at the James Rolph Jr. Playground. It was regularly moved and carried that Mr. McVey's name be included on the Pay Roll for this department for the sum of Two Hundred Dollars ($200.00).

Superintendent of Recreation, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, asking for bulletin and report from Playground Department, ordered filed.

Superintendent's report for week ending May 25th, 1921, was approved as presented.

Bills and current expenses for the month to date, on the following demands were approved and ordered paid:

Salary Demands	33	$2750.00		
" "	34	3181.25	5941.25	
Supply "	35	700.41		
"	36	590.95	1291.36	
				$7232.61

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:20 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Philomena Hagan
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 15, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., President, Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. P. C. Hale.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. J. C. Astredo calling the attention of the Playground Commission to the lack of play facilities in Duboce Park which results in Juvenile Court Cases. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary directed to communicate with Mr. Astredo assuring him of the desire of this department to lendits assistance in having part of the park equipped for play purposes.

Communication fromL. H. Battersby of Fresno making application for a position as play director, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to reply to same.

Communication from Mr. George Hjelte, Asst. State Supervisor of Physical Education, requesting records of activities and photographs of participants in playground programs for the past year, ordered filed and the Secretary directed to send the records requested. The photographs requested are not available.

Communication from George A. Mullen, advising the Playground Commission of the action of the Board of Library Trustees whereby that Board indicated to the Supervisors their willingness to relinquish jurisdiction of the premises at 2435 Sacramento Street, formerly occupied as branch library, and suggested that jurisdiction be vested in the Playground Commission. Ordered filed, and the Secretary reported having acknowledged receipt of same.

The Secretary reported having received an announcement from the Mayor's Office of the observance of Flag Day, on June 14th at 5 p. m. in the Civic Center.

Reports Mr. Mills, Chairman of the Play Committee reported the transfer of Miss Grace Spencer from Spring Valley Playground to Jas. Rolph Jr. Playground, salary $100.00 per month.
The appointment of Miss Jean Hamill to Spring Valley Playground for the vacation period only.

In discussing Schoolyard Playgrounds, it was the sense of the meeting that James Lick should be supervised at once; that the Playground Commission should provide supervison and the Board of Education equipment on the Fairmount School.

Mr. Mills further reported that it was not possible to secure competent men for Sunday Supervisors at $3.50 per day. On motion of Mrs. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the compensation was increased to $5.00 per day. Such sum is to be paid where necessary.

The report of the Superintendent for the week ending June 4, was accepted as presented.
and carried,

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the lighting of the Boy's Section of the North Beach Playground for a sum not to exceed $600.00.

In discussing the Fourth of July Committee appointed by His Honor Jas. Rolph for the proper observance of Independence Day, it was the sense of the meeting that a committee from the Playground Department be appointed to confer with said Fourth of July Committee to secure if possible some financial aid for the Playground Track Meet scheduled for July 4th at Jackson Playground. Mr. Mills, Mrs. Stern and Mr. Herz were appointed.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $1476.52 were approved and ordered paid. They include the following Supply Demands:
#37 --$804.34
38 --$672.18

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 13, 1921.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3 p. m. In the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley, Mr. John McLaren was appointed temporary chairman.

Present: Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale;
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Dave A. Barry, Clerk of the Committee of Education, Parks and Playgrounds, Board of Supervisors, presenting the following resolution passed by that committee on July 5th. Resolved: "That the Playground Commission of San Francisco be and it hereby is requested to permit the Grand Order of Foresters of America to use the Southside Playgrounds each Sunday during their baseball tournament, which is to be held during the session of the order in this city." Ordered filed.

Communication was received from Joyce Gardiner, Executive Girls Work Department, S. F. Y. W. C. A. announcing the Camp at Asilomar, Monterey County California from June 29th to July 9th for girls from the ages 14 to 19. Miss Joyce requested this announcement to be made on S. F. Playgrounds. Ordered filed and the Secretary reported that the announcement had been given publicity on all playgrounds.

Communication received from Earl H. Wight, University of California, asking information relative to the rules governing the use of handball courts when same are in great demand. Ordered filed, as the requested information had been forwarded.

Communication from Ruth A. Martin, Director of Athletic Program in connection with the National Physical Education Conference at Oakland, asking for directors' names in this department who could act as officials on July 19th, 20th and 21st. Ordered filed, - names having been forwarded by Secretary.

Petition received from Ingleside Community Club, signed by Mrs. A. L. Gladding, Pres, and Mrs. R. Schmidt Secretary, asking that this Commission provide a playground space in that neighborhood for the children of that district. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward same with a resolution of endorsement, to the Board of Supervisors.

Communication received from W. P. Benedict, Asst. Secretary to the Mayor, enclosing a petition from a group of baseball players in the vicinity of Mission Viaduct asking for a baseball diamond in that vicinity because of the overcrowding at Balboa Park. Ordered filed, the Secretary reporting having extended to the boys an invitation to avail themselves of the Excelsior Playground Diamond at Russia and Madrid Sts.

The following action was taken on items contained in Superintendent's Report for week ending July 9th, 1921.

Plans and Specifications for Iron Fence at James Rolph Playground. On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the plans and specifications were ordered submitted to Mr. Henry B. Mills for approval and the Secretary directed to be guided by Mr. Mills' decision thereon, in calling for bids, etc.

Margaret S. Hayward Playground. On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Superintendent was directed to secure prices on the following:

1. Tearing down and hauling away present concrete coping on Octavia Street and removal of Iron Fence.
2. Erection of new concrete bulkhead and erection of iron fence thereon. The Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the work, provided bids submitted thereon prove satisfactory to Chairman of Grounds Committee, Mr. John McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Superintendent was directed to have plans and specifications prepared by the Bureau of Architecture, Bd. of Public Works, for the following: The grading and surfacing of a portion of the Mgt. S. Hayward Playground 250' x 95'. The Secretary was directed to advertise for bids on the above.

In discussing activities of the department, the Secretary requested that night work on the North Beach Playground be deferred until the later part of July. The Secretary also requested that the suggestions of the North Beach Promotion Association be carried out, i.e., that the grounds remain open until 10 p. m. every night, Sunday excepted, and that program at this time include activities for boys only. On motion of Mrs. Sanborn, seconded by Mrs. Stern, both suggestions carried.

In discussing financial provision for extraordinary activites in the department such as the coming Physical Education Conference and the proper entertainment of visiting teams from other cities, the Director of Activities requested that a certain sum be set aside for such purposes. On motion of

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Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, a revolving fund of $100.00 was voted for such purposes against which Miss M. P. Hagan, alone, was empowered to draw, when in her judgment, an extraordinary occasion might arise.

The Director of Activities reported the participation of over 700 boys in track and field events previous to the Interplayground Track Meet held on the Fourth of July for which 333 boys won the right to compete and from which 89 boys placed for competition in Oakland on July 21st.

The Director further reported that approximately one hundred girls from San Francisco were to take part in the Oakland demonstration on July 19th, and that the program for San Francisco's day, Wednesday July 20th, was complete.

Bills and current expenses to date, as follows, were approved and ordered paid.

Salary Demands #35	$1845.00		
36	3330.00		
37	2535.77	$ 7710.77	
Supply Demands #39	1231.50		
40	4210.51		
41	831.76	6323.77	
		$14034.54	

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomena Hagan
SECRETARY.

COMMUNICATIONS

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 3, 1921

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3 p. m. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Henry E. Mills;
Mrs. F. C. Sanborn;
Mr. John Mc Laren;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale;

Sealed Bids were received and opened by the Commission this day for asphalt paving work to be done on the Margaret S. Hayward Playground. The two bids are as follows:

Fay Improvement Company
750 Market St.
22,750 square feet @ $ .1485 per sq. ft.
Certified Check $[illegible].00 -- $3378.55

J. A. Costello Jr.
1083 Shotwell St.
22,750 square feet @ $ .175 per sq. ft.
Certified Check $450.00 -- $3981.25

The contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, i.e. The Fay Imp. Co. The Secretary was directed to notify the bidders accordingly and to return the certified check of the highest bidder.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A communication was received from Anna M. Ryan, Sioux City, Iowa, inquiring about the possibility of a position in this department. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to answer same.

Two communications were received from the Board of Supervisors, the relative to filing with the Finance Committee [illegible] of the number of Dutch Elms in this department owned by the city, and the other relative to the method of procedure in granting concession privileges. Ordered filed -- Secretary having replied to same.

A communication was received from the Park Commissioners, the relative to [illegible] Director of Playgrounds, in regard to [illegible] Park and how to get there from this city. The Secretary was directed to furnish any additional information the Commissioners might desire in connection.

Mr. Mills, Chairman of the Committee on Grounds reported as follows:

That the James Rolph Jr. Playground, after [illegible] is nearly extended will be a beautiful spot for playground use.

That he had met with the Principal in addition to recommending girls play activities from the playground to the upper grades of the Lafayette School. The latter was also to [illegible] the potentialities of that school when in use with the play. The Board of Education is now meeting us. Mr. Mills then made the following motion which Mr. Rossi seconded, that Mr. Mills be authorized to [illegible] the upper yard of the Wallace School into a play section. The motion carried.

Mr. Mills further reported that the James Rolph Jr. Playground is in a splendid condition.

The following matter was taken up on the Superintendent's report:

[illegible] Motion made by Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Sanborn and unanimously carried that the fence on the James Rolph Jr. Playground be constructed the height is to be 4 feet above the coping. The [illegible] the fence is to be removed at this time.

The Superintendent was directed to [illegible] a temporary wire fence on the Fulton street side of the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

Mr. Rossi made the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, that the Superintendent notify the Golden Gate Iron Works, whose bid for $169.00 was the lowest, to proceed with the requirements of the fence at Hamilton Playground.

The Secretary was directed to notify the Golden Gate Iron Works they had been awarded the work.

The bids are as follows:

Golden Gate Iron Works	$169.00
Standard Fence Company	221.00
Western Iron Works	255.00

The Superintendent further reported that the apparatus to be installed in the Fairmount Schoolyard and Mill will be removed the school department for the cost of same.

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Bills and current expenses as above were approved and ordered paid. Them are as follows:-

Pay Roll $ 2268.25

Demands 1- $2214.12
2- 21.87.00
3- 2130.37 $6032.19 $ 14300.34

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Philemene Hagan
Secretary.

WHILE YOU WERE OUT

Playground Commission

San Francisco. August 23rd 1921.

MEETING.

At the request of the President of the Playground Commission, Rev. D. O. Crowley, a special meeting was called for this day at the hour of 11 a.m., for the purpose of meeting with the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Ralph Mc Leran, and discussing with him ways and means whereby the property adjacent to Mission Playground which this Commission is now renting from Mrs. Swift for playground purposes might be permanently procoured.

The meeting was also for the transaction of regular business.

PRESENT: Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

ABSENT: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale.

MINUTES.

In the absence of Rev. D. O. Crowley, President. Mr. Henry B. Mills was appointed temporary chairman.

On motion of Mrs. Stern seconded by Mr. Rossi, the reading of the minutes of the previous meting was waived.

In discussing the lavatory situation at Southside Playground, it was the sense of the meeting that the Superintendent should procure estimates for the removal of the girls lavatories, and that he should be aughotirzed to proceed with the work, provided such estimate should not exceed the sum of $ 1200.00.

On motion of Mrs. Stern seconded by Mr. Rossi, the Superintendent under the direction of Mr. John Mc Laren, Chairman of the Grounds Committee was authorized to proceed with the changing of the location of the girls lavatories at Southside Playground, provided the cost of such change does not exceed the sum of $ 1200.00 Unanimously passed.

On motion of Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. Stern bills and current expenses to datecounting to $ 3276.14 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further routine business, the meeting adjourned to visit the site of the Mission Playground, 19th and Angelica with Mr. Ralph Mc Laren, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

Summary of demands

Supply No 4,	$792.61
5,	216.53
Pay Roll No.	2267.00
	$3276.14

Respectfully submitted,

Philemene Hagan
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 7th 1921.

MEETING.

Notices having been sent for a regular meeting on this date failed to record a quorum.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 21st 1921.

MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., in the office of the Commission. In the absence of the President, Mr. Henry B. Mills occupied the chair temporarily.

Present: Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. John Mc Laren,
Mrs. F. C. Sanborn.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of August 23rd were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Dr. Jessica Peixotto, Department of Economics, University of California, stating that in accordance with previous custom it was the desire of classes in the department of Economics to visit some of the Playgrounds of San Francisco. Dr. Peixotto asked for suggestions as to the best playgrounds to visit from a point of view of equipment and supervision. Ordred filed thegecretary having reported that a reply was sent stating the classes would be most welcome and having made suggestions as to the grounds to visit etc.

Mr. Benjamin Scharff, Secretary of the Park Presidio Property Owners Association asking that a small playground be established in the rear of the Police Station on 6th Ave near Anza Street. Referred to the superintendent for investigation and report at the next meting.

A communication was received from Dr. Guy Milberry, asking the co-operation of the Playground Commission in the establishment of a small playground adjacent to the affiliated colleges on the East. Dr. Milberry suggested that said playground could be used by the boys from the Grattan School, the Laguna Honda, Polytechnic High School , as well as the students from the College. Referred to the superintendent with instructions to call on Dr. Milberry and determine whether or not this cooperation could be accomplished.

A communication was received from Dr. Frank Fischer, Secretary of the North Beach Promotion Association, stating that a resolution had been adopted by the association requesting that girls be given one night each week at the North Beach Playground.

Ordered filed the secretary having reported the question is still under discussion with Dr. A. S. Musante, who was appointed by the North Beach Promotion Association to discuss the question with the Playground Commission.

A communication was received from Mr. Rosecrans of Community sergice Recreation League asking the cooperation of the Playground Commission for Music week from October 30th to November 6th.

Ordered filed and Mrs. Hale asked to represent the Playground Commission in this particular activity.

Report of the Play Committee by Mr. Henry B Mills Chairman

That Mr. Thomas Kearns be granted a vacation for the remainder of the month of September, at which time his services with the Playground Commission will terminate.
Report accepted, it was so ordered.

Report of the Superintendent:

That lavatories should be installed in present field houst at Southside playground, in the Southwest room. Approved.
Mr. Herz further reported that the figures submitted by Lettich were the lowest received as follows: $ 254.00 for labor, rough lumber, mill work, rough and finish hardware, glazing conorete and repair plaster, for alterations and additions in toilet room at Southside field house. A second estimate of $ 330.00 for alterations and additions to soil, wast, vent and water lines, covering complete installation for two Crane Syphon Jet low down toilet combinations and one 6 X 6 X 2 Brass Floor Drain. Estimates accepted and the secretary directed to notify Mr. Lettich to proceed with the work as outlined.

Jackson That necessary work on tile floors and marble partitions in Jackson Playground boys lavatories should be authorized. On motion of Mrs. Hale seconded by Mr. Rossi, the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the work subject to the approval of the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Play Field at Hamilton Action on the recommendation that the field at Hamilton playground be rolled, tamped and covered with new clay and rock, was deferred until the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

The Director of Recreational Activities reported that the present basketball tournament, was in the course of progress, and had resulted in the entry of 51 teams for competition, with a list of 538 individual entrants who were eligible for competition.

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That the Volleyball series had resulted in the entrance of 19 teams, with 267 individual girls entered.

The postponement of the girls swimming meet to October 15th, because of rain on the day originally scheduled for the event.

The announcement of the Boys Swimming Meet for October 8th. Report accepted as presented.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $ 2650.92 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomene Hagan.

Secretary.

COMMUNICATIONS

Playground Commission

San Francisco. October 5, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., Pres. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. P. C. Hale;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Communications were received as follows:-

From Mrs. L. Appel, Chairlady of the Children's Welfare Committee of the Eureka Valley Promotion Association asking the endorsement of the Commission for a playground site in the Eureka Valley district. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to state that the Playground Commission endorses the petition.

Mr. Jos. O'Neil, Shield Estate Co., stating the acceptance by him, of the offer of this department and the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, to pay a rental of $100.00 per month in additi n to the annual taxes of that piece of property adjacent to and used as a part of Mission Playground.

North Beach Promotion Association requesting that additional lights be placed on North Beach Playground, and that Columbus Avenue gate be closed. Ordered filed.

Mr. Henry B. Mills, Chairman Play Committee reported the temporary appointment of Margaret Helen Johnson, as swimming instructor for girls at a salary of $125.00 per month.

Miss Hagan announced a Play Day at Hamilton Playground for Friday, October 7th. Program to include Indoorbaseball, Basketball, Volleyball, Batball, Kick ball, Tennis and Sqaure Relay, for both boys and girls. Every playground in the department, schoolyards excepted, to be represented on the program.

The Secretary requested an increase of salary for directors of Jas. Lick and Bay View Schoolyards. Action deferred until the meeting of the Finance Committee.

Bills and current expenses to date, on the following demands were approved and ordered paid:

Pay Roll Demand #10	$2393.00	
Demand 8	883.36	
" 9	917.78	
" 10	697.89	
" 11	2362.00	$ 7254.03

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:50 p. m.

M. Philomene Hagan

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 19, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3 p. m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale;
Mr. H. B. Mills;
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Absent: Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

PETITION

A committee from the Ocea n View District, Mr. Nicholas L. Hanley, Chairman, presented to the Commission a petition for a playground in the Ocean View District, with a specific recommendation that the block bounded by San Jose Avenue, Sadowa Street and Plymouth Avenue, be the one selected as the Playground site. The petition is signed by 379 residents of the district and endorsed by the San Jose Avenue Improvement Club.

It was the sense of the meeting that said petition should be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors, accompanied by a letter from this department heartily endorsing the selection of a playground site in the Ocean View District, and it was also the sense of the meeting that no specific site be recommended at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Ocean View Improvement Club asking the recommendation by the Playground Commission for the purchase of a playground site in above mentioned district.

The letter offered for consideration three sites. Ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward same to the Board of Supervisors with recommendation that provision be made for a playground in that district.

The Secretary further directed to so notify the Ocean View Improvement Club.

A communication from Mr. Benedict, Secretary to the Mayor, enclosing a letter from Mrs. Clara A. Nealon in the interests of having a portion of Duboce Park turned into a playground, was ordered filed.- this Commission having previously gone on record as favoring such a proposition.

A communication was received from Mrs. Elizabeth Gerberding of 2376 Green Street asking that provision be made for a playground some place in that immediate vicinity, ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Communication from Mr. Benedict, Secretary to the Mayor, enclosing a letter from John McCann, 2280 Green Street, asking for a tennis court in the vicinity of Green, Steiner and Pierce Streets, ordered filed.

Communication from Dr. Jessica Peixotto, Department of Economics, U.ofC. thanking the PlaygroundCommission for the courtesies extended to visiting classes from the University.

Application from Valerie J. Elder, for a position with the Playgr und Commission, ordered filed.

Communication from Jas. McMullin, giving names of leagues and teams comprising the Mid-Winter League, i.e., 2 leagues of 8 teams each, two leagues of ten teams each, total 36. The major portion of these games are scheduled on S. S. and Jackson Playgrounds.

REPORTS

Superintendent's report for week ending October 12,1921, accepted as read.

Unf. Business

The salary of Playground Directors at the James Lick and Bay View School-yard Playgrounds was discussed at length. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the salary of Miss McVanner at James Lick was increased to $50.00 per month, and that of Miss Hubbert at Bay View to $35.00 per month, taking effect from July 1st.

Bills and current expenses to date on the following demands were approved and ordered paid:

Pay Roll Demands 11	$1748.65	$1748.65	
Supply Demands 12	494.74		
13	912.00		
14	3879.40	$5286.14	$7034.79

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5 p. m.

M. Adamine Hagan
Secretary.

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San Francisco, November 2, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m. , President Rev.D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present:- Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren;
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Absent:- Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale;
Mrs. Helen G. Sanborn;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was on motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr.McLaren, waived until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

A Committee of citizens from the Ocean View District, Mr. C. A. Mihailovits Chairman, presented to the Commission, a petition for a particular playground site in the Ocean View District signed by approximately 500 residents of that vicinity. Mr. Handley of the San Jose Improvement Club also appeared before the Commission in the interest of a specific site for a playground. Both committees were given a hearing.

The members of the Playground Commission having visited the Ocean View District, and thoroughly investigating several sites, agreed that those blocks bounded by Lobos Street, Capitol Avenue, Montana Street and Plymouth Avenue were, in their judgment, the best in the district for a playground. Therefore, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. John McLaren, the Commission went on record as favoring the blocks above mentioned, and the Secretary was instructed to forward to the Board of Supervisors said recommendation.

A Committee interested in the establishment of a playground in Dubocc Park, Mr. Roy Fellom Chairman, appeared before the Commission presenting a petition signed by approximately 115 residents in that district. After a discussion on the question, the Commission went on record as favoring a playground in Dubocc Park, as follows: Moved by Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Henry B. Mills that the Playground Commission go on record as favoring a playground in Dubocc Square, provided the Park Commission agrees to make the transfer to this department, and the Board of Supervisors provide the funds for the equipment and maintenance thereof.

Bills and current expenses to date, on the following demands, were approved and ordered paid.

Salary Demands	(12).....	[illegible]	
	(13).....	2288.50	5983.50
Supply Demands	(15).....	1134.02	
" "	(16).....	535.90	
" "	(17).....	[illegible]	2249.92
			$8233.42

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. Philamene Secretary.

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San Francisco. Nov. 16, 1921.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p. m. In the absence of the President, on leave, Mr. Henry B. Mills, temporary chairman, presided.

Present: Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P. C. Hale;
Mrs. Helen P. Sanborn;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi.
Mr. John McLaren;

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley.

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived, in order that the Commission might take up for discussion the survey of the Southside District, made at the request of the Play Committee. The principal points of Miss F. E. Ware's survey are as follows:

"In an effort to obtain every point of view, I have interviewed the ministers of different denominations, educators, social workers, Police Department and visited some of the poorer homes of the foreign element.

"There are 2000 children registered in four elementary schools, within the shadow of the playground; and in each school the teachers are discouraging attendance at playground.

"Up to the present all efforts have been centered upon the development of the Physical and Recreational aspects of the playground, overlooking the great opportunity for character building, and inculcating the highest standards of honor and integrity. Without the foundation of morality, no playground can be successful.

Briefly Stated, the Objections Are:

1-Situation of Ethan Allen School and presence of these boys on playground.
2-Loafers and loungers making it their headquarters.
3-No place set aside exclusively for girls where they can play unsubjected to scrutiny and to disturbance of hard balls.
4-Vicious influence of adjacent streets and of the little park facing Harrison Street.

Immediate Changes to Improve Conditions:

1-That some part of playground be set aside at the noon hour for the exclusive use of boys from the Ethan Allen School; teams to be organized and inter-class tournaments arranged.
2-Presence of loafers and loungers to be prohibited.
3-Seventh St. section to be set aside for girls.
4-Captain Goff be requested to clean up adjacent streets and the little park fronting playground.
5-Gate to be removed from 7th and Harrison St. corner to center of Harrison Street front.
6-That ten or fifteen benches with backs be placed near the sand box and baby swings to encourage mothers of different nationalities to come. This will form the basis for a neighborhood center.
7-Erect a temporary tennis and basketball court in center of running track for boys.
8-Vines to be planted around fence to form a screen.
9-Hard balls to be given only to organized teams.
10-Office to be kept exclusively for supervised activity or emergency work.
11-Benches to be removed from front of Field House, and steps and platform to be kept clear for ingress and egress.

"This is a brief summary giving a fair insight into existing conditions which must be corrected before any permanent plan is made to develop the playground into a great Industrial Recreational Center."

After reading the survey, it was the concensus of opinion that the cooperation of all groups in the district both public and private, should be invited to insure a more unified effort in the upbuilding of Southside Playground.

Bills and current expenses to date, as follows, were approved and ordered paid:

Pay Roll	Demand	14....	$1505.00	
Supply	"	18....	905.28	
"	"	19....	775.66	Total $3185.94

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomena Hagen

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 7, 1921.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:30 p. m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Angelo J. Rossi;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale;
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren.

Before proceeding with the regular business of the day, the courtesy of the floor was extended to Mr. Gossland and Mrs. Anderson, speaking for a group of citizens from the University Mound District, both seeking the cooperation of this Commission in securing a playground in the San Bruno District, and suggested that the Board recommend to the Education, Parks and Playground Committee of the Board of Supervisors, a suitable site for such a recreation center.

The President thanked the group for appearing, and stated the members of the Playground Commission with a committee from the Board of Education would go over the district and make their recommendation to the Supervisors.

The courtesy of addressing the Commission was then extended to Mrs. C. O'Donnell, 2384 Union Street, who entered a formal protest against the establishment of a playground at Union and Pierce Streets.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of October 19th, November 2nd, and November 16th, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Mrs. Elizabeth Gerberding, 2376 Green Street, enclosing a petition for a playground, in neighborhood of Union and Pierce Streets, was ordered filed.

Two from D. J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, first in acknowledgement of request for officer at Southside Playground, and second stating that Capt. Goff of Southern Station had detailed an officer at Southside from 8 a. m. to 4 p. m. daily, were ordered filed.

From W. J. Fitzgerald, Secretary Board of Public Works, enclosing communication from Mr. George R. Meyerderck, Park Presidio Improvement Association. The letter requests the establishment of a playground on city property on west side of 24th Avenue, between Geary and Anza Streets. Ordered filed and Mr. Herz requested to investigate the property and report on same at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

From David A. Barry, Clerk of Committee on Education, Parks and Playgrounds, stating that a resolution was being considered, providing for the purchase of two blocks of land bounded by Silliman, Somerset, Hamilton and Felton Streets, for play purposes. The letter also requested the Playground Commission to examine the site, as to location, desirability, etc. Ordered filed, and the President requested that Mrs. Sanborn appoint a committee from the Board of Education to visit the district with the Plyg. Commission. After which the recommendation would be made to the Board of Supervisors.

From the North Beach Promotion Association requesting additional lights at North Beach Playground, a cover for the swimming pool, and the closing of Columbus Avenue gate permanently. Ordered filed.

The following was submitted by Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors: Resolved that the Supervisors Committee on Education Parks and Playgrounds, the Plyg. Commission, together with a Committee from the Board of Supervisors, and citizens to be named by His Honor the Mayor, be authorized to arrange for the official dedication of the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

Moved by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Sanborn, that a committee be appointed to confer with the Mayor regarding the dedication of the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss M.P. Hagan,

ThePresident appointed the following committee: Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale, Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, and Mrs. Sigmund Stern. It was the sense of the meeting that the date for dedication should be set at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

Mr. Mills reporting for the Play Committee. Suggested that Miss Ware's salary be increased to $150.00 per month; that Miss Ruth Heynemann be employed at a salary of $150.00 per month; that the former library building on Sacramento Street be repaired at once, to make provision for carrying on club work at night, such repair work not to exceed $500.00; that all requisitions for stock room purchases be O.K'd by Chairman of Finance Committee. Moved by Mr. Rossi, seconded by Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, that report of Play Committee be adopted. It was so ordered.

Bills and current expenses to date, on the following demands, were approved and ordered paid.

Pay Roll	#15	$3612.50		
	16	1687.75	5300.25	
Demand	#20	500.00		
	#21	595.27		
	#22	356.52	1451.79	$ 6752.04

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Philomene Hagan.

Secretary.

MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20p.m., Pres. Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev.D.O.Crowley;
Henry B.Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mrs.F.G.Sanborn;
Angelo J.Rossi.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

Before proceeding with the principal business of the meeting i.e., the election of a President and the appointing of committees for the year 1922, several othermatters were taken up, as follows:

Two ladies from the University Mound District called in to know the status on the proposed playground for that section. The President of the Commission assured them that the Commission is heartily in favor of, and realizes the necessity for a playground in that district, and at the next meeting would see that a resolution be passed and sent to the Board of Supervisors giving the location of the site recommended by this board.

The President, Rev. D.O.C. was empowered to select a second speaker for the dedication of the James Rolph Jr. Playground, and Mrs. F. G. Sanborn, together with Mr.Herz were given power to attend to full details relative to the program for the dedication.

The next in order was the nomination and election of a President. Mrs. F.G.Sanborn nominated Rev. D.O.Crowley whose nomination was seconded by Mrs. P.C.Hale, and the Commission unanimously re-elected him for that office. The President then announced that the Committee would remain the same as last year, with the exception that the new member to be appointed on the Commission is to act as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

In the absence of Mr. Rossi, Chairman of the Finance Committee, who came in toward the close of the meeting, Mr. Mills took the liberty of presenting a Financial Report to the Commission. A motion was made by Mr. Mills that requisitions are to be handled and filled by the Superintendent, Mr. James I. Herz, and thepurchase of supplies both for the storeroom and general use to be O. K'd. by the Finance Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting with one exception, were approved as read. This exception was in regard to the approval of the minutes dated Nov. 16th, in which should have been included a more detailed account of the Southside survey. This has since been inserted.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, handing in his resignation as a member of the Playground Commission.

The Commission appointed Mr. Henry B. Mills to draw up a resolution of thanks to Mr. Rossi, for the way he has fulfilled his position with the Playground Commission. It is as follows:

"IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Playground Commission in regular meeting assembled this day, January 4, 1922, in the City and County of San Francisco, that Mr. AngeloJ. Rossi for the past seven and one half years a member of the Playground Commission be tendered a vote of gratitude and appreciation for his splendid and efficient work so cheerfully and capably performed during his incumbency as a Playground Commissioner.

The Playground Commission deeply regrets the necessity of accepting the resignation of Mr. Angelo J. Rossi, presented this day, and in doing so, we feel the keenest sense of loss to this Commission.

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A motion was also passed that the resolution not only be sent to Mr. Rossi, but that it be incorporated in the minutes.

A letter was received from the Board of Supervisors requesting that this department file with that board before the 15th of February a list of all supplies required by us during the following fiscal year. Secretary directed to forward the necessary list.

Two communications were received relative to the transfer of funds to this department. The first was a transfer from the Municipal Railway to the Playground Commission of $1000.00 being the amount agreed upon to be forwarded to us upon the completion of theconvenience station in the Field House at the James Rolph Jr. Playground; and the second, a notification of the transfer of $10,000 for defraying expenses in connection with theimprovement of the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

Three letters were received asking for playground information. One from Miss Ethel Bursey, Chelsea, Mass., one from Mr. John H. Fort, Boston, Mass., and another from Miss Grace Farrand, Klamath Falls, Oregon. The Secretary was directed to answer them.

A communication from the Russell Sage Foundation Library, requesting that we file with them Playground Commission reports, ordered filed, and the necessary information will be forwarded to them.

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Communication from the P. S. A. L. giving the Soccer schedule, was ordered filed.

Mr. Herz reported as follows: That he had looked into thematter of the establishment of a playground on the west side of 24th Avenue which is city property and finds the interested parties would like to have it put in shape for that purpose. He made the suggestion to them to get in touch with the Board of Supervisors for the appropriation necessary to do same.

The necessary alterations to the former library building on Sacramento Street which we arehaving put in shape for occupancy in the near future, is about completed. The Field House at the James Rolph is practically ready for final acceptance by the city. The report was approved as read.

Miss Ware was then called upon to report on conditions at Southside Playground. She reports as follows: A scheduled program is being followed out with the boys from theEthanAllen School, and competitive games are to be commenced with the beginning of the new school term, Jan. 16th. This program is being worked out by Miss Ling of the Ethan Allen School, and Mr. Sweigert, theman director at Southside Playground. Miss Ware asks that a gate be made opening from the Ethan Allen School on to the playground, thereby eliminating the necessity of the boys having to go through any other section of theplayground, other than that set aside for them.

TheLincoln School pupils are now coming down to the playground regularly between the hours of 12 and 1.

There is a possibility that this example will be followed by the Franklin School boys also.

Miss Folsom of the Harrison School is not only encouraging pupils from that school to attend the playground after school hours, but is encouraging mothers to join the sewing class about to be established at Southside.

The boys from St. Vincent's School are also going to attend the playground regularly. The only school not reached as yet, is St. Josephs, pupils from which will either be encouraged to attend Southside or Jackson Playground, due to its location about mid-way between each of these playgrounds.

The first day the Kindergarten class was opened, there was an attendance of 41 pupils, the next time, 61. In fact, so large was the class, it necessitated there going out for Folk Dancing in place of the kindergarten instruction.

Seven women have signified their intention of joining the sewing class. Miss Ware's report was accepted.

The following demands wereapproved and ordered paid:

Pay Roll Demands:	Dec.	Total $6,129.40	
Supply "	3324, 25	" 1,838.08	$7,967.48

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:10p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Delamere Hagan

Secretary

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, Jan. 18, 1922.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commissionwas called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. F. G. Sanborn;

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P. C. Hale.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved after the necessary corrections were made.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Mrs. Gerberding, 2376 Green Street, asking that a playground be established in the vicinity of Union and Pierce Streets. The Commission has decided to look into the matter before making a recommendation.

Mrs. Sanborn made a motion that we ask the Board of Supervisors to purchase the two blocks bounded by Somerset, Silliman, Hamilton and Felton Streets in the University Mound District, and to purchase in addition four other lots adjacent to these two, in order to have ample space for playground and park purposes, the boundaries of the six lots, being: Goettingen on the East; Burrows on the South; Hamilton on the West; Silliman on the North; closing Holyoke and Somerset Streets. Seconded by Mr. Mills and unanimously carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. Sanborn, seconded by Mr. Mills, that Miss Mgt. Mary Morgan who is Chairwoman of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors be invited to be present at all future Playground Commission meetings.

A communication was received from Mr. Campbell, Commissioner of Naturalization, U.S.Dept.of Labor, Washington, thanking us for the service this department rendered during American Citizenship Week. Ordered filed.

A communication from Miss Hester Proctor filing an application for summer work in the department, was ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply to same.

A communication was received from Mr. Paul Beeler inquiring about a playground position. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply to same.

A communication was received from Mr. McLeran, Chairman Finance Committee in which notification is given of a transfer of $600.00 to this department as a reimbursement for our having paid Mr. J. O'Neill the rent for property adjacent to Mission Playground, for the past six months.

A communication was received from Capt. W.S.Overton, notifying this department that members of the Jr. R.O.T.C. would be present at the dedication exercises on Saturday.

A communication was received from the Council of Social and Health Agencies calling attention to their next meeting, January 27th, 1922, at 8 p.m. in the Assembly Hall of the Bank of Italy, Market and Powell.

Miss Heyneman's report of Jackson Playground District was read, and declared a very excellent and comprehensive report, and the Commission wants Miss Hagan to go over all details relative to same.

Mrs. Sanborn made a motion that the sum of $12.50 be set aside for the printing of signs to be placed on street cars, this Saturday, calling attention to the Dedication Exercises at the James Rolph Jr. Playground. Seconded by Mr. Mills and carried.

Bills and current expenses to date, as follows, were approved and ordered paid:

Salary Demand	$1462.00	
Supply " s ..	10146.44	$11608.44

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at ten minutes to four.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Delamere Hagan

Secretary.

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MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p. m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Prentiss C. Hale;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills, on leave.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS it has pleased Almighty God to take from our midst and the service of her City the late Mrs. Helen P. Sanborn, who by her noble qualities of heart and mind endeared herself to all who had the pleasure of her acquaintance and especially to those who were associated with her work for the welfare and advancement of our cherished City; and

WHEREAS Mrs. Sanborn was an honored and active member of the Playground Commission; therefore be it resolved that the members of this Commission voice our deep sense of sorrow, and recognize, with sadness, the loss which her death has caused our Commission and the city at large; be it further

RESOLVED that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this meeting, and another forwarded to the relatives of the deceased who reside in San Francisco.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, stating: Golden G te Valley Exposition Improvement Association had in regular session, Feb. 28th, 1922, adopted a resolution requesting thePlayground Commission to include in their budget requests, a sum sufficient to thoroughly equip Funston Park as a Playground, and to place Directors thereon. Referred to Budget Committee.

Stating that Presidio Parlor, No. 194 N.S.G.W. at the regular meeting March 6th, had unanimously adopted a resolution asking the Playground Commission to request the sum of $25,000 in the 1922-23 budget for the purpose of fully equipping Funston Park as a Playground. Referred to Budget Committee.

From Dan O'Callaghan, 30 Montgomery Avenue, presenting for consideration for Park or Playground purposes block bounded by Bacon, Wayland, Williams and Goettingen Streets, known as Block 22, 400x240', lying in juxtaposition to block Number 23 recently purchased by the city for school purposes. Ordered filed, since a specific site had already been recommended.

From Visitacion Valley Community Center asking that a block be purchased in that district for playground purposes, suggesting any of the fllowing sites as being available: 1-Blankers--Visitacion Ave. and San Bruno. 2- Burnetts--Sunnyside and Peabody Sts. 3-Rutland--Campbell and Arleta Streets. 4- Block opposite school, at Leland and Schwerin Streets. Referred to budget committee.

From Ocean View Improvement Club, referring to Resolution No. 19415, Board of Supervisors, asking advice as to how to proceed in assisting the Playground Commission to secure a playground site in the above mentioned district.

From George H. Lux, offering for sale Block No. 30, San Bruno district for a playground site, purchase price, $10,000.00. Ordered filed, a specific site having been recommended.

From Valencia Street Improvement Association requesting the Playground Commission to eliminate from their request the Valencia Street frontage of the proposed Mission Playground. Ordered filed.

From the North Beach Promotion Association, requesting the Commission to consider the utilization of lots on the corner of Vallejo and Taylor Sts., and Francesca and Polk Streets for Playground purposes. Referred to the Budget Committee.

From the North Beach Promotion Association, requesting the postponement of a stadium in Golden Gate Park until such time as playground has been established for children in the populous districts of San Francisco.

From Spring Valley Mothers' Club, addressed to Margaret M. Morgan, Supervisor, and forwarded to this office by J.S.Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board, requesting ample play space for the children of the Polk and Larkin District, and complaining of the inadequacy of the present playground site known as Spring Valley. Ordered filed.

From Mrs. Williams, 1007 Tennessee Street, asking that play facilitiesbe provided for children in the vicinity of the Irving M. Scott School and suggesting 20th and Tennessee Streets as a possible location. Ordered filed.

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San Francisco,

From Mgt. Mary Mahoney, M.D., relative to the acquisition by the City of Lake Merced Lands, and protesting the right of the City to acquire same. Referred to Park Commission.

From W. S. Benedict, Assistant Secretary to the Mayor, enclosing a complaint relative to the use of the baseball diamond at the James Rolph Jr. Playground. Ordered filed.

From Clarence Brown, Dorian Club, complaining because older boys are not permitted the use of James Rolph Jr. baseball diamond. Miss Hagan instructed to make investigation.

From Honorable Ralph McLeran, Chairman Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, calling attention to the Y. M. C. A. Drive, asking the cooperation of this department. Ordered filed.

From Supplies Committee of the Board of Supervisors asking for an estimate of the Furniture required for the use of this department. Ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to take the matter up with the Supplies Committee.

From American Can Company, requesting the use of the James Rolph Jr. baseball diamond two days in each week between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock Permission denied because of the fact that organized teams from neighboring schools were making use of same at the noon hour.

From Emil Kraut asking for an indefinite leave of absence. Granted and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Kraut that his return would depend on the amount of work to be done in the department at that time.

From the University of Oklahoma, asking information relative to the San Francisco Playground Department, ordered filed, the information having been forwarded by the Secretary.

Petition from residents in vicinity of Southside Playground, asking reinstatement of Mr. M. Conklin, Director of Southside Playground. Referred to Play Committee.

Request from Mr. J. T. McFadden, Assistant Scout Executive, asking for the use of the Sacramento Street building for Scouts living in that vicinity referred to Play Committee.

Request from Mr. W.J.J.Byers, of the Booker T. Washington Community Center asking permission to use the building one night per week for his group of colored people. Referred to Mr. Dohrmann, and Mr. J. I.Herz.

From Mrs. L. F. Tuttle, 3441 Clay Street, asking for the reinstatement of Miss Popper to the Presidio Heights Playground, referred to Play Committee.

Mr. Hernan then addressed the Commission, as the representative of the Exposition Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, in the interest of securing Funston Park as a Playground.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $1665.23 were approved and ordered paid.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomene Hagan

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 5, 1922.

Notices having been sent to the Commissioners for the regular meeting on April 5th, 1922, failed to record a quorum.

M. Philomene Hagan
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 10th, 1922.

A special meeting for the purpose of passing on budget requests for the Fiscal Year 1922-1923, was called to order by Rev. D. O. Crowley, at the hour of 10 a. m.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P. C. Hale;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

The following budget was adopted, and filed with the Board of Supervisors and the Auditor:

BUDGET - FISCAL-YEAR - 1922-1923

PERSONAL SERVICE

	No.	Rate	Amount
Secretary and Dir. Rec.Activ.	1	$250	$3000
Superintendent	1	225	2700
Assistant Secretary	1	150	1800
Assistant Director	1	175	2100
Clerk	1	110	1320
Directors Male	10	125	15000
" Female	1	150)	
" "	13	125(	21300
Swimming Instructors	2	150	2700
Bath House Assistants	2	100	1800
Schoolyard Directors	5		5020
Sunday Directors Male	10	5	2600
" " Female	12	4	2296
Carpenter	1	8.35	2396
Painter	1	8.35	2396
Laborers	20	130	31200
(Emergency)			
Emergency Workers			3146
Operation, Two Community Centers			5000
		Total	$105774

RECAPITULATION

Personal Service	$105,774.00
Contractual Service	37,520.00
Materials and Supplies	16,266.00
Equipment	600.00
Rents	1,200.00
Improvements	86,000.00
Land Purchases	205,000.00
Grand Total	$452,360.00

Remarks, Sheet

Maintenance and Repairs to Improvements $22,340.00

Excelsior-Change location of apparatus to provide additional courts, tennis and basketball, $500.00, and resurfacing baseball diamonds with red rock $200.00
Hamilton - Resurfacing baseball diamonds with top dressing of red rock$250.
Jackson -Ironstone Sewerage Pipe and sumps for drainage under baseball diamonds. Top layers of loam, planting grass seed, etc. $200.00 Move sand-box to new location adjoining apparatus section $50.00 Changes in Field House $100; three standards for lighting $250.00
James Rolph Jr.- Additional backstops on baseball diamond $200.00
Mission- Paths in lawn fronting Field House $1,500.00 Provide room in bath house for director, and Supply Room $400.00.
North Beach-Auditional lighting of ground for night use $250.00 Repairs in Field House (Doors, Showers, etc.$200.00
Presidio-Replace plumbing fixtures$300.00
Richmond-Replace slides, Giant Stride, etc. $300.00.
Southside-Changes on grounds to provide distinct boys' and girls' sections $200.00 Gymnasium Construction $10,000.
M.S.Hayward-Convert South quarter of playground into baseball diamonds (removal of trees, shrubbery, etc.) $600.00 Addition to Field House to provide Dressing Room and Shower Room $600.00.
Bath Houses-Scum gutters installed $2,640.00

Equipment Requests.....$600.00
One Typewriter, $125.00; One Adding Machine $150.00; One Desk $250.00;
One Set Files $75.00

Improvements.....$86,000.00
San Bruno-The necessary initial constructionwork, including grading, surfacing, tennis and basketball courts and field house $25,000.
Ocean View Initial construction work $10,000.
Funston- $20,000.00 For construction of Field House, and Gymnasium;
Bixler - $10,000.00 For the construction of tennis and basketball courts; sand box, slide and apparatus, lavatories, etc;
Dubocе- $5000.00 for changes necessary to convert same into a playground.
M.S.Hayward-$15,000.00 For the initial necessary work to convert the western half of the southern half of Jefferson Square into a playground for girls.

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South Park $1000.00 To place swings, slides and courts for the small children living east of Third Street.

Land. $205,000.00

Mission $50,000 which is the asking price for the property adjacent to Mission Bath House, and now rented and used as a part of Mission Playground.
San Bruno $60,000.00 including the purchase of six blocks at an approximate price of $10,000.00 per block.
Ocean View $50,000.00 for the purchase of that property bounded by Plymouth, Capitol, Montana and Lobos Streets, and diagonally across from the Sheridan School.
Bixler Property $45,000.00 S.W.Corner of Union and Green Sts.

General

The Playground Commission unanimously endorses:

The establishment of a Park and Playground on Telegraph Hill to be known as Pioneer Park; the establishment of a Playground in the Oceanside District; the Lakeview-Ingleside District; opposite Lecont School at Precita Ave., Folsom and Harrison; Visitacion Valley; and Glenn Park.

M. Philomene Hagan.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 19, 1922.

Notices having been sent to the Commissioners for the regular meeting on April 19th, 1922, failed to record a quorum.

M. Philomene Hagan,
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 3, 1922.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev.D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.
Mr. Henry B. Mills(On Leave)

Before proceeding with the regular order of business, permission was granted Mr. E.P.Burman, 134 Surrey Street, the Chairman of a large delegation from Glenn Park, the privilege of addressing the members of the Playground Commission. Mr. Burman asked for the Commission's endorsement of their project which is to have that tract of land known as Glenn Park which comprises ten acres, converted into a playground.

The President assured Mr. Burman that the Commission was in hearty accord with their request, and that a communication would be sent to the Board of Supervisors to that effect.

Moved by Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mrs. Hale, that the Playground Commission endorse petition of Glen Park, i.e. that Glenn Park be purchased for a playground. Unanimously carried, and secretary directed to notify Board of Supervisors accordingly.

The courtesy of addressing the Commission was then granted to Mr. John J. Calish, 1233-47th Avenue representing the Oceanside District, and asking that this Commission when making out their budget for next year, bear in mind the request for a playground in Oceanside. The sites recommended by those interested are as follows: 1-Site of the Francis Scott Key School.
2-A piece of land 240x600', owned by Carl Larson, at 45th-46th, J. and K.Streets.
3-46th-47th, L. and M.

They are especially in favor of the piece of land 240x600' bet J.&K. and 45th and 46th Ave.

Mr. Gilmour of 220 Burrows Street who came in to address the Commission relative to Southside Playground, was next granted the privilege of the floor. He requests that the Commission endorse the project of the purchase of that strip of land 75x225' which lies adjacent to Southside Playground, and which should be purchased to straighten out the line of this ground. The President informed Mr. Gilmour that the Commission will investigate same, and willsend whatever recommendation they have to make to the Board of Supervisors.

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meetings, March 15th, April 5th, April 10th, and April 19th were approved as read.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Secretary was directed to make notes of all conference meetings of Playground Commissioners. Carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Stern that Mr. Herz be given authority to speak to any director who is not doing his or her duty, especially with matters which pertain to morals, but if it is something that is not of immediate need, to be referred to the office. Mrs. Hale seconded the motion, and it was unanimously carried.

Miss Ware was then called upon to report on the following matter: April 24th a man by name, Charles Stewart, was arrested for violation of Penal Code 288. Said C.Stewart was held by Judge McAtee to answer in the Superior Court. Bail fixed at $30,000 bond, $15,000 cash.

A motion was made by Mrs. Stern that a director or caretaker on each playground, according to the judgment of the Commission, should be made a Special Police Officer and to act in that capacity, and that a star be provided having engraved on it"Playground Special Police". Seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried.

Miss Heyneman reported that an experiment was to be tried on the Jackson Playground by having a nature study group organized for boys from nine to fourteen years, who are not otherwise interested in coming to the playground. The leader is to be a volunteer teacher from the State Teachers' College.

Permission was granted to have Miss Edith Dennet come as a volunteer worker in this department for six weeks beginning on May 10th, and serving her internship from the Department of Social Economics University of California, to render service to this department and to gain experience for herself.

Bills and current expenses, to date,were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:10 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 17, 1922.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p. m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley,presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.;
Mrs. P. C. Hale.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The privilege of the floor was granted to Mr.A. Gilmour who is interested in having the property line of Southside Playground on the Harriet Street boundary straightened out by the purchase of a piece of property 75' x 225'. Referred to the Grounds Committee.

COMMUNICATION

A communication was received from a group of young men in the vicinity of Jackson Playground asking the Playground Commission to reconsider their general order of April 28th, and make an exception of the Jackson Playground. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. McLaren, exception was made in favor of Jackson and Southside Playgrounds, i.e. the industrial groups may use Jackson baseball diamond at the noon hour and Southside diamonds between one and three on specific occasions provided children are not free to use them.

A communication was received from Chairman Athletic Committee, League of the Cross Cadets asking to have the use of a baseball diamond on 5 consecutive Sundays. Ordered filed, the Secretary reported the schedule had been arranged as requested.

Communication signed by three residents in the vicinity of Southside Playground complaining about broken windows caused from flying balls. Referred to the Grounds Committee.

Communication from Mr. J. A. Rourke requesting permission to use the tennis courts at the M.S.Hayward Playground in the early morning hours. Referred to the Play Committee.

Communication from Mr. Wm.D. McCann enclosing a photograph of apparatus used on a playground in China, and suggesting the same for the S. F.Playgrounds.

A communication from Dr. Emily H. Noble, Supervisor of Practice Work,Dept. of Economics, University of California, acknowledging receipt of a list of dramatic plays submitted from this office;and stating that Miss Dennett would not be able to serve her internship with this department as planned, because of having received an appointment to a permanent position.

A discussion of Glenn Park resulted in the unanimous adoption of the following resolution: Resolved that the members of the Playground Commission in regular session May 17th, earnestly request the Honorable Board of Supervisors to set aside the sum of $10,000 as the first installment on the payment for the acquisition for the City and County of San Francisco of Glenn Park, for playground purposes and the Secretary directed to forward a copy to the Board of Supervisors.

Miss Ware reported that Charles Stewart had been held to answer in the Superior Court on one charge and four counts. Bail $30,000 bond, $15,000 cash. She further reported that the case was to be hurried.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $1765.40 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

San Francisco, June 7, 1922.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3 p. m., Pres. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. S. Stern;
Mr. F. Dohrmann;

Absent: Mrs.P.C.Hale;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Petition

A petition was received from mothers in the vicinity of Presidio Heights Playground asking for the reinstatement of Miss Popper as Director thereon. Referred to the Play Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. S. N. Sperry Scout Master of Troop No. 106., thanking the Playground Commission for placing at the disposal of the Scouts, the building at 2543 Sacramento Street as a meeting place. Meetings are held on Thursday from 7:15 to 9:15 p. m. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Signe E. Hagelthorn, Director Department of Physical Education, announcing the first regatta of the San Francisco High Schools held at the foot of Van Ness Avenue, on May 31st. Ordered filed.

From J. C. Astredo, calling the attention of the Playground Commission to the possibility of securing in the High Sierras, a piece of land, suitable for a municipal camp site. Ordered filed. The Secretary reporting it is the intention of Mr. Astredo to appear in person to explain the possibilities of such a camp.

A communication was received from Miss Abbie Condit, Assistant Secretary of the Playground and Recreation Association of America announcing a National Playground Congress at Atlantic City, New Jersey, October 9to 12th, and inviting the cooperation of this department in making the Congress a success. Ordered filed.

Communication from Ralph R. Nelson, Secretary and Actuary, Board of Administration, Retirement System of Employees calling attention to Sec. 15 and 19, Ordinance No. 5561 (New Series), which extends coverage under death and disability benefits to members of the Retirement System for four months after they leave "city service." The coverage being made for the benefit of those employees who are temporarily out of city service by reason of a lay-off, leave of absence, etc. Ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. George J. Duffey asking to be transferred from present position(swimming instructor) to one which would enable him to carry on the same kind of work which he had done during the winter,when the bath houses were closed. Ordered filed. The transfer as requested having been made.

Miss Reed, Director of Fairmount, extends to the members of the Commission an invitation to be present at the Fairmount School on Monday, June 12th, for the distribution of Block Letters and Pennants to individuals and teams winning in a series of games extending over the period of the Spring Term. An invitation was extended by Miss Heyneman to the members of the commission to be present on Friday, June 16th at Jackson Playground on the occasion of the first entertainment to be given by the Merry Hearts Club of Jackson Playground.

Mr. Mills, Chairman of the Play Committee, reported on a communication from Playground Directors requesting that the annual vacation be extended to three weeks instead of being limited to two weeks, as at present. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the Commission went on record as opposing the extension of the present two weeks. Should directors desire the third week, they may have same at their own expense.

Request of Miss Reed, Dir. of Fairmount Schoolyard, for a two month's leave of absence, because of ill health, granted as requested.

Mr. Mills brought up for discussion the question of charging admission for entertainments and the like to be held at Jackson Playground, the funds so derived to be expended in furthering activities of organized groups thereon. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, it was decided that the charging of admission be permitted, at the discretion of the Director.

Mr. Mills further reported having called on the Mayor's office for the specific purpose of having some financial appropriation made to this department by the Fourth of July Committee, to be expended on some special feature, preferably a Track Meet.

It was moved by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried that this department avail itself of the opportunity for rowing offered by the Board of Education, under the following regulations: 1- Use of boats be limited to boys and girls over 14 years of age. 2- That rowing be conducted only within the cove at foot of Van Ness Ave., and not beyond. 3- That membership in Playground Rowing Clubs, be given only to those boys and girls who are proficient in swimming. Such proficiency to be demonstrated by actual tests. 4- That in addition to man in charge of boat, be secure from the Yerba Buena Station, two Marines to act as guards while this activity is in progress.

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Miss Heyneman reporting on Community Organization at Jackson stated that 512 people had been interested in activities as follows:
Community Dances ..120 men and 110 women ; Evening Athletics for adults 51 men; 66 women; Nature Study 32 boys, 20 girls; Russian Art Club ... 6 boys and 16 girls; Adult Sewing..60 mothers; Dramatics...11 girls ; Camp Fire...20 girls.

Mr. Herz in reporting on ground conditions asked permission to order two carloads of Monterey Sand to replenish sand boxes of department. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, permission was granted. Mr. Herz requested permission with the approval of the Chairman of the Grounds Committee to make urgent repairs in the department. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, permission was granted.

Mr. Mills suggested that before July 1st, the appropriation for the coming fiscal year be itemized according to anticipated needs of the department, and that expenditures be made according to such itemization. It was the concensus of opinion that suggestion should be carried out.

In discussing committees of the department, Pres. Rev.D.O.Crowley asked Mr. Dohrmann to temporarily act as Chairman of the Finance Committee, and appointed Mrs. Stern on the Grounds Committee.

In discussing the proposed playground site in the Presidio, Mrs. Stern stated she would communicate with the government officials at the Presidio to hurry matters along, and then instruct this office how to proceed further.

The Secretary making a partial report on a recent trip to the State Conference of Social Agencies at San Diego, and to the Playgrounds of San Diego, Los Angeles and Fresno stated the outstanding features of these departments were the Summer Camps, the Working Men's Club of Los Angeles, Field Houses, the playground at 3rd and Utah Streets, because of the typical Russian Groups, and the Evening baseball Leagues of the Fresno Department, and suggested that this department experiment with evening baseball as a possible relief for the present congestion of diamonds on Saturday afternoon and Sunday. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Mills, and carried, the experiment is to be made at Southside and James Rolph Playgrounds, after July 1st. A special director to be appointed to carry on this activity is to receive compensation not to exceed $40.00 monthly.

It was further suggested that a speaker be secured to address Playground Directors at the regular monthly meeting called on the first Wednesday evening of each month.

A communication was received from Miss Foley stating the circulation of a petition had been called to her attention, the solicitor presenting same indicating it was mutually agreeable to she and Miss Popper and stating that any such petition or other mutual effort is without her sanction. Referred to the Play Committee.

The Secretary reported this being the last month of the Fiscal Year, all bills for June would be presented at a later date.

Meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. Patrice Hagan

Playground Commission

San Francisco. June 21, 1922.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:14 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr.John McLaren;

Absent: Mr. F.H.Dohrmann;
Mrs. P.C.Hale.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Council of Social and Health Agencies asking us to verify the delegates appointed by this Commission to represent this department in the Council. The matter was deferred until the next regular meeting.

A communication was received from Mrs. Norris, Secretary of the Board of Education notifying the members of the Playground Commission of Mr. Dohrmann's inability to attend the meeting, due to his absence from the city.

From the Assistant of the Playgreund and Recreation Association of America, Miss Abbie Condit, seeking the co-operation of this department in the Recreation Congress to be held at Atlantic City Oct 9 - 12th.

From the Board of Supervisors asking information regarding automobile service in this department.

Miss Hagan reported that there was an average daily attendance in the swimming tanks of 500 which necessitates the purchase of approximately ten dozen new trunks. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Mills, the Secretary was authorized to purchase ten dozen new trunks.

The first test for eligibility in the Rowing, to be conducted at the foot of Van Ness Avenue, was held and several passed. The next test will be held in the near future. In the San Francisco Playground Baseball Series, 31 teams are entered which are divided into a Junior and Senior Division. At the meeting of the Baseball Captains in the office on Monday, June 19th, "Jim" Scott, Pitcher of the Seals, delivered a very appropriate and interesting talk to the boys. The baseball schedule will cover a seven week's period.

Mr. Herz reported, in accordance with permission granted, that sand boxes throughout the department have been refilled, and that urgent improvements on the grounds are being made. Included in these urgent improvements is the attention to be given to filteration at the swimming tanks.

In discussing plans for the new fiscal year, Mr. McLaren's suggestion that Mr. Herz have a survey made of Margaret S. Hayward, Ocean View, University Mound met with the unanimous consent of all present.

There was quite a good deal of discussion on the University Mound proposed site, discussion on which the Chairman decided was to be deferred until a later date.

It was proposed that upon Mr. Dohrmann's return a committee be appointed to call on the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors to know if it will be feasible for this department to place initial payments on the several new playground sites.

Mrs. Stern reported that regarding the playground in the Presidio, she had been assured from both Mr. Kahn and his Secretary that the matter is well under way.

Mr. McLaren in discussing tentative plans for the fiscal year, moved that we immediately improve and put in order for occupancy, Glen Park. Seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried.

Miss Heyneman reported on the Presidio Heights situation, and after a discussion of same, it was decided that the Superintendent make a study of the lay-out of the ground and to determine wherein changes can be made to permit of more space for games, also that a wind break be established around the children's section. Mr. McLaren agreed to attend to this latter request.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Mills, the appointment of a man for a three month's period commencing July 1st, to look after the interest of the boys frequenting Presidio Heights, and to take them to some vacant place in the Presidio Reservation, for play, was unanimously carried.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Secretary was authorized to purchase a Victrola to be used at Presidio for folk dancing.

Mr. Mills brought up the matter of this department being reimbursed by the Board of Supervisors for the payment of six month's rent of Mission Playground. The Secretary was directed to take the matter up with the parties concerned.

The Superintendent reported that the Fourth of July Committee had voted to turn over $100 of their funds to this department for the Fourth of July

celebration to be held under the auspices of this Commission.

Bills and current expenses to date, were approved and ordered paid. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:35p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomene Hagan

Secretary.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Playground Commission for the transaction of regular business, was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Henry E.Mills,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Dohrmann,
Mrs. Hale.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Stern presented a communication received from Mr. Lewis E. Haas, Secretary Committee on Military Affairs, House of Representatives, stating that officials of the War Department are preparing a revocable lease for the Presidio Playground, and further stating that said lease would soon be forwarded to the Playground Commission of San Francisco.

In discussing the proposed Presidio Playground, Mrs. Stern reported an interview with General Morton in which the General stated HisChief of Staff, Colonel Holbrook, would help the Playground Commission in every way possible to develop the playground.

The concensus of opinion regarding the present Presidio Heights Playground is that a rearrangement of apparatus should be made, some of the apparatus to be utilized on the new ground, and that present playground be retained for small children.

In considering plans for the new ground it was also suggested that perhaps arrangements for the construction of a simple field house, and lavatories, could be made with the government officials at the Presidio.

In discussing expenditures for the coming fiscal year, the allocation of funds to the various accounts was made as follows:

Total for Personal			$100,198.00
Non-Personal			
Water.		600.00	
Rent and Taxes(Mission Plyg.).		1450.00	
Gas and Electricity.....		2000.00	
Recreation Supplies.....		7000.00	
Materials and Supplies ..... (Hdwr.Tools,Rope,Paints,Etc)		6000.00	
Upkeep Automobile.....		500.00	
Maintenance Repairs,		600.00	
" to Equip....		700.00	
Tan Bark.....		800.00	
Refilling Sand Boxes.....			
Miscellaneous(carfare,events, Adv. etc.....		500.00	
Laundry.....		1500.00	
Deficit 1921-22 approximated	4000.00	31,350.00	$131,548.00

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, it was unanimously adopted as the schedule to be followed.

In discussing Funston Square, it was the unanimous opinion of the meeting that the Playground Commission would not assume jurisdiction thereon until the Field House shall have been completed and be ready for occupancy. The Park to remain in the jurisdiction of the Park Commission until such time.

Rev. D.O.Crowley appointed Mr. McLaren a committee of one to interview Supervisor John O. Wetmore, Chairman LandsCommittee, Bd. of Supervisors, regarding the feasibility of making initial payments on proposed playground sites.

Moved by Mr. Henry E. Mills, seconded by Mr. John McLaren, that the Secretary address a communication to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors asking that they turn over to this department the $22,000 appropriated for Funston Playground and the $15,000 appropriated for M.S.Hayward in order that we may proceed with the work before the inclement weather begins.

Moved by Mr.McLaren, seconded by H.E.Mills that the new portion of the M.S.Hayward Playground be known as the Girls' section.

The Secretary was directed to address a communication to Supervisor Charles Powers, Chairman Lighting Committee, asking him to make provision for the necessary lighting of Jackson Playground.

A communication was received from the North Beach Promotion Association asking that the Columbus Avenue gate of the North Beach Playground be closed and requesting a hearing before the Commission.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Secretary was authorized to purchase awards for winners in Interplayground Track Meets on July Fourth.

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San Francisco,

Mrs. S. Stern presented the Commission with a check for $25.00 to be expended on materials used by the group of Russian children meeting at Jackson Playground on Saturday mornings with Mrs. Young-Hunter. The check has been deposited with the Treasurer.

Before adjournment the Commission decided to meet next Wednesday, July, 12th, 1922.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

D. Salomon Hagan

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 10, 1922.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m. by the President, Rev. D.O.Crowley.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Fred Dohrmann Jr;
Henry B. Mills;
John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting, on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Mills, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the North Beach Promotion Assn. requesting that this Commission investigate the possibility of closing the gate of the North Beach Playground fronting on Columbus Avenue. Ordered filed, the matter having been satisfactorily attended to.

A letter from Joseph Rossi asking that he be granted a leave of absence, was not deemed advisable since it is understood that he has terminated his services with the department having accepted a position elsewhere.

A communication from AndrewGilmour, asking that we recommend to the Board of Supervisors the purchase of a small strip of property adjoining the Southside Playground. This not being the opportune time, the matter will be considered at a later date. Ordered filed.

From the Y.M.C.A. acknowledging receipt of a circular from this department announcing the evening baseball program. Ordered filed.

A letter from Manuel F. Silva requesting exclusive permission to sell ice cream, pop corn, candies and peanuts in front of Jackson Playground was denied inasmuch as this Commission has no right to grant any exclusive privileges.

A communication was received from Mr. Koester, Acting Secretary Park Commissioners, in which a letter from Salem, Massachusettes was enclosed, requesting pictures of playgrounds. Ordered filed, the pictures having been already forwarded.

A letter was received from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company giving estimates on the electric lighting to be installed at the North Beach Playground. Estimates having been satisfactory, the work will commence immediately. Ordered filed.

Communication was received from the International Association of Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers recommending Mr. Flagler who is desirous of securing employment with the Playground Commission.

A letter was received from Andrew J. Gallagher recommending an applicant for a position as a playground director.

A communication was received from Miss Gertrude Freese, Dir. Richmond Playground stating that two residents whose property adjoins Richmond Playground request that the fences nearest their property be heightened in order that they be protected from balls entering their property. Ordered filed.

The Play Committee's report concerning the appointment of directors in the department was given as follows:

Mr. Bahls,	Hamilton Playground	vice	Mr. G.T.Mack
Mr. Doran	M.S.Hayward "	"	Mr. Emil Larrecou
Mr. Needles	Southside "	"	Mr. Wm. Sweigert
Mr. Gandy	Presidio Heights "		

Miss Claire Evans to teach Folk Dancing and Kinderg rten throughout the department.

Miss Dorothy Marston M.S.Hayward Playground vice Miss Marjorie Thorn.

Miss Thorn's leave of absence from the M.S.Hayward Playground between Aug. 19th and Dec. 14th was granted, and reappointment at the termination of the leave will be effective provided there is an opening.

Miss Hagan reported on the activities of the departmentas follows:

In the Fourth of July Track and Field Meet held at Jackson Playground there were 250 participants, M.S. Hayward Playground winning the meet.

The baseball tournament which was played during the vacation brought a victory to the James Rolph Playground in the Junior Division, and to Excelsior Playground in the Senior.

The Annual Boys' Swimming Meet which will be held on August 26th, will be preceeded with tryouts from each individual playground, the first and second in each event to be eligible for entry in the meet, and the boys placing third to be considered as substitutes. On September 16th, the Girls' Swimming Meet will be held.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

During the Fall season, there will be a Soccer and American Football series for boys, and a volley ball and basketball series for girls. We will also place a weight team in the P.A.A.

Demands amounting to $2,902.89 were approved and ordered paid on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Henry B. Mills and unanimously carried.

Mr. Henry B. Mills reported on the construction of a fence at Richmond Playground cost of which was $57.00, and which is satisfactory to all concerned.

Mr. Herz presented a plan for the developmentof the new section of the M.S.Hayward Playground which was approved by the Commission. On motion of Mr. Dorhmann, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, he was authorized to proceed with the development thereof, after submitting completed plans to the Grounds Committee for their approval.

Mr. Herz's report on improvements accomplished on the various playgrounds was approved as rendered.

The Superintendent was authorized, on motion of Mr. H.B.Mills, seconded by Mr. Fred Dohrmann and carried, to purchase and install five sand box awnings on five of the S.F.Playgrounds.

In discussing the coming Recreation Congress to be held at Atlantic City in October, on motion of Henry B. Mills, seconded by John McLaren and carried, the Commission agreed to send Miss Hagan, and to allow her additional time whereby she may be free to visit the playground and recreation departments of importance in the East, and also to allow her $500.00 to cover expenses.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:05p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomene Hagan

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 23, 1922.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P. C. Hale.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and carried, the minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

A committee from the Park-Presidio District, Mr. H. Clay Chairman, addressed the Commission requesting that a lot on the west side of 24th Avenue between Geary and Anza Streets, be turned into a playground. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills, Mr. Herz was directed to meet the committee at the location under discussion, make a complete investigation reporting at the next meeting the estimated cost of converting the lot into a playground.

Mr. Rhine, speaking in the interest of the Swift Estate,was granted the privilege of the floor. He asked that some immediate step be taken by the Commission to purchase the property adjacent to Mission Playground, now leased by this department. The President requested Mr. Rhine to submit to this office the purchase price of the property, eliminating the Valencia Street frontage, and assured the speaker of the cooperation of the Playground Commission.

Following the instruction of the President to interview the Finance Committee, Mr. Dohrmann reported that he had had a satisfactory talk regarding the feasibility of paying initial payments on new properties, and then paying yearly installments.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from John L. McNab, Attorney for the Chinese Six Companies suggesting that a certain piece of property be transferred to the Playground Commission in trust for a period of years and to be used as a playground for Chinese children. The object of the transfer being to avoid the payment of taxes because of the use to which the property is devoted. Referred to Mr. Henry B. Mills for the purpose of investigating the legality of such transfer.

Miss Margaret I. Foley requested a leave of absence for a period of six months, because of the critical illness of her father. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, request was granted.

Miss Hagan reported that information had reached this office through a newspaper reporter of the favorable action of the War Department regarding the Presidio lease, but no official communication had been received. The President appointed Mr. Dohrmann a committee of one to confer with Honorable Julius Kahn on the subject.

Mr. Henry B. Mills presented a field house plan for consideration in the contemplated development of Funston Square.

Director of Recreational Activities, Miss M.Philomene Hagan, reported the following:

Boys' Swimming Meet, Saturday, August 26th, at North Beach Playground, to which meet the Commission is cordially invited to attend.

Tryouts for all playgrounds were conducted as follows:

Excelsior,	Sat. Aug.	19th,	10:a.m.	Mission Tank;
Hamilton,	"	"	1 p.m	" "
Jackson	"	"	10:a.m.	" "
Presidio	"	"	1 p.m.	Mission Tank;
Richmond	Fri.	" 18th	3:30	North Beach"
Southside	Sat.	" 19th	1 p.m.	Mission Tank;
Spring Valley	Fri."	18th	3:30	North Beach
M.S.Hayward	Sat.	" 19th	1 p.m.	Mission Tank;
James Rolph	"	"	3 p.m.	" "
Paul Revere	"	"	10 a.m.	" "
Bay View	"	"	" "	" "
Grattan	"	"	3 p.m.	" "
Fairmount	"	"	" "	" "
James Lick	"	"	" "	" "
North Beach and Mission	Arranged by Mr. Center. No try-out later than August 19th.			

Mr. Herz requested permission to proceed with preliminary work on the western half of M.S.Hayward as per plans approved by Mr. McLaren. On motion of Mr. Dorhmann, seconded by Mr. Mills, and carried, permission was granted, and Mr. Herz was authorized to secure emergency men at $5.00 per day.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $4124.23 on Demand 5, were approved

and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:15p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Philamena Hagan.
Secretary.

San Francisco, September 6, 1922.

MEETING

Notices having been sent to the Commissioners for the regular meeting on September 6th, failed to record a quorum. Father Crowley and Mr. Henry B. Mills were the only members present, and the business to come before the meeting was taken up in an informal way,--the meeting being called to order at 2:15p.m. Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley - Henry B. Mills

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting.

Two interested parties from the Park-Presidio District called in to inquire about the status of the Park-Presidio playground request, but the Superintendent, Mr. Herz, who was authorized to look into the matter was not present, and hence no report was available.

Two ladies representing the San Bruno District were present inquiring about the purchase of land for playground purposes in that district in order to abate the nuisance which the present sheep corrals are causing. The Chairman explained to them that we went on record as being in favor of a playground site where the sheep corrals are located; and also urged them to see the Board of Supervisors immediately, inasmuch as that is the only body which has the power to acquire new land.

Mrs. Gisner was next granted the privilege of addressing the Commission, and pointed out the need for supervision at Mountain Lake Park. The Secretary was asked to communicate with the Park Commission regarding this matter.

COMMUNICATIONS

Several letters were received, but no definite action was taken regarding them.

One was received from Miss Stella Harris, Dir. at Excelsior Playground, asking that she be considered an applicant for the directorship of the new Funston Playground. Referred to Play Committee, for action at a later date.

Another from the Secretary of the Ocean View Improvement Club asking information regarding the status of the Ocean View Playground.

Another was a copy of a letter sent out by Major-General J.H.McRae from the War Department to Honorable Julius Kahn, informing him that the Secretary of War is in favor of granting a revocable license to the City of San Francisco to utilize a certain part of the Presidio of S. F. for recreation purposes.

A communication was received from J. A. McGregor, Vice-President of the Boy Scouts of America, voicing his appreciation of the cooperation of the Playground Commission in making it possible for a Scout Troop to hold its meeting in the Sacramento Street Bldg.

A communication was received from the Gyro Club of Vancouver asking for any available plans, specifications, etc., suitable for the building of a playground in that city, and particularly asking for plans of the James Rolph Jr. Playground, if available.

A letter was received from Miss Gertrude S. Freese, wherein she asks for an increase in salary.

Two letters were received, one from the Independent Midwinter League and the other from the Foresters League making a request for the reservation of baseball diamonds. The matter having been duly taken up, the letters were ordered filed.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $1721.99 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Philamena Hagan
Secretary

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Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 20, 1922.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m. by the President, Rev.D.O.Crowley. Since there were but two Commissioners present, the Commission met as a Minority Board.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of August 23rd and September 6th, were approved as read, subject to the general approval of the Commission at the next regular meeting.

The Superintendent reported regarding the request of the Park-Presidio committee,as mentioned in the minutes of Aug.23rd, as follows:

"In compliance with direction of the Playgrounnd Commission, on August 24th I visited the site at 24th Avenue between Geary and Anza with a committee representing the Park-Presidio Improvement Club.
It was the opinion of this committee after looking over the ground that they would be satisfied if future dumping is stopped on this lot, and that contractor McHugh who had previously dumped on this lot be kept to his promise and do the leveling off.
I reported this to Mr. Dohrmann of the Board of Education who communicated with Officer Sweeney of the Police Department. Officer Sweeney informed him that a police officer had been told about the Park-Presidio situation to prevent future dumping in this lot. Signs have been erected on the ground prohibiting any dumping, and contractor McHugh has been notified by the Police Department to grade off the lot."

A request from the San Bruno District for the erection of a baseball backstop at Goettingen and Bacon Streets was approved and the Superintendent authorized to proceed with the erection of same.

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A letter was received from the Philippine Legislature regarding the prohibition of Filipino boys from playing with their American girl friends on the Jefferson Square Playground. Asst. Secretary instructed to reply that there is an unwritten law regarding boys and girls playing tennis together, which becomes effective subject to the discretion of the Directors in charge. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the West of Fillmore Street Improvement Association regarding a certain drinking fountain being out of order in Hamilton Square. Ordered filed, matter having been settled by the Superintendent.

The announcement of the Fourteenth Annual Basketball Tournament of the P.S.A.L. was received and ordered filed. This tournament will be conducted on the Municipal Playgrounds of San Francisco.

Two communications were received from the Park Commission, one stating that the Mt. Lake Park matter had been referred to the Police Department for investigation, and the other replying that the planting of a suitable hedge at the Presidio Heights Playgrounnd would be attended to immediately. Both letters were ordered filed.

A letter was received from W. F.Benedict, Asst. Sec. to the Mayor acknowledging receipt of the Annual Report of the Playground Commission to the Mayor.

A communication was received from the Parkside District Club regarding regulations concerning park squares. The Asst. Sec. instructed to forward the letter to the Park Commission for reply.

A communication was received from Edward Rainey, Exec. Sec. to the Mayor requesting that all employees of Jewish faith be given every possibility to observe Jewish New Year and the Day of Atonement. Ordered filed, and the Asst. Sec. directed to comply accordingly.

A request was received from the Los Angeles Public Library asking for our latest annual report, and also to be placed on our mailing list. Ordered filed, and the requested report will be forwarded.

A letter was received from Mrs. Irene Lonkey asking about the requirements necessary to fill a playground position. Ordered filed, and Asst.Secretary instructed to reply to same.

On motion regularly moved and carried, a letter was ordered sent to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, requesting that they transfer to the Playground Commission the sum of $15,000 appropriated for the development of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground under Item No. 65, and the $20,000 appropriated for the improvement of Funston Square under Item No. 61, Miscellaneous Accts. under control of the Bd. of Supervisors.

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The Asst.Sec. reported that the Annual Girls' Swimming Meet held on Saturday, September 16th was a decided success. Not only was it evident that the form of swimming had improved remarkably, but this meet so excelled previous meets, that there really was no comparison.

Bills and current expenses to date, on Demand 8, amounting to $1076.20 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vida B. Young

Asst.Secretary.

San Francisco, October 4, 1922.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order today at the hour of 2:20 p.m., by the President, Rev. D.O.Crowley.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meetings were on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read, subject to the approval of the Commission at the first quorum meeting.

Mr. Charles Baer, owner of the 25 ft. lot adjacent to Presidio Heights Playground, called in to see the Commission to offer his property for the sale price of $4750 if they desire to purchase same. He was informed by the Chairman that it is not the desire of the Commission to purchase this property, because we have another playground in view in the immediate vicinity, i.e., in the Presidio Reservation.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors asking whether or not we desire to acquire vacant lot adjoining Presidio Heights Playground since application for change in zoning ordinance was made, to permit the erection of flats thereon. Action is being deferred until definite information is received from the city as to whether or not it wishes the land for playground purposes. The Commission went on record as being opposed to the purchase, inasmuch as we have acquired the use of eight acres for playground purposes in the Presidio, which is only a few blocks away.

A communication was received from the War Department, S.F. General Intermediate Depot, Quartermaster Section, Fort Mason, enclosing revocable lease for a certain parcel of ground in the U.S. Military Reservation, Presidio of San Francisco, for use as a public playground for children. Assistant Secretary to acknowledge receipt of same. Communication ordered filed.

Communication was received from the Secretary of theBoard of Education wherein it stated a resolution was passed extending the period of occupancy by this Commission of the school lot on Sacramento Street, near Fillmore to Dec.31, 1923. Also another resolution was passed granting us the use of a school lot at 24th Avenue bet. Geary and Anza Streets for playground purposes. Asst. Sec. asked to communicate with the Board of Education thanking them for their offer, but informing them that we have no use for this property in question.Ordered filed.

Letter received from Council of Social and Health Agencies calling attention to a meeting of delegates to be held Wednesday evening, October 11, 1922. Ordered filed, since delegates have been notified accordingly.

Letter received from the Community Service Recreation League enclosing blanks to be filled out concerning the program we will hold on our various playgrounds, during Music Week, November 6th to 12th. Ordered filed.

Communication was received from a mother in vicinity of Spring Valley Playground asking if it would be possible to enlarge the playground. Orderedfiled.

Two letters were received from the Boy Scout Headquarters expressing appreciation for the use of the PlaygroundClub Rooms on Sacramento Street for Scout meetings.

Communication was received from the Public Schools Athletic League announcing the Third Annual Track and Field Meet. Ordered filed.

Communication was received from the Gyro Club of Vancouver, thanking us for information and plans forward to them. Ordered filed.

Communication from a Committee representing the Parents and Teachers Assn. of the Pacific Heights School was received, petitioning our Board to have a playgrounnd established in either Alta or Lafayette Square, and also stating their willingness to come and speak to the Commissioners regarding same. Asst. Sec. asked to reply stating we should be glad to have them call, and will do all we can to cooperate with them toward getting a playground.

Communication from the Board of Supervisors calling attention to the fact that demands for payment of money are to be filed with the clerk not later than 5 o'clock on Thursdays of each week. Ordered filed, and this request will be carried out.

Mr. Herz rendered a report which was approved as read. Concerning the plans for erection of an iron fence for the new portion of the M.S.P. Playground, on motion regularly moved and carried, the original plans are to be adopted, i.e. that an iron fence is to be constructed so as to conform with the already existing fence in the established playground.

The plans for the Funston Square Playground will be held in abeyance until Mrs. Stern receives a scheme from Mr. Henry Beaumont Herts which he has promised to send in the very near future.

Regarding the Presidio Reservation site, Mrs. Stern, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Mills will visit General Morton to determine what aid may be received from the Army.

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San Francisco,

ON motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, permission for adults to use the Club House Diamond at Southside Playground has been rescinded, due to the fact that complaints have been so numerous caused from the danger and damage due to flying baseballs.

Miss Heyneman reported that a man director had been placed on the Presidio Heights Playground to be in charge of boy's activities both on the playground and elsewhere, but that sufficient time has not elapsed to determine whether or not he is going to make a success of the particular work assigned him. She also reported that the playground is opened on Sundays, with a woman director in charge. In regard to the Rowing which is held at the foot of Van Ness Avenue on Saturday mornings, we have been notified by the Coast Guard that whenever possible they will send out one of their men on Saturday mornings, but they can not guarantee his presence there each week.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $2884.63 on Demands 9 and 10, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Edw B. Young
Asst. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 18, 1922.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
John McLaren;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mrs.P.C.Hale

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills, and carried.

The committee of two, representing the Pacific Heights Parents and Teacher's Association, called in the office regarding the establishment of a playground in the Alta or Lafayette Square. The matter was referred to Mr. McLaren, Supt. of the Park Commission, who agreed to work in cooperation with the committee toward taking definite steps in the matter.

Mr. Gilmour was next granted the privilege of the floor, and on motion regularly moved and carried, a reversal of the order of business was instituted, and the letter he sent to the Commission was read. It fully explained the reason why a certain piece of property 75' x 225' adjoining Southside Playground should be purchased, in order to straighten out the boundary line on the Harriet Street side of this playground. Mr. Gilmour asked the Commission if it would go on record as being in favor of the purchase by the Board of Supervisors of this piece of land, which request resulted in a resolution being unanimously passed, as follows:

RESOLVED That the Playground Commission in regular session, October 18, 1922, heartily endorses the purchase by the Board of Supervisors of a certain portion of land 75' x 225' adjoining Southside Playground, 7th and Harrison Streets, the 75' frontage facing on Harrison Street, and the 225' frontage on Harriet.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the Board of Supervisors be urged to buy this piece of land in order that the boundary lines of Southside Playground may be straightened out, and that we may be free to beautify this now unsightly piece of property.

The Assistant Secretary was asked to send a copy to both Mr. Gilmour and to the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Insurance Basketball League asking for the use of one of our indoor courts, but upon investigation, they were found to be too small. We were therefore unable to take care of the request. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Jessica B. Peixotto, Department of Economics, University of California, thanking this Department for the opportunity we gave the university students to visit the M.P.Playgrounds. Ordered filed.

Communication from the Board of Education revoking permission heretofore granted the Playground Commission to use the school lot at 34th Avenue, between Geary and Anza Streets. Ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. Cacciari, the Secretary of the Italian American Mutual Aid Association, asking when Glenn Park is to be used as a public playground. Assistant Secretary instructed to notify him that the matter of the Glenn Park Playground is still in the hands of the Finance Committee, and that the land has not as yet been turned over to this Commission. Ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Rosekrans, Executive Secretary C.S.P.L. asking for information concerning the recreational facilities of San Francisco. Ordered Assistant Secretary directed to answer same to the best of her ability. Ordered filed.

Communication from the P.S.A.L. announcing their 1922 Basketball schedule which will be played off on the municipal playgrounds.

The Assistant Secretary reported that the Twilight baseball play was carried out on Jackson, Southside and James Rolph during the months of July, August and September was a success, the attendance was as follows, during that time: Southside, 2,875 Jackson 2,785 and James Rolph 4,450.

The girls' volley ball, and the boys' soccer tournaments are nearing completion, and the girls' basketball tournament just commenced on Monday, October 16th.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, the Superintendent was instructed to proceed with the advertising for bids for the asphalt work to be done on the new portion of the M.P.Playground Playground.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried, the Superintendent was instructed to make the necessary repairs on the following playgrounds.
Excelsior.- shingling of roof, and installation of new drain pipes.
Hamilton - new wire to be placed on division fences.
Spring Valley - shingling of roof and sides of field house, and installation of new drain pipes.

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On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the bath house season this year will close on October 31st, and the Swimming Instructors are to be notified accordingly, and they will be kept in mind when the tanks are about to be opened next year. If however, in the meantime, they wish to be considered for playground directorships, we shall be glad to have them file application in the regular way.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, a resolution of thanks was ordered sent to both General Morton and Congressman Kahn for their efforts in securing a lease on a certain portion of the Presidio Reservation, for the use of the Playground Commission for recreational purposes.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and carried, the Superintendent was instructed to prepare preliminary sketches and secure estimates on the lay out of the ground and of the Field House for Funston Square and that preference in the improvement thereof, be given to the Field House construction.

Bills on Demand #11, amounting to $686.00 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Edna B Young

Asst. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 1, 1922.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p.m., by the President, Rev. D.O.Crowley. Inasmuch as there were only three members of the Commission present, the Commission met as a Minority Board.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved subject to the general approval of the Commission at its next regular meeting.

Mr. Lawrence, who owns some property in the contemplated area to be set aside for playground purposes in the Ocean View District, was granted the privilege of the floor, and inquired about the proposed method of purchasing the site. The Chairman informed him that this matter is in the hands of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, and it is from them that he may obtain this information.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Playground and Recreation Association of America enclosing their annual questionaire. Asst. Secretary directed to complete same and forward it to the office of that Association.

A communication was received from the Education, Parks and Playgrounds committee, signed by the five members thereof, petitioning the Playground Commission to retain in its service Mrs. Silva who was employed during the swimming season as bath house assistant. The Commission was of the opinion that inasmuch as there are no vacancies in the department, that she apply to the Board of Education for a janitorial position. A communication was ordered sent to the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee notifying them accordingly, and also informing them that Mrs. Silva is employed in this department the entire year on Sundays, directing play.

The Annual Report of the San Francisco Boys' Club was received, and ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Community Service Recreation League thanking this department for having forwarded information that they requested. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Thomas and Sullivan, Attorneys at Law, relative to the premises at 1053 Harrison Street, adjoining Southside Playground there some time ago the privilege of selling ice cream, candy and the like was prevented, due to the fact that the Commission had a wire mesh screen placed on the iron fence in front of a service window in this store through which it was customary to pass the articles kept for sale. The Commission is still firm in its belief that this former difficulty should not be brought to bear again, and therefore maintains that the screen is to remain in place. Asst. Secretary directed to reply accordingly. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Committee on Playgrounds for the Pacific Heights Parent-Teachers' Association thanking this board for the courteous hearing given the members of that Association on Wednesday, October 18th. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Board of Public Works which had been forwarded to them from the City Architect calling attention to the difficulty contractors have had in the performance of their work in improving the James Lick Schoolyard Playground, caused by the children. This matter was thoroughly investigated, and it was found that the destruction was brought after the playground was closed. Ordered filed.

Mrs. Stern reported that she had visited three of the schoolyard playgrounds and gave the following report concerning Grattan. The principal fault that without any reflection on the part of the present director, that there is a situation existing on the playground which if studied carefully might be remedied, and it is the difficulty caused by the [illegible] Mrs. Stern made the suggestion, to become effective Monday, that Miss Cashin who has made a very great success of her work in handling the [illegible] section of the North Beach Playground be sent to Grattan for a period of approximately two weeks to make a thorough study of the situation, at the same time the present director at Grattan continuing to work there, principally with the smaller children. In the meantime, Miss Wallace will substitute at North Beach, until Miss Cashin's return.

It was the concensus of opinion that the time is ripe for the printing of a Playground Report, and also that photographs of the playgrounds and activities be kept in album form. Therefore, on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Secretary and the Superintendent were authorized to proceed with the printing of a report by the Playground Commission which will contain illustrations; and also to have views taken of the playgrounds and activities which will appear in a permanent album to be retained in the Playground Commission office.

In discussing Glenn Park, the Superintendent informed the Commission that

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there is still a point of controversy in the purchase price, which is under discussion between the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, and the Crocker Estate Company. Mr. McLaren was authorized to look into the matter, to see if he could bring about a satisfactory agreement.

The Superintendent presented a report on the cost of the necessary apparatus to be installed in the M.S.Hayward Playground now under construction. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, Mr. Herz was authorized to acquire by purchase the necessary apparatus for this playground. The Superintendent was instructed to prepare a finished plan for the M.S.Hayward Field House, and to complete as much of it as possible with the money appropriated, this year.

The Superintendent presented two Schemes "A" and "B", regarding the layout of the contemplated Funston Playground, but definite action on the adoption of one of the plans will be taken when the Commission meets as a quorum. The Field House plan was also presented, and met favorably with the approval of the Commissioners present. It was decided that an approximate sum of $1500 be expended for the installation of apparatus, and the laying out of three baseball diamonds on the Funston Playground.

Miss Heyneman reported that on Friday, November 3rd at Richmond Playground, there is to be a Halloween celebration to which the Commission is invited, and that Southside held a similar celebration on Tuesday of this week.

Also that on Saturday, November 4th, at Jackson Playground there is to be an exhibition of the work of the Russian Art class, between the hours of 10 and 12 a.m. to whichthe Commission is invited. On ten of the S. F. Playgrounds there are to be programs during Music Week, and the Commisaion is cordially invited to attend these events.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, the Playground Commission requests the transfer of Funston Square by the Park Commission to this board, inasmuch as we are about ready to commence work on this land.

Bills amounting to $61[illegible], on Demand #10, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vida B. Young
Asst Secretary

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San Francisco, November 15, 1922.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:10 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.;
John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. P.C.Hale.

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two were received from the Park Commission, one transferring Funston Square from the jurisdiction of the Park Commission to the Playground Commission to become effective November 16, 1922, and the other transferring that part of Jefferson Square bounded by Turk, Golden Gate Avenue, Gough and Laguna Streets.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Committee on Military Affairs, Washington, D. C., acknowledging receipt of letter addressed to Congressman Kahn which expressed our appreciation for his aid in securing the lease for the Presidio Reservation Playground. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from W. J. Fitzgerald, SecretaryBoard of Public Works, acknowledging receipt of letter which requested them to draw up plans and specifications for the field house at Funston Playground, and stating that they referred the letter to the City Architect who will prepare the necessary plans and specifications. Ordered filed.

A letter was received from Miss Anna M. Goffrey, Secretary American Citizenship Committee and Educational Representative, U.S.Naturalization Service, calling attention to American Education Week, Dec. 3rd to 9th, inclusive. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Olin Storch, Indianapolis, Indiana, asking for information concerningnumber of boys and girls, respectively, participating in all branches of playground activities. Ordered filed, Secretary having forwarded the necessary information.

A communication was received from Ellen A. Lindstrom, Hitsville, Washington, asking for information concerning playground work. Ordered filed, Secretary having answered the letter.

A letter was received from the S.F.Community Service Recreation League which was a copy of the telegram sent by H.S.Braucher, Secretary of Community Service, commending San Francisco on its successful inauguration of Music Week for the second time. Ordered filed.

Communication was received from C. M. Wallenberg,Superintendent S.F. Relief Home, calling attention to the bond election for the Relief Home. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Alexander Cook, Stockton, asking for names of several S.F.Boy's Clubs. Ordered filed; Secretary directed to forward the necessary information.

Mr. Herz's report on the work in progress at the M.S.Hayward site was approved. He also reported that detailed drawings are being made for Funston Square.

The contract concerning the purchase of Glen Park is ready for signature as soon as the boundaries have been settled.

Regarding the playground in the Presidio Reservation, several letters was visited, but the government will be unable to render assistance financially or otherwise.

Field House plans for the playground in the Presidio Reservation have been drawn up and are ready for approval.

It will be necessary to mark the trees in the Presidio Reservation and the necessary description sent to Washington, D.C. It was the consensus of opinion that work could not commence until next year.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried, Mr. Moriarity,at present employed at Funston Square, is to be maintained on this department in his present position at the rate of $5.50 per day.

Mr. Dohrmann moved that $500 be set aside out of our appropriation to do the necessary repair work on the Glen Park site to make it safe for playground purposes. Mr. McLaren seconded the motion which was carried.

Mr. Herz was authorized when we are ready to proceed with improving Glen Park, to employ Mr. Cook who not only has applied for work at the Glen Park site, but who has a knowledge of carpentry which is essential for some of the improvements which are necessary on this ground.

Mr. Dohrmann moved that a Special meeting of the Commission be called which is to be devoted exclusively to Miss Hagar's report of her Eastern trip. The motion was seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $2406.27, on Demands 13, 14,

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and 15, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Philomena Hagan
Secretary

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San Francisco, December 6, 1922.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:07 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
John McLaren;
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mrs.Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Inasmuch as there was a controversy over the acceptance of the asphalt paving work at the M.S.Hayward Playground, located on Golden Gate Avenue, Laguna and Octavia Streets, the parties concerned i.e. the City Construction Company and the Inspector for the City, Mr. Healy of the Engineer's Office, appeared to present the situation in detail. After discussing the matter in full, on motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, Mr. McLaren was authorized to inspect the work and given full power to act.

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The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Mrs. Stern reported as follows on the Presidio Reservation Playground: General Morton will be able to help us to the extent of having trees removed, and doing some of the necessary plowing.

Some private individuals have expressed their willingness to contribute the money necessary to purchase some of the apparatus needed for this contemplated playground. Therefore Mr. Herz was asked to submit to Mrs. Stern, a list of the apparatus required for this ground.

Mr. Mills made a motion that two of our employees, i.e. Mr. Duffey and Mr. Phelan, both of whom have been doing most satisfactory work, receive an increase in salary of ten dollars monthly - Mr. Duffey therefore to receive $160.00 per month, and Mr. Phelan $150.00 per month. Mrs. Stern seconded the motion which was unanimously carried.

The Secretary called attention to the fact that the city is going to purchase a piece of land adjoining the Funston Square Playground, and asked that this fact be borne in mind.

A letter was received from Supervisor Hynes regarding the legality of the transfer of Aquatic Park from the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors to the Park Commission. The Secretary was directed to respond to same. Ordered filed.

Mr. Herz rendered a report of theprogress of the improvements on the various grounds which was approved as read.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Hale and carried, the following improvements in connection with the M.S.Hayward Playground were authorized to be done. Have plans and specifications drawn up for an iron fence, and also to have plans and specifications prepared for a field house to include a director's room, girls' and boys' lavatory facilities, a dressing room and showers.

Mr. Thos. Boyle addressed the Commission in the interest of several of the residents in the vicinity of the Funston Playground, and made a request that provision be made in the plans for an area to be set aside for the playing of Bocci Ball, and that the Commission be further asked to install the necessary equipment for the playing of this game. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Hale, and carried, the Superintendent was instructed to have incorporated in the plans, provision for this game.

Miss Heyneman reported on the success of the pageant given Saturday, Dec.2, 1922, at Excelsior Playground.

On motion of Mrs. Stern seconded by Mrs. Hale, and carried, Miss Hagarty, the Principal of the Monroe School who took such active interest in the successful presentation of the pageant is to be given a vote of thanks for her assistance.

The question of the heating of the Jackson Playground was postponed until next meeting at which time the matter will be presented in detail.

The Secretary reported that the possibility of holding a huge May Festival this year has been referred to the Play Committee, and awaits the report of this committee upon the suggestion.

The Secretary also reported that programs in recognition of American Education Week had been arranged on the playgrounds as follows:
Excelsior Playground, Dec. 4th, at 3:30p.m.; North Beach and Richmond Plygs. Dec. 5th at 3:30 p.m, Jackson, Dec. 5th at 3:45p.m.; James Rolph Jr. Dec.6th, at 3:45p.m.; Hamilton, Dec. 7th at 12:30p.m.; Spring Valley and Mission, Dec. 7th at 3:45p.m.; Southside, Dec. 8th at 3:45 p.m.; Presidio Heights, Dec. 9th at 2 p.m. and M.S.Hayward Dec.9th at 12m.

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A Publicity Committee consisting of Rev. D.O.Crowley, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, and Mrs. Hale was appointed to gain greater publicity for this department.

A request has come from Mrs. Godfrey of the U.S.Department of Labor, that the Playground Commission select two speakers to talk for radio broadcasting. Mr. Herz and Miss Hagan were selected to do this.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $1,405.21 were on motion of Mrs. Hale, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, approved as read.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. Clemence Hagan

Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 20, 1922.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25p.m. by the President, Rev. D.O.Crowley.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the reading of the minutes was waived.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. A.B.C.Dohrmann, Chairman of the Community Chest of San Francisco thanking the Secretary for her assistance in the forthcoming campaign. Ordered filed.

A copy of a communication sent by the Board of Public Works to the City Architect was received which authorized him to prepare plans and specifications for an iron fence at the M.S.Hayward Playground. Ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Boyle, the City Auditor, asking that Pay Rolls be submitted at an early date in order that the playground employees may receive their December warrants before Christmas. Ordered filed.

A letter was received from Miss Ruth Heyneman asking for a three weeks' leave of absence to follow her vacation this summer. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the leave is to begranted. Letter ordered filed.

A Communication was received from the City Architect enclosing a statement for architectural services in connection with the drawing up of preliminary sketches for the Field House at Funston Playground. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the Secretary was directed to make the necessary payment. Letter ordered filed.

The Secretary presented individually to the Commission, data co-relative to summer camps, particularly with reference to those operated by Los Angeles, Oakland, and Berkeley, and also had ready a large collection of pictures which had been loaned by the above mentioned Playground Departments.

Miss Hagan further reported that Mr. Barrett of the U.S.Forrest Service would be glad to show slides, pictures, etc. appertaining to the various camps conducted by the different municipalities of California to the members of the Commission if they so desire.

Miss Hagan also announced that arrangements have been made whereby the presentation of awards to winning playground teams willbe held in the Rotunda of the City Hall, Friday afternoon January 5, 1923 at 4 p.m.

Mr. Maholowitz of the Ocean View District called in to ascertain what the present status is of the Ocean View Playground. In discussing the matter, the Commission decided to direct a communication to the Board of Supervisors asking them to take steps toward procuring a playground in both the Ocean View District and the San Bruno District.

The Superintendent reported that the asphalt work at the M.S.Hayward Playground while not entirely satisfactory, is the best work that can be procured under existing conditions, and that payment be withheld until the plastering work being done by the City Construction Company is completed to the satisfaction of the Commission.

The Superintendent further reported that the owner of the Panama Theatre, located on Mission Street in the Excelsior District, will make the necessary alterations to the building which will enable us to conduct a second Community Center therein. It will also be necessary for us to pay a monthly rental of Fifty Dollars ($50.00), and make arrangement for a lease of the building for at least one year. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, a center is to be formed in the Excelsior District, and Mr. Herz was authorized to proceed with negotiations if the owners will make the necessary changes and alterations to the building.

Mrs. Stern reporting on the Presidio Reservation Playground enlisted the assistance of Mr. Dohrmann who with Mrs. Stern will visit Colonel Tobin to see what governmental aid may be received toward leveling off the area, doing some surfacing work, and having certain trees removed.

The apparatus which was purchased for Funston Square has been installed. At Glen Park preliminary repair work and cleaning up of grounds is under way.

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In January we will be ready to call for bids on the plan for the field house for Funston, and for both the fence and field house for the M.S.Hayward Playground.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $348.20 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomene Hagan

Exec. Secretary

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San Francisco, January 3, 1923.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O.Crowley,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Mrs. Prentice Cobb Hale.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

This being the first meeting of the New Year, the election of President was declared in order.

On motion of Mr. Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr., the name of Rev.D.O.Crowley was placed in nomination, and on motion regularly moved, seconded and carried, nominations were closed, Rev. D.O.Crowley unanimously elected President.

In accepting the election, Father Crowley expressed his appreciation of the courtesy of the fellow members of the Commission, and further stated that he entered upon his twelfth year as President of the Commission with great happiness.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Department of Labor, thanking the Playground Commission for the participation of the department in Americanization Week, and expressed great appreciation for the splendid work accomplished throughout the entire year.

A communication was received from William Hassler, Health Officer, advising this Commission to request that the Board of Works construct a sewer through Glen Park, to relieve a dangerous condition existing there at the present time.

A communication was also received from Mr. Hobro, Chief Plumbing Inspector, advising the department of an unsanitary condition existing at Glen Park.

The President reported having called on the Board of Public Works, and the Engineer's Office for estimates covering the cost of constructing such a sewer.

The Superintendent reported that these estimates had been received, i.e. $1650.00.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Secretary was directed to forward a communication to the Board of Supervisors, asking that a special appropriation of $1650.00 be made to cover cost of installing above mentioned sewer.

A comunication was received from the Italian-American Mutual Aid Assn., asking that the Commission sanction the dedication of Glen Park on January 21,1923. The Secretary was directed to reply stating that it would be necessary to have a sewer constructed in Glen Park before this Commission would formally open same as a Playground. Also to enclose the report received from the Board of Health, advising the necessity of this sewer. Secretary of the Association, Mr. Paris Cacciari, of 122 Lippard Street.

A communication was received from Mr. George Lull, re property of Chinese Six Companies, letter being in reply to an inquiry from this office, as to the legality of the property in question being freed from taxation. The opinion of the City Attorney is that this property may be free from taxation only in the event of a deed being given to the City and County of San Francisco.

The Secretary was directed to forward to John L. McNab, Attorney for the Chinese Six Companies, a copy of Mr. Lull's letter.

Mr. Dohrmann presented the following resolution:

RESOLVED:That following a conference held by the members of the Playground Commission in the office of the Mayor on December 27, 1922 at the hour of 11 a.m., at which His Honor James Rolph Jr. presided, that the Playground Commission follow out the intentions there expressed, i.e. to take over adult recreational activities, at such times, and in such parts of the city as this Commission may deem advisable, provided a sufficient amount of money is appropriated by the Board of Supervisors for this work, in the 1923-24 budget.

The resolution was on motion regularly moved, seconded and carried, adopted.

Mr. Herz reported as follows: Estimates for heating of Jackson Auditorium, Stulsaft $347.00 - Mr. Duffy estimated the work could be done for about $317.00

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. McLaren, Mr. Herz was authorized to proceed with this work.

Mrs. Stern reported having received a letter from Mrs. Rorty, Dance Hall Supervisor, and requested that Miss Heyneman be permitted to work with Mrs. Rorty making an investigation as to how dance halls are conducted, and to suggest a remedy. Permission granted.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $1473.72 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Philomene Hagan

Secretary

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San Francisco. January 17, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. P.C. Hale.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Fred Dohrman.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Knudson, Pres. Oceanside Community Council was granted the privilege of the floor, and asked that this Commission include in the 1923 budget requests, an item to provide a playground in the above mentioned district.

Mr. Knudson also presented a letter which was placed on file.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from Mrs. Margaret Gray asking the use of the Glen Park Pavilion for meeting purposes was ordered filed. The secretary instructed to notify Mrs. Gray that the department has not as yet prepared the program for Glen Park.

Grattan Schoolyard. The Secretary reported that Miss Krauss, Principal of the Grattan Schoolyard Playground requested that the yard remain closed to playground activities, because of size, proximity of windows to play area, etc. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Hale and carried, ground was ordered closed, and Secretary directed to notify Miss Krauss and Board of Education.

TheSecretary reported that Mr. Barrett of the United States Forest Reserve extends an invitation to the members of the Playground Commission to visit his office to learn of Summer Camps maintained in the State of California by Municipalities, Recreation Departments, etc. It was the sense of the meeting that the members of the Commission visit this office in the very near future.

Because of contemplated plans by the City and County of San Francisco for a hugh Exposition Park involving the expenditure of a large sum of money, said park to be directly adjacent to Funston Playground, it was the sense of the Playground Commission that the plans for the development of Funston as a playground should be temporarily delayed in order that both projects might be carefully studied before this department proceeds further.

Presidio Reservation Playground Mr. Herz was authorized to procure figures on the cost of placing a rock base, wooden fence, wire posts and net for a tennis court. When such information has been secured, Miss Heyneman will call on Mrs. Rosenberg who is to secure from private contribution $1300 to be expended on the proposed playground.

Mr. Herz reported that the moving picture theatre on the west side of Mission Street north of Onondago Street is being altered as per arrangements made with this office. Upon the satisfactory completion of the work, the building is to be opened as a Community Center.

The heating system at Jackson Playground, carrying a five year guarantee, has been installed.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Hale, the Superintendent was authorized to advertise for bids for the erection of a six foot cyclone fence at the M/S.Hayward Playground, estimated cost of $4,000.00 Motion carried.

Miss Heyneman reported that three Camp Fire Groups on the S.F.Playgrounds at Jackson, James Rolph and Mission were in operation. These groups recently visited the Immigrant Station at Angel Island, bringing scrap books for the children which the group had made.

The Dramatic Group at Jackson recently gave a play and plan another for Washington's birthday.

An Orchestra and Glee Club are being formed under the guidance of the evening director who has had a great deal of experience with this type of work. Jackson sewing club continues in popularity, - two teachers now being in attendance.

Excelsior sewing club will be established on Jan. 17th, meeting in the playground field house.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $5,550.73 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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MEETING

Notices having been sent out for a meeting on Wednesday, January 31st, failed to record a quorum. There were present, Rev.D.O.Crowley, and Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale.

The resignation of Mr. James I. Herz was informally discussed. The President appointed Mr. John J. Mooney to succeed Mr. Herz as Superintendent of Playgrounds, to be subject to the approval of the Playground Commission at the next regular meeting.

A quorum not being present, adjournment was in order.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Salomone Nagle

Secretary

Playground Commission

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San Francisco, February 7, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., President, Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. P. C. Hale;
Mrs. John McLaren;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;

Absent: Mr. Fred Dohrmann; (On Leave)
Mrs. Sigmund Stern. " "

M I N U T E S

The Minutes of the meeting of January 17th, and the action of the Minority Board on January 31st, i.e, the resignation of Mr. Herz and the appointment of Mr. John J. Mooney to succeed Mr. Herz as Superintendent of Playgrounds was on motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Hale, and carried, sustained.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from the Board of Supervisors enclosing resolution of Supervisor Shannon relative to the establishment of a playground for small children in the vicinity of North Point and Columbus Avenue, was ordered filed. Commission to investigate situation.

Communication from John Reid, Jr. Architect, stating work on Funston Field House plans had been temporarily delayed as per instructions from office of the Playground Commission,-ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. McGinnity, Sec. Council of Social and Health Agencies, announcing a meeting in the Fairmount Hotel,-ordered filed.

A letter of thanks from Scout Master of Troop 36, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from City Clerk of Riverside, containing information relative to Summer Camps ordered filed,- the Secretary having prepared copy for members of the Commission.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, the Director of the so-called James Lick Playground was withdrawn, and the Secretary directed to notify theBoard of Supervisors and Board of Education of the action of the Commission therein.

A group of citizens, Mr. Berman, Chairman, appeared before the Playground Commission to urge the establishment of a playground for small children at 21st and Folsom Streets.
It was the sense of the Commission that a visit should be made to the proposed site to determine the advisability of establishing a playground as proposed.

Mrs. Wormser and Miss Friedman appeared before the Commission to urge that Visitacion Valley Playground be again included in budget requests.

Mr. Mooney reported on the need of repairs for upkeep of playgrounds.

In discussing the playground within the government reservation at the Presidio, it was the sense of the Commission that Miss Heyneman should confer further with Mrs. Rosenberg relative to obtaining the financial aid promised by a group of interested people.

Miss Heyneman reported it was the desire of these people to have use of the tennis courts from 6 to 9 a.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. daily. This request was denied.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, a group of boys under the direction of Mr. Ray were granted permission to use the new Presidio play space for football.

Miss Heyneman reported the Dramatic Group at Jackson Community Center are preparing for an entertainment to be presented on Friday evening, Feb. 23rd, 1923. Funds so raised to be used for the purchase of a curtain.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $1730.42 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meetingadjourned at the hour of 4:45p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

E. [illegible] Herz

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San Francisco. February 21, 1923.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Prentiss Cobb Hale;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On leave)
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr. " "

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Mr. Boyle representing the Exposition Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club appeared before the Commission to determine the position of the department relative to the Funston Playground development, i.e, is the development to be delayed or continued. Mr. Boyle stated further that the Exposition Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club objected to a street being cut through Funston Playground.

Mr. Phillips of the Engineer's Office explained to the members of the Playground Commission the proposed plans for the development of Exposition Park. These plans are preliminary only, not as yet having been sanctioned by the proper authorities.

It was the concensus of opinion that the Playground Commission go on record as opposing the cutting of any street or streets through Funston Playground.

On motion of Mr. Mills seconded by Mrs. Hale, and carried, the Secretary was directed to notify the City Architect, Mr. John Reid Jr. to proceed with plans and specification for the Funston Playground which plans had been temporarily held in abeyance by order of this Commission. It was so ordered.

A group of interested citizens appeared before the Commission in the interest of the proposed playground site at 21st and Folsom Streets.

The President Rev. D.O.Crowley advised the group that members of the Commission had visited the site and favored the establishment of a playground for small children.

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Communications were received from the Mission Street Merchants Assn., San Francisco Labor Council, Education Parks and Playgrounds Committee, of the Board of Supervisors endorsing the establishment of a playground at 21st and Folsom Streets.

On motion of MrHenry B. Mills, seconded by Mrs. P. C. Hale, the request for the establishment of a playground for small children at 21st and Folsom Streets was endorsed, and the Secretary directed to notify the Board of Supervisors accordingly. The Secretary was further instructed to so notify the Mission Street Merchants' Assn., S.F.Labor Council, and Mr. Benson, Chairman of the Citizen's Committee.

The announcement of the P. S. A.L. Spring Baseball Series for 1923 was ordered filed. The Secretary reporting that all arrangements for handling the series had been completed. The games are to be run off on playground diamonds with the men directors officiating.

A communication of Alexander Bell, relative to the chlorination of swimming pools, ordered filed.

From Anna M. Godfrey, Sec. Education Representative of the Americanization Committee of the U.S.Department of Labor, asking that Miss Hagan as Secretary of the Playground Commission act on the permanent Americanization Committee of San Francisco. Was ordered filed, - Miss Hagan to serve as requested.

From H.W. Senter, Sec. Central Council, West of Twin Peaks asking information on existing and proposed playgrounds in the areas west of Twin Peaks. Ordered filed, - the Secretary having responded thereto.

Communication from Mrs. Jas. Sloss, Chairman Neighborhood and Rec. Agencies of the Council of Social and Health Agencies announcing a meeting on Feb. 15th, ordered filed, - the Secretary having attended said meeting.

Communication from Susie Roots Rhodes, Supervisor of Recreation, Playground Department, Washington, D.C., requesting the S.F. Playground Department to enter the National Marble Contest. Ordered filed.

Requests from Miss Gertrude Freese and Mrs. M. Fitzpatrick for an increase in compensation were taken under advisement.

A request from Miss Heyneman for a letter to Mr. Hetz, authorizing him to provide gas and oil for her machine used in playground work, was referred to Mr. Mills.

Miss Heyneman reported that Miss Alicia Musgrove recently appointed head of Camp Fire Activities in San Francisco, requested that Miss Heyneman be permitted to act on the Camp Fire Council. It was the sense of the Com

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mission that this being outside work, it was not advisable to grant the permission.

Miss Hagan advised the transfer of Miss Reed from Fairmount School-yard Playground to Presidio Heights. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Hale, the transfer was ordered, at the same existing salary; and the Secretary directed to notify Miss Reed that her request for an increase in salary would be given consideration after she had served successfully at Presidio Heights Playground.

Miss Hagan requested authorization for the conduct of the following Interplayground Activities, to include participation on the part of all playgrounds in the city:

Annual Tennis Tournament for both boys and girls;
Indoor Baseball Series for girls;
Baseball Pitching Contest for boys;
" , Saturday morning series for boys;
Marble contest for boys.

Motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. John McLaren, and carried, approved.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $ 1092.42 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Philbrook Hagan

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 7, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding. Inasmuch as there were but two members of the Commission present, they acted as a Minority Board, and the business transacted to be ratified at the next regular meeting.

Present: Rev.D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On leave)
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr.John Mc Laren

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with until the next regular meeting.

The Secretary presented a list of proposed playground sites to be inserted in the Budget which list was approved.

The Secretary further reported that whenever the Commissioners would be free to see the pictures appertaining to Summer Camps, she would be glad to arrange a meeting.

The Secretary also reported that plans for the May Festival are well under way. On motion of Mr. Mills, the invitation which Miss Hagan drew up to be sent to those especially invited to witness the affair, after consultation with Mrs. Hale, will be printed and prepared for mailing.

Miss Hagan further reported on the progress of athletic activities, - Baseball and Basketball, particularly the Basketball Tournament which has just been completed.

Inasmuch as the request for regulation baseball diamonds is greater than the supply, it was moved that those diamonds in Funston Playground be put in such shape as to make it permissible to hold bonafide games thereon. Members of the Commission will look over the grounds for most suitable locations, bearing in mind the plans for future development of the grounds, according to original plans.

The attention of the Commission was called to Child Welfare Week in the Civic Auditorium, especially to the demonstration of kindergarten games by a score of children from Excelsior Playground under the direction of Miss Stella Harris, Director.

It was decided that the Swimming Season should open about the 15th of April, and that sufficient time be devoted previous to that to the mending of suits.

It was reported that approximately a month from today, i.e. April 7th, Mr. Reid, City Architect, will have completed plans for the Funston Field House.

It was decided that the bids for the construction of an iron fence on the M.S.Hayward Playground be opened on Friday morning at 9:30 a.m.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters were received from applicants for playground positions, and the Secretary instructed to respond to same. Ordered filed.

The Secretary was directed to forward a communication to those interested parties in the University Mound District who were largely responsible for the establishment of a playground there, and notify them that through the efforts of Mayor Rolph, land had been purchased in that district including those blocks designated as the sheep corrals, for the establishment of a playground.

A motion was passed to make arrangements whereby Miss Heyneman would be given an allowance of oil and gasoline for her machine used in connection with her Community Center Work.

A motion was passed to increase the salary for the following directors, $10 per month, and raising the maximum to $160.00 as soon as this department is in a financial position to do so: Miss Harris, Miss Spencer, Miss Freese, Miss Ewing, Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Miss Fox, Miss Popper, Miss Cashin, Miss Mulligan, Miss Reed, Miss McGreevy and Miss Evans.

Miss Heyneman reported that due to the fact that the location for the Community Center in the Excelsior District had been sold, a new building has been found for these activities which is located in the Mission Terrace District. It was moved that all the necessary arrangements relative to the rental of this building be made.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $1,713.75 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

E. B. Philbrook Hagan

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 4, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry S. Mills;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.;
John McLaren.

ABSENT: Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On leave)

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the two previous meetings were approved as read.

A delegation of residents from theVisitacion Valley, headed by Charles Izenhood called in the office to request the establishment of a playground in that district. The Chairman instructed them to decide which was their first, second and third choice of sites, respectively, at which time the Grounds Committee of the Commission would be glad to look them over, and make their recommendation accordingly. The Chairman further stated that this Commission is in hearty accord with the establishment of a playground in this district.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Mayor's Office concerning a three hours' recess allowed City employees desirous of attending religious services on Good Friday. Ordered filed, the members of this department having been notified accordingly.

From Miss Sheba F. Harris, Secretary Child Welfare Committee, thanking this department for the aid this department rendered at their Child Welfare Week Demonstration.

From Miss Frances E. Ware, Dir. of Girls, Hamilton Playground, asking for an increase in salary. The matter was ordered referred to the Play Committee.

Communication from Harrison Hall, Adjutant 9th Corp Area advising this department that they do not approve of the utilization of the Presidio Reservation site as an athletic field for a boy's club, or do they consider the erection of a building on the grounds, advisable. Ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and unanimously carried, the boy's club is to be notified by Mr. Mills of the permission to proceed in improving the Presidio Reservation Playground site for play purposes.

Communication from Howard G. Hanvey, regarding publicity for this department. The Commission does not deem it wise or feasible to employ a publicity man for the present fiscal year, but if there is a sufficient amount in next year's budget to cover publicity, it will be reconsidered then.

Mrs. Judson of 2105 Buchannan Street with a committee representing the Congress of Mothers of San Francisco called in the office to ask the Commission's endorsement, co-operation and suggestions as to the method of proceedure in respect to fulfilling the need for equipping park squares with the needed playground apparatus and courts.

The Chairman suggested that they have a definite plan in view as to which parks they particularly are making requests for, and what appropriation they want. He also arranged a meeting between them and Mr. McLaren, Supt. of the Park Commission in order to discuss the matter in detail.

Communication from the Ingleside Improvement Club, Lee Ben Franklin Chairman of Playground Committee, requesting the establishment of a playground in that block of land lying immediately west of the Farragut School bounded by Holloway, Faxon, Jules and Grafton Avenues. Ordered filed, and request to be included in 1923-1924 budget.

Communication from the Ocean View Improvement Club asking the amount to be included in the 1923-1924 Budget for the additional purchase of land for the Ocean View Playground in order that they may send in their endorsement to theBoard of Supervisors and have their committee work for the necessary appropriation. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform them that $20,000 is included in the budget for the additional purchase of land.

Petition received from the boys living in the vicinity of 27th and Dolores Streets asking for the establishment of a playground in that vicinity. Ordered filed.

Communication from Mrs. Frank Mordecai, Secretary Exposition G. G. Valley Improvement Assn., asking permission to have the exclusive use of Funston Playground, Sunday, April 29th, for May Day Festivities. Ordered filed.

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Communication from Visugraphic Pictures Inc. offering us the showing of a picture on vaccination. Ordered filed.

Communication from Miss Stella Harris, Dir. of Girls, Excelsior Playground, thanking the Commission for her increase in salary, and assuring them she will put forth every effort to make a success of every duty that is assigned her.

Communication from David Barry, Asst. Clerk of the Board of Supervisors which was accompanied by ten letters from various Industrial firms calling attention to the fact that San Francisco needs indoor basketball facilities and gymnasium on one of the playgrounds because the present equipment is entirely inadequate to meet the ever-increasing demand of hundreds of teams that wish to make use of indoor courts and other equipmeht. Ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. Daugherty, Supervisor of Athletics, P.S.A.L, announcing the weighing in for their 15th Annual Championship Track and Field Meet to be held at Golden Gate Park, Saturday, April 28th at 2 P.M. Ordered filed.

Communication from the Girls' Park TennisClub calling attention to their Annual Championship Tennis Tournament to be held in the Park commencing, Saturday, April 21, 1923. Ordered filed.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission agreed to hold a Special Meeting on April 5th for the purpose of going over the Playground Commission Budget requests for the next fiscal year, 1923-1924.

Demands amounting to $2457.66 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Their being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Stevenson Haynes

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 5, 1923.

SPECIAL MEETING

At a Special Meeting of the Playground Commission, called to order this day at 10:30 a.m., the Playground Commission's Budget requests for the fiscal year 1923-1924, were approved as follows:

PERSONAL SERVICE

	No.	Rate	
Exec. Sec. and Dir. Rec.		$ 250	$3000
Superintendent		200	2400
Asst.Sec. and Asst.Dir.		175	2100
Dir. of Community Work		175	2100
Bookkeeper and Clerk		125	1500
Directors (Male	12		18360
Directors (Female	17		28500
Swimming Instructors	2		2475
Bath House Assts.	2		1800
Schoolyard Directors	3		3000
Sunday Directors (Male	18		2250
" (Female	17		2505
Carpenter			2505
Painter			
Laborers	23		36480
Laborers, emergency			455
Directors, "			3545
Operation Community Centers			15000
			$131125

RECAPITULATION

Personal	$131,125.00
Contractual	38,820.00
Materials, Supplies	25,290.00
Equipment, New, including Auto.	2,000.00
Rent	1,200.00
Taxes	575.00
Improvements	32,000.00
Land Purchases	110,000.00
	$341,010.00

IMPROVEMENTS

Funston Playground	$15,000
M.S.Hayward "	10,000
Glen Park "	2,000
James Lick "	5,000
	$32,000

LAND PURCHASES

University Mound	$30,000
Ocean View	50,000
Glen Park	10,000
Mission	50,000
Strip land adjacent Southside Plyg.	10,000
	$110,000

The Playground Commission unanimously endorses as a necessary part of the general recreation program of the City and County of San Francisco the establishment of playgrounds in the following localities:

1-Visitacion Valley
2-Folsom and 21st St.
3-Oceanside District
4-West of Twin Peaks
5-Vicinity of California St. and Presidio Ave.

B. Stevenson Haynes
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 18, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., by the President, Rev. D.O.Crowley.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On leave)
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and carried, the reading of the minutes was dispensed with until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills, and unanimously carried, authorizing this department to lend its assistance to Representatives of the Boy's Week Committee appointed by His Honor, James Rolph Jr., in order to help make Boy's Week a success.

Two committees representing the Visitacion Valley District, called in regarding the establishment of a playground in that locality. One group favored the small strip of land adjoining the Community Center building there, while the other, a much larger area near the school, bounded by San Bruno, Visitacion Valley, Talbot and Sunnydale Avenues, and stated the estimated price to be between $17,000 and $20,000. The Chairman emphasized the need for large areas of ground for the establishment of playgrounds, and therefore deemed it unwise to locate adjoining the Community Center. However the Commission will investigate all sites in question, and report accordingly.

A committee of two from the Oceanside District, called in asking the Commission to look over their proposed site located at 45th, 46th, K. and J. Streets. The Chairman assured them that the Commission would visit that site, in addition to several others, immediately after the meeting adjourned.

A committee from the Ocean View District inquiring about the appropriation for this year's purchase of land, were informed that an appropriation was included in this year's budget.

Bills and current expenses, amounting to $1596.05 on Demands 36 and 37 were approved and ordered paid.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and unanimously carried all other business was dispensed with, in order that the Commission could adjourn to look over prospective playground sites. Adjournment took place at 2:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Duncan Eagan

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 2, 1923.

M E E T I N G

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission
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but failed to record a quorum. The next regular meeting to be held on May 16th.

R. Tillmann Jr.
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 16, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M., Mr. Henry B. Mills acting as Chairman. Inasmuch as it was a Minority Board meeting, the action of the Commission is subject to ratification at the next regular meeting.

Present: Henry B. Mills;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Rev.D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On leave)
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr.JohnMcLaren.

Mr. McLaren is leaving for Scotland in the very near future, so had just sufficient time to call in and bid the Commission farewell.

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with until the next regular meeting.

A committee of two from the James Lick District, Mrs. Evans, Chairman, asked that in placing a permanent director at the James Lick Playground, it be preferably a woman, and asked that the ground during the vacation, be open from ten until five.

COMMUNICATIONS

Permission was granted the Stanford Clinic, according to the letter they submitted, to use the Sacramento Street Building after school hours and Saturday morning for corrective work in connection with their Orthopedic Department. Secretary instructed to notify them that the permission is granted.

A letter from the Standard Fence Construction Company regarding the fence newly constructed at the M.S.Hayward Playground was ordered filed.

A letter from the Board of Education concerning broken windows at the Fairmount School was ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond stating that the windows have since, been replaced.

A communication from Mr. Thos. O'Neill, Playground Director, asking for a leave of absence in order that he may attend the Summer Session at U.C., was granted. Secretary notified to let him know accordingly.

A letter was received from the Diamond Laundry Company submitting bid for laundry work, but is not to be considered, as prevailing prices are better.

A letter was received from Mr. Geo. Hjelte asking that Miss Hagan serve on the Committee of International Health, for their Educational Conference. The necessary permission was granted.

The Commission authorized on motion regularly moved and carried, Miss M.Philomene Hagan and Mr. Edward Rainey to attend the State Conference of Social and Health Agencies in the Yosemite Valley, as the respresentatives of the San Francisco Playground Commission. It was further moved by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, that a sum not to exceed $200.00 be voted to defray the expenses of the trip, and the expenditure of the money to be accounted for,by Miss Hagan.

The resignation of Miss Grace Spencer, to become effective June 15th, was on motion regularly moved and carried, accepted.

On motion regularly moved and carried, Miss Thorn who has been on a leave of absence, is to return to the department.

Permission was ~~also~~ granted Miss Hagan to hold a Circus in the fall of the year, about September 15th.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $1952 were approved and ordered paid, with the exception that the bill for the West Coast Wire and Iron Works will be paid immediately after the receival of a satisfactory report from the Engineer's Office.

Miss Heyneman reported that several dramatic plays are under way in the new community center, and also about the satisfactory progress of the work in this City Community Center.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[signature]
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 6, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 10:35 a.m., President Rev.D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Prentice C.Hale;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren(on leave)
Mrs. Sigmund Stern

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as read,for on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, the actions mentioned in the minutes of April 4, 18th, and May 16th, were endorsed.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Mr. Reid, City Architect, relative to Plans and Specifications submitted for the erection of a Field House at Funston Playground. Ordered filed.

From the Board of Education relative to replacing windows at Fairmount. Ordered filed.

From Mrs. Louise Buckley, 57 Flora Street, calling attention to the condition of a portion of the fence at the Bay View Playground. Ordered filed.

A letter was received from D. J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, thanking this department for the letter of appreciation sent for the excellent services rendered by their department on the day of our May Festival. Ordered filed.

A similar letter was received from Wm. J. Quinn, Capt. and Chief Clerk S.F.P.D. Ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Boyle, Auditor, concerning the resignation of one of the playground employees. Secretary instructed to furnish Mr. Boyle with the necessary information. Ordered filed.

A letter was received from Wiley Winsor asking that the Playground Commission submit to their Secretary in Peking, China any printed data that this department has. The Secretary instructed to forward the information. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Margaret A. Wales, Dir. Social Service, Stanford Clinics, thanking this department for the use of the Sacramento Street Building in which to conduct their corrective work.

A letter was received from the Hind Co., agents for Mrs. Swift, notifying this department of the increase in the rental of Mission Playground to $300 per month.

The Secretary was instructed to inquire as to whether or not the sum of $10,000 has been included in the budget as an initial payment on the property in question.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, the Secretary was asked to direct communications to the City Auditor asking that the balance of funds in the Bay View, University Mound, Ocean View, Funston and M. S.Hayward accounts be transferred and credited, respectively, to this department.

A letter was received from the laborers of the department asking that they receive an increase in salary. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Hale and carried, the secretary was asked to send out a communication instructing them to appoint a representative who will be asked to come to the next meeting of the Commission and state their case.

A communication was received from C. E.Healy, Assistant City Engineer giving his approval on the fence constructed on a portion of the M.S.Hayward Playground by the West Coast Wire and Iron Works.

Communication from Dondri Bros., asking that the Commission consider so arranging North Beach Playground as to permit baseball to be played thereon. On motion regularly moved and carried, this permission was denied.

Communication from Mr. McLaughlin, Sec. Polk, Van-Ness, Larkin District Association calling attention to the land adjacent to Spring Valley Playground which can be procured for approximately $35,000, and will make possible the enlarging of this playground. Ordered filed.

In discussing the bids for the proposed new field house at Funston Playground, it was the sense of the meeting that $30,000 was the limit of money to be expended and the President was empowered to make the necessary decision.

Mr. Mills, Chairman of the Play Committee reported about the summer schedule of activities which includes hikes and picnics, the visits to the Fleet, also the Forts, and the escorting of the girls to the bath houses for swimming. Heyshea that the Secretary be empowered to make the necessary inquiries in order to procure the sum of $100 for our annual 4th of July event.

Miss Hagan was given permission to expend an amount not to exceed $50.00 for costuming the children who are to participate in the Dance of Nations

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to be held on July 4th, as part of the patriotic exercises in the Civic Auditorium in conjunction with the N. E. A. program.

The Secretary presented her expense account for the Yosemite Convention which amounted to $72.50. On motion regularly moved and carried the reports, as submitted, were approved.

The Commission on motion regularly moved and carried wishes to extend a sincere vote of thanks to the department employees for the services they rendered in connection with the May Festival.

The new section of the M.S Hayward Playground is to be reserved for the girls, and Mr. Mooney was instructed to transfer some of the apparatus from the present section to the new location, holding one large slide in reserve to be used later at Funston.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Hale and carried, Miss Hagan was authorized to place two directors on the Glen Park Playground immediately.

On motion of Mr. Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, the purchase of two automobiles for department use was authorized. One is to replace the present one which is used by the Superintendent and the other to be used by Miss Hagan, Dir. of Recreation.

Mr. Mooney was authorized to have drawn up, plans for a small field house on the M.S.Hayward Playground.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $3,441.06 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Palmieri Hagan

Secretary

San Francisco, June 27, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m.

Present: Rev. D.O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;

Absent: Mr. Mc Laren;
Mrs. Prentice C. Hale;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from His Honor James Rolph Jr. conveying compliments to the members of the Commission - and expressing in writing, the appreciation which he had previously expressed verbally to the members of the Commission, and the Department staff for the compliment paid His Honor in the presentation of the May Festival - was ordered filed.

From Mr. John W. Rogers, Clerk of the Educational Parks and Playgrounds Committee enclosing a letter form the Ingleside Improvement Club relative to a petition for the establishment of a playground directly west fo the Farragut School.

Also enclosing a letter form Edna L. Calhan, asking information as to how to proceed in securing the Playground above referred to. Both communications filed.

In discussing the bids which had been received for Funston Field house Construction - it was the sense of the meeting, that Mr. Reid should be consulted with the idea of reducing, if possible, the cost of construction - and at the same time retain the original plans as far as ground floor plan was concerned. The President therefore requested Mr. H.B. Mills and Miss M.P. Hagan to arrange such a meeting with Mr. Reid.

In discussing some needed repairs in the department such as lavatories at Glen Park, Presidio, wire fences and backstops at Southside, Hamilton, Jackson, etc. the Superintendent Mr. J.J. Mooney, was authorized to proceed with the work at once. Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $2320.21 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Palmieri Hagan

Secretary.

Playground Commission

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 3, 1923.

Notices for a meeting on July 3rd, failed to record a quorum.

R. Solomon Hagan

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 25, 1923.

Notices for a meeting on July 25th, 1923. - failed to record a quorum.

Present: Rev. D.O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;

In reporting conference week, Mr. Reid, Miss Hagan stated, that by ommitting the complete finish of some portions of the building, reducing plumbing fixtures, omitting the heating fixtures in the main auditorium and changing some details of outside finish - the cost of construction could be materially reduced - and at the same time the ground plan retained - and the work done in such a manner as to permit of completion of all detail; as originally planned at a further, without the necessity of tearing out any work already completed and at the same time with the minimum of cost.

Mr. Reid further stated he would rush the plans as fast as possible.

In discussing the case of Michael Winn which this Commission is prosecuting - it was the concensus of opinion - that an attorney should be procured if necessary-

A letter was addressed to the District Attorney - making evident the fact that this department fe ls the procecution has not been conducted with enough zeal, and appealing to the Districy Attorney for protection of children.

Mrs. Stern presented a letter which she had received from Mrs. W.B. Hamilton the Secretary was requested to reply thereto - stating that Miss Ware was officially representing the playground Commission on this case and that we were doing everything possible to secure justice - the Secretary was further directed to thank Mrs. Hamilton for her courtesy and interest.

There being no further business - the conference adjourned.

F. Virginia Hagan
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 1, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. H. B. Mills.

Absent: Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr.John McLaren, On leave

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the Conference Meeting of July 25th,1923 were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from the District Attorney's Office (Harmon D. Skillen) acknowledging receipt of letter from this office under date of July 23rd, ordered filed.

Communication from Jerome D. Pendleton, relative to the National Playground and Recreation Association of America Conference. Ordered filed.

The Secretary was granted permission to act as Chairman of the local Congress Committee.

From Mrs. Norris, stating that because of Mr. Dohrmann's being away from the city he would not be present at the Commission meeting. Ordered filed.

Citizens' Bureau of Milwaukee thanking the Department for information sent in reply to their questionaire.

From Mr. S. E. Sherwood, asking the Playground Commission to open the Jefferson Schoolyard as a playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to call on the school principal, to determine her views relative to maintaining a playground there.

From Mr. Edgar Pomeroy requesting permission for football practice on Southside Playground from 5:30 to 7:[illegible] p.m., from August 16th to Sept.30th, 1923. Ordered filed.

Industrial Athletic Association requesting permission to use our basketball courts for practice games previous to the Basketball Season. The Secretary directed to arrange for such games wherever possible.

The request to have Richmond Playground open daily at 1:[illegible] p.m. was approved,and the Secretary directed to make the necessary arrangements whereby such a program of hours could be taken care of.

In discussing Glen Park, the Secretary was directed to have the Superintendent take the necessary steps to have the electric wires now crossing Glen Park Playground removed,-the service wire to the Auditorium, to be retained; to see that necessary steps to prevent backing up of sewer gas are taken; to have water service to ground investigated with the idea of having additional pipes connected if necessary; to find cost of installing traveling rings, basketball court, volleyball court, sand box, swings, baseball backstop, etc.

The members of the Commission are to visit Glen Park to discuss a general plan for the placing of apparatus, upon receipt of a report and the committee's recommendation.

It was the sense of the meeting that the [illegible] appropriated for equipment at Glen Park should be expended at once, and in the wisest way possible, to make the playground of greater service to the children.

Mr. Campe appeared before the Commission in the interest of the baseball players of the North Beach District, requesting that the asphalt be removed to permit of baseball games on the North Beach Playground. The Commission is of the opinion that the diamond at Funston should take care of baseball players in the North Beach District,- the playground to be reserved for small children.

Mrs. Stern reported that Mr. John Altman Jr. Atty.at Law, appears a Commission in the Mike Wynn case; the Secretary was directed to answer communication to Mr. Altman thanking him, and to have Miss Ware call to advise Mr. Altman on the case.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $4771.10 as follows, were approved and order paid:

Pay Roll	#2	$3574.60	
Demand	"	1228.50	
"	#3	968.00	$4771.10

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[illegible] Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 15, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:00 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.,
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr.John McLaren(on leave)

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

The Proclamation issued by His Honor James Rolph Jr., as a solemn tribute of respect to the late President Warren G. Harding, wasordered filed. The Secretary reported that in conformity thereto, the Playground Office was closed and all activities on the playgrounds suspended for the day.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Secretary of the San Bruno Avenue Merchants' Association requesting the Playground Commission to expedite the establishment of a playground in that district.

Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to address a communication to the Association stating this Commission had requested the City Attorney to proceed with coniemnation proceedings which were now under way, and also suggesting that the San Bruno Merchants' Association lend their efforts to secure the early establishment of the San Bruno Playground by addressing the Board of Supervisors and the City Attorney in the interests of this recreation center.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Mills, and carried, the Secretary was directed to address a communication to Miss Morgan asking the assistance of her committee in expediting the purchase of all lands for playgrounds for the purchase of which, money had been appropriated by the Supervisors.

A communication from Mrs. M.E. Gray, Secretary of the Glen Park Community Club, thanking the Commission for its work in establishing a playground in Glen Park and commenting on the peaceful vacation which had resulted by the children of the neighborhood having been provided with adequate recreation during the summer vacation. Ordered filed.

In discussing the request of Mr. Sherwood for the establishment of a playground on the Jefferson School, Miss Hagan reported have interviewed the Principal of the school, Mrs. Marjorie Stuart regarding her views on the establishment of a playground in the school yard. Mrs. Stuart said she would gladly cooperate, if, in the opinion of the Board of Educatinn and the Playground Commission the establishment of such a center seemed advisable, and asked to be assured of the proper protection of the school property.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Secretary was directed to address a communication to the Board of Education requesting permission to establish a playground on the Jefferson Schoolyard, and to further state that such a playground would be tried for a period of sixty or ninety days, provided the Board of Education agrees to such plan.

In discussing plans for Funston, it was the sense of the Commission that the following action should be taken on the suggestions made by Mr. Reid:

1. Include half-timber work, in preference to shingles. $150.00
2. Omitting brick steps and putting cement steps in their place .. 85.00
3. Changing maple floor to O.P.floor..... 40.00
4. Leaving closet near boys' entrance unfinished..... 750.00
5. Omitting all marble as noted..... 400.00
6. Omitting all tile wainscot and putting Keene's cement in place of tile wainscot..... 225.00
7. Omitting painting in kitchen, game room, club room, and other places such as exterior half-timber..... 300.00
8. Include fire place in club room with chimney for same
9. a. Change all lumber except exposed lumber and trusses to #1 common..... 150.00
   b. Make shingled roof without graduations in exposure of shingles.....2600.00
   c. Leave out furnace and run hot air ducts only in vertical partitions, and plumbing omissions noted..... 400.00
   d. Omit cement walks.....
   e. Fixtures to be omitted only in unfinished rooms, and included in finished portions of building 100.00
   f. Omit lining of boiler room, etc.....

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the Secretary was directed to address a communication to Mr. Reid asking him to prepare the specifications accordingly.

Mr.Mooney reporting on Glen Park.

Electric Wiring: Mr. Larrabee of the Pac. Gas and Elec. Co. stated permission from the Crocker Estate was necessary before wires could be removed.

Water: Enough pressure cannot be secured from well to carry water to ground. Spring Valley connections are necessary. The Superintendent was authorized to arrange for the necessary connections in order to supply grounds with water.

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Sewer Gas: Mr. Mikado, Engineer's Office, was taking care of sewer situation.

General: Trees were being removed to make space for Basketball, Volleyball and Tennis Courts. Swings have already been placed. The construction of a sand box has been ordered, and also a baseball backstop. Regarding trees, it was the sense of the meeting that the trees cut down are to be sold to the Salvation Army.

Figures for repair work were received from the Standard Fence Co., and theWest Coast Wire and Iron Works, as follows:

Standard Fence Co.....$1677.93
West Coast Wire and Iron Works.....$2601.25

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the work, and the Secretary directed to notify the Standard Fence accordingly.

Miss Ware reported on the Michael Winn case. It was the concensus of opinion that the Commission should continue with the diligent prosecution of the case, and have the law take its course.

Mr. Rhine appeared before the Commission asking that the Playground Commission do one of two things, either pay the advanced rental on the Mission Playground, or purchase the ground outright. He further requested that a letter be addressed to the Board of Supervisors, asking that this purchase be made immediately. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the Secretary was directed to address a letter to the Board of Supervisors, and to send a carbon copy of the letter to Miss Morgan and Mr. Rossi.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $2764.04, were approved and ordered paid.

On motion of Mr. Mills, the Commission adjourned for Private Conference and also to await a call from the District Attorney on the Michael Winn case.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Morgan,
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 5, 1923.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 p.m. by the Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: John McLaren;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. P.C.Hale.

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting.

A delegation of women called regarding the James Lick Schoolyard Playground. They requested that additional improvements be made. The Commission advocated our cooperation with the School Department to see what steps can be taken in their new school plan to remedy the existing conditions.

Mrs. C.A.Vinter of 1731 Clement Street was next given the privilege of speaking before the Commission. She spoke of the accident her son met with while playing on Richmond Playground, and requested that this department pay for the expense entailed. The Commission directed the Secretary to forward a communication to the City Attorney asking for his opinion in respect to the responsibility of the Playground Commission in this matter.

A representative of the Glen Park District asked that the women be granted the privilege of playing Volley Ball in the playground. Permission granted, Miss Hagan stating she would instruct Miss Proctor to arrange a time for the game.

The bids for the construction of the Field House on Funston Playground were received and opened, but the Commission on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried,decided to take final action on Wednesday, September 12th. The bids are as follows:---

General Construction		Heating and Plumbing		Elec. Wiring	
Mahoney Bros...	$34,743.00	Lettich.....	$5,522.00	Flatland...	$1,632.00
Carlson.....	33,220.00	J.E.O'Mara..	4,100.00	Butte Elec..	1,820.00
Anderson &Ringrose	29,941.00	Scott & Co..	4,127.00		
A. Voght	38,900.00	Pinkerton...	4,143.00		
Wold.....	33,815.00				
Botman &Hendrick-son...	32,000.00				

On motion regularly moved and carried, the high bidders are to receive their Certified Checks immediately.

Miss Ware rendered a report of the Michael Winn case, stating that on Tuesday morningthe case is to come up in Judge Louderback's Court Room. The Commission wishes Miss Ware to be in attendance. MissWare also presented a copy of Mr. Altman's report.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, the Secretary was directed to address a letter of thanks to Mr. Altman, Attorney-at-Law for the service he rendered this department in his investigation of the Michael Winn case.

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Communication from Miss Freese explaining the accident which took place on the Richmond Playground.

A communication was received from Dr. Jessica B. Peixotto, University of California, asking that a class from the department of Economics be granted permission to visit several of the playgrounds. Secretary instructed to reply informing Dr. Peixotto we will be very glad to receive the groups and furnish them with any information they may be seeking. Ordered filed.

Communication from the Stanford Clinics thanking the Commission for having granted them permission to use the Sacramento Street Building for postural class work. Ordered filed.

Communication from the Standard Fence Co. acknowledging receipt of authorization to proceed with repair work on Southside, Jackson, North Beach and Hamilton Playgrounds. Ordered filed.

Communication from Miss Margaret I. Foley, tendering her resignation from the Playground Commission, to take effect from September 1. The Secretary instructed to inform her of the acceptance of same, and to express the appreciation of the Commission for the services she rendered during her employment with the Playground Department. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Bank of California concerning a winter baseball schedule. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to communicate with the necessary people to satisfactorily arrange such schedule.

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A communication was received from Mr. Leavy, Purchaser of Supplies, concerning an offer of a certain type of bench, price $5.00 each. The Superintendent was authorized to investigate and take up the matter with Mr. McLaren and to be guided by Mr. McLaren's judgment in the acceptance or rejection of the offer.

A communication was received from a resident of the Noe Valley District regarding play area for children. Secretary instructed to advise that such play area is provided at the James Lick Schoolyard Playground.

Communication from the Board of Education granting permission to the Playground Department to operate a playground on the Jefferson Schoolyard for the period of from 60 to 90 days, and for a longer period if satisfactory. Miss Daisy Shone has been appointed to take charge of this schoolyard playground.

Communication from Miss Margaret Mary Morgan, Ch. Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee, notifying the Commission of a meeting called in the interest of the Mission property.

Communication from C.B.Loftos, Bay View School regarding request for remuneration for extra services rendered in duties entailed through the operation of a playground on theBay View Schoolyard. The Secretary was instructed to see Mr. Harris of the Board of Education concerning his compensation.

A communication was received concerning the route of the proposed Municipal Railway into Ocean View; and the matter of the relationship it bears to the proposed playground site the Secretary was instructed to take up with Mr. Healy. Also to take up the question,concerning the change, with Mr. Esberg of the Board of Education, provided Mr. Healy of the Engineer's Office deemed it advisable to do so.

Mr. Mooney reported that the Standard Fence is at work on the various needed improvements for several of the grounds, which work was recently authorized by the Commission.

At Glen Park the removal of the trees continues. The Salvation Army was notified of the available fire wood, but as yet have not taken the wood. The Pacific Gas and Electric Company have promised to repair all broken wires and to so arrange poles to carry these wires, as to avoid any future nuisance to the department.

Miss Heyneman presented a report of the Community Center Work, and another report upon which, action has been postponed until there is a quorum of the Commission.

Demands amounting to $3216.92 were on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, approved as read.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Philomene Haynes

Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 29, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:00 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Henry B.Mills;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were,on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

From R. McDonald, Superintendent of Buildings and Repairs, Department of Education, calling attention to the depredation of property on the premises of the James Lick School which occurred after the playground director and janitress had left the ground.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried, the Secretary was instructed to send a copy of the letter to Captain Quinn, and ask that we receive proper police protection.

An application for a playground position was received from J. Elmer Barricklo, and was ordered to be placed on file.

Communication from the"See and Know San Francisco First Club" written in appreciation of the courtesy shown them recently when on a visit to the playgrounds, - ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. Reid, referring to the Funston Field House, in which he recommends Mr. T.B.Campbell, of 136 Ord Street, to act as inspector for the construction of the field house. Secretary instructed to ascertain from the Board of Public Works just how they go about securing a person to serve in a similar capacity.

Communication was received from the Juvenile Protective Association, signed by Mary Ashton and Elizabeth D. Wenzel, calling attention to the conditions at Southside Playground, and setting forth certain existing conditions that need rectifying.
The concensus of opinion is that the Commission look into the matter immediately with the definite idea of remedying present conditions.

Communication from the Mayor's Office announcing that the S.F.Community Service Recreation League is holding its Annual Music Week program from October 28th to November 3rd, and requesting the cooperation of the Playground Commission. Ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. John Mooney, Acting Chief of Police, notifying this department that he is giving the necessary attention to our request with respect to Jackson Playground during the evenings.

The question of restrictions and the type of activities to be conducted in the Glen Park Playground, were discussed. The concensus of opinion is that the activities for Glen Park be programmed by this department, and as to the restrictions regarding the use of the premises, the following motion was made by Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried: That the Playground Commission grant no permits for picnics of any nature, and that the use of the building be restricted to properly guaranteed organizations, with the proviso that there are to be no political, or religious activities carried on therein, and that there shall be no entertainments at which money stakes are involved.

In discussing the location for the Funston Field House, the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee with power to act.

Mr. Mooney, the Superintendent, reported that the Standard Fence has completed the rewiring which the Commission had authorized to be done on several of the grounds; that fifty benches at $5 each had been purchased for use in the department; that the sewer work in Glen Park is being completed; and that since the Salvation army took no steps to remove the trees from Glen Park, the Relief Home has been notified they may have same.

Miss Heyneman reported that Rowing commences Saturday, September 29th, for boys and girls, at Yacht Harbor.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $3849.33 on Demands 9 and 10, were on motion regularly moved and carried, ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:55p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

B. Philomene Haynes

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 10, 1923.

MEETING

Notices having been sent out, failed to record a quorum. Two Commissioners were present, meeting as a Minority Board, and the actions taken are to be approved at the next meeting of the Commission. The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr. Henry S. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

Funston Field House Discussion

Several delegations were present at the meeting to protest the newly proposed location for the Funston Field House, in preference to the first choice, i.e. at Chestnut and Buchanan Streets.

The representatives of these groups were granted the privilege of the floor - the first speaker being Mr. Thos. F. Boyle, the second Mr. Hernan, and the third, Mr. Mordecai. The organizations represented were the Union Street Merchants, the Presidio Parlor of the Native Sons and theExposition Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association. The concensus of opinion is that inasmuch as there is a serious moral problem to weigh, police protection to be taken into consideration and the expense of additional sewer and water connections, if the newly proposed location is decided upon, the Commission should therefore not erect the building upon any other location than that originally decided upon, i.e. at Chestnut andBuchanan. Two other points favorable to the Buchanan and Chestnut Street location is the nearness to the car line, and the avoidance of the unsightly dumping ground which lies at the rear of the other proposed location.

Mrs. Stern explained the reasons for the proposed change, stating that from the standpoint of winds, exposure and the consideration of building for the future, it was more desirable to locate the building on the Bay Street side. This confirms the opinion of Mr. John McLaren, Chairman of the Grounds Committee.

Inasmuch as there was not a quorum present at the Commission meeting, it was decided to call a Special Meeting of the Commission on Wednesday, October 17th at 2 p.m. to decide definitely where the building is to be located.

COMMUNICATION

From Mr. Reid, City Architect, calling attention to the fact that the newly proposed location for the Funston Field House would entail over two thousand dollars additional expense with respect to the necessary sewer connections for the building. Ordered taken under advisement.

Mr. Mooney presented a plan for the changing of Southside Playground to permit of eventually making a separate girls' section. As a unit of this plan, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to have constructed the necessary volleyball, basketball and tennis courts for girls.

At Glen Park the ground has been cleared, ready for the installation of the necessary courts. The Superintendent was therefore asked to secure an estimate of the cost of putting in such courts.

Miss Hagan reported that the Annual Boys' Swimming Meet is to be held Saturday, October 6, 1923 at the North Beach Bath House.

She also reported that the Jefferson Schoolyard Playground is proving a successful experiment.

Miss Heynemen reported that it is necessary to have janitor service in the City Center, and arrangements can undoubtedly be made whereby this Commission will pay one-half the expense, the Mission Terrace Association bearing the other half. She also reported that a Sewing Exhibit will be held at Jackson Playground on Thursday afternoon, October 11th.

The matter of furnishing fuel for the Southside Open Fire place was discussed, and the Superintendent instructed to deliver any available wood to Southside for this purpose.

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Bills and current expenses amounting to $2,660.84 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

C.K. Coleman Secy

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 17, 1928.

SPECIAL MEETING

The Special Meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m. by the President Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present: D.O.Crowley;
Henry S. Mills;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. P.C.Hale;
Mr.John McLaren.

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with until the next regular meeting.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills, and unanimously carried, the following was passed:

In view of the fact that it will cost approximately $2500 additional to erect the Funston Field House on the north side of the playground, and in consideration of the requests of the residents in the district, the building is to be erected at the intersection of Buchanan and Chestnut Streets,-the original choice for the location, and that the ardhitect and contractors be notified to commence work forthwith.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and carried, the lease between the Playground Commission and the Mission Terrace Association is to be renewed for the period of six months under the same terms, and the Secretary authorized to write a letter signifying our willingness to renew the lease.

Mr. Mooney presented the estimate from the Fay Improvement Company for the construction of courts on both the Southside and Glen Park Playgrounds.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, the Superintendent was instructed to secure at least three bids for this work and present them at the next meeting.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $157.89 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Coleman Secy

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 7, 1923.

M E E T I N G

Notices having been sent out for a regular meeting of the Commission, failed to record a quorum, those present acted therefore as a Minority Board,--the meeting being called to order at 2:15 p.m.

Present: Henry B. Mills
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.
Rev. D.O.Crowley,
Mrs. P.C.Hale,
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as read.

A communication was received from Mr. Dozier, Attorney for the Swift Estate, asking the Playground Commission to pay the rental due on the Mission property of $300.00 per month from the beginning of the present fiscal year. The concensus of opinion was that the Playground Commission should again take up the matter with the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors. Mr. Mills said he will take up the matter with the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Upon careful examination of the Funston Field House plans, it was decided to make some slight alterations with respect to the location of the club rooms and directors' rooms. Mr. Reid, the City Architect, is to be notified accordingly.

Mr. Mooney secured bids for the construction of a tennis court on Southside Playground -- Eaton, Raisch and Fay Improvement Company, having submitted estimates. Fay Improvement Company was the lowest bidder, their bid being 15¢ per square foot. Mr. Mooney was authorized to proceed with this work.

The purchase of a piano from Wm. Statham for $150.00, and 24 dozen chairs from C.F.Weber Co. at $34 per dozen, was also approved.

The Superintendent was asked to inquire the cost of equipping the Presidio Reservation Playground site with an apparatus section to include a sand box, swings, slide and rings, also two complete courts, one for basketball and one for tennis.

The Secretary was authorized to have a Playground Report printed.

The Secretary reported about the various activities which have been conducted recently on the playgrounds, i.e. the Halloween celebrations, the Basketball Tournament in which 360 boys are entered, and the coming Circus.

Miss Heyneman reported on the success of the recent plays held at Jackson Playground, and the Sewing Exhibit also held there.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $3,770.25 on Demands 14,15,and 16 were Approved and ordered paid.

Respectfully submitted,

W. Bronson Greene

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 21, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:10 p.m. Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Fred Wohrmann, Jr.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. Prentice Cobb Hale;
Mr. Henry S. Mills.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A petition was received from several representative individuals and organizations of the North Beach District to alter the grounds at North Beach Playground, to make it permissible to play baseball and football. The petition and accompanying letter are to be referred to all the members of the Commission, after which time definite action will be taken.

From Mr. Reid, the City Architect, notifying us that the alteration of the building of the Funston Field House will necessitate drawing up additional plans, and mean a small increase in the cost of construction.Ord.filed.

Communication from the Chief of Police regarding the James Lick Schoolyard Playground, suggesting that a director be employed not only after school hours but on Sundays and holidays as well, and also that the fence be altered so as to make it possible to view the entire premises from the street. The Superintendent was instructed to get in touch with Mr. McDonald of the Board of Education regarding the latter suggestion. The Secretary will take the other suggestion up with the Chairman of the Play Committee. Letter ordered filed.

The Public School Athletic League basketball schedule for 1923 was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. B.E.Swenson, Dir. of Recreation, Stockton, extending an invitation to the Secretary to be present at a Recreation Conference in Stockton, Nov. 30th and Dec. 1st. The Secretary has also been asked to deliver a paper at one of the meetings.
The Commission,on motion regularly moved and carried,sanctioned the Secretary's visit to said conference, and is to reimburse Miss Hagan for expenses incurred on this trip. Communication ordered filed.

Letter received from Miss Audrey Husbrook of Stillwater, Oklahoma, for playground information. Secretary instructed to reply. Ordered filed.

Communication from Mrs. L. L. Buckley, 57 Flora Street, complaining of damage to her property, caused by those boys using the Bay View Schoolyard Playground. The Commission is to investigate the matter. Ordered filed.

Communication from Board of Supervisors, containing Resolution #21739, New Series, which vests the control and management of the S.F. Recreation Camp at Mather in the Hetch Hetchy Valley, in the hands of the S.F.Playground Commission. Ordered filed.

The S.F.Center forwarded a letter of thanks to the Secretary thanking her for the address on Playgrounds which she gave recently. Ordered filed.

The several letters concerning that portion of the Mission Playground property which is owned by the Swift Estate were read,and after discussing the matter, the following Resolution, on motion of Mr. Wohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern, was unanimously passed, and ordered sent to the Board of Supervisors:

RESOLVED that in view of the fact that for a considerable length of time past, this Commission has been desirous of acquiring, by purchase, that part of the Mission Property for which it has been paying a rental to Mrs. Mary Swift in the amount of OneHundred Dollars ($100.00) a month up to July 1st, and in consideration of the fact that the owners of the property notified this Commission prior to July 1, 1923 that the rental for said ground will be at a rate of Three Hundred Dollars ($300.00) per month commencing July 1, 1923, and in consideration of the fact that an appropriation is now available to the extent of $10,000 Budget Item No.78a 1 99 for the purchase of a certain agreed upon section of the said property,

THEREFORE BE IT NOW RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco be urged to immediately proceed with the acquirement of said property by condemnation proceedings, if necessary; and that, in view of the increase in rental demanded by the owners as expressed above, the Supervisors be requested to appropriate a sum of $400.00 per month to the Playground Commission to meet this increased payment of rental of the said grounds until its acquisition by the City shall have been accomplished.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

It was the concensus of opinion that this Commission should pay $100 per month from July 1, 1923 as rental in part for the Mission property, just as we did previous to that time, and continue to do so until a satisfactory adjustment has been made. The other $200 rental asked per month, has been included in the request contained in the preceeding Resolution.

Mr. Andrew P. Youmashef, of 529 Bush Street, called in the office and stated that he would welcome the opportunity to explain, upon a suitable occasion, a game he would like to see introduced on the playgrounds of San Francisco.

Miss Heyneman reported that there is to be a play called "Happyland" in which some of the playground children are participating, at the Auditorium on Friday, November 23rd at 3:30 p.m.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $1198.16 on Demands #17 and 18, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

M. Salomina Lagan

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 5, 1923.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:26 p.m. by the presiding officer, Rev. D.O.Crowley, President of the Commission.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
John McLaren;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern(on leave)
Mrs. P. C. Hale.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, were approved as read.

Mrs. Howell, representing a group from Glen Park, spoke before the Commissioners, calling their attention to the sewerage conditions at Glen Park. In the absence of the Superintendent, the Secretary was instructed to have the matter looked into immediately. The need for telephone connection at Glen Park Playground was also mentioned, but this matter is at present in the hands of the Board of Supervisors.

A personal check from Mr. James Needles, amount $26.00, the contribution of the Olympic Club to this Commission was received, and the Secretary authorized to cash check and expend same on Christmas parties for the children of the Playground Department. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and carried, the Secretary was authorized to expend a sum not to exceed $100.00 for trees, candy, and so forth -- it being understood that $26.00 check is included in that amount.

A communication was received from J. S. Dunnigan, clerk of the Board of Supervisors advising us that the Finance Committee has recommended to the Board that condemnation proceedings be instituted to acquire the Swift Property adjoining Mission Playground. The letter also requests that the Commission vacate the property immediately. Ordered filed.

Mr. Mills reported that he and Father Crowley were present at a recent Finance Committee meeting which resulted in the above action having been taken. Upon discussing the matter, the Commission has decided to see the City Attorney before paying the One Hundred Dollars monthly rental, and the yearly taxes.

Communication was received from Charles P. Lofthouse, janitor Bay View School, containing copy of letters received from Board of Education and the Mayor's Office regarding a request for additional compensation because of his rendering extra service on account of the maintenance of a playground on the schoolyard. The Secretary has been authorized to fully investigate the matter.

Communication was received from Mrs. E. H. Snell of 135-18th Avenue requesting that in order to protect her property we raise the fence which separates her place from the Richmond Playground. The Secretary was asked to take up the matter with the Superintendent who is to secure prices on erecting a fence similar to one put up adjoining other property at the Richmond Playground. Letter ordered filed.

Communication received from Mrs. H. E. Moseley, Supervisor of Playgrounds in Merced, asking that we forward to her information concerning games suited for playground purposes. The Secretary was instructed to forward the requested information. Letter ordered filed.

Communication from D. J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, calling attention to the presence of undesirable men and women frequenting the Margaret S. Hayward Playground. The remedy for this would be the erection of a field house on this ground, therefore, on motion regularly moved and carried, a sketch is to be made immediately and $3,000 to be expended on the first unit of this building. The field house is to include director's room, lavatory facilities, two showers, and tool room. The Secretary was authorized to secure such sketch at the earliest possible moment. Letter ordered filed.

Letter received from Hind Company notifying this department that commencing January 1, the rental of the Mission Property will be increased to $600 per month. Ordered filed.

The Secretary reported having received notification from Mr. Reid's office that the revised plans for Funston have been completed, and will be sent to our office for signatures.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, the Secretary was directed to send a letter to the Chief of Police asking that he assign a plain clothes officer to the M.S.Hayward Playground for a week, or for as long a period as necessary to rid the playground of undesirable persons. It was also recommended that Mr. Ffrench, the gardener there be provided with a special star.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Letter was received from Miss Ware extending to the Commission an invitation to be present at the awarding of trophies and felt letters to the winning teams of Hamilton at the playground on Friday, December 7, 1923. Ordered filed.

After discussing the petition received from the North Beach District concerning the lay-out of the North Beach Playground, on motion of Mr. McLaren, and seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and unanimously carried a letter is to be sent the petitioners calling their attention to the fact that several years ago North Beach was laid out as they are now requesting, and by the direct wish of the residents in the immediate neighborhood of the playground, was asphalted to permit of basketball being played thereon, in place of baseball. Inasmuch as the cost of rearranging the grounds would be extremely expensive, and in light of the other situation, the Commission deems it inadvisable to make any change.

Miss Heyneman reported that the Dramatic group will present several plays in connection with Christmas entertainments for the San Francisco Playgrounds.

Bills nd current expenses amounting to $2,648.09 on Demands 19 and 20 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. Maxwell Secretary

Executive Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 21, 1923.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry S. Mills;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern(on leave)
Mrs. P. C. Hale ;
Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

A communication was received from A. A. Tremp, Gen. Manager California Industries Exposition, thanking this department for having cooperated in the recent exposition. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Board of Education concerning schoolyards. At the suggestion of Mr. Dohrmann,a joint meeting is to be held the first part of next year to determine policies by and between the Playground Commission and the Board of Education. This letter, as well as the one received from Mr. Lofthouse, janitor of the Bay View School, has been referred to such meeting.

The Secretary reported that a letter of thanks was sent to the Fillmore Merchants Association thanking them for their cooperation at Hamilton Playground.

Communication was received from the Bay Cities Physical Education and Recreation Association, calling our attention to the formation of a class in Folk Dancing under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Burchenal,-ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. Boyle, City Auditor, asking that our Pay Rolls be sent down at the earliest possible time this month, in order that the employees may be paid off early.

Copy of the program of the Oakland Recreation Department held in the Oakland Municipal Auditorium, December 15th at 8:15 p.m. and December 16th, at 3 P.M. was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Independent Mid-Winter League asking for an extension of their baseball schedule, ordered filed, the Secretary having made the necessary arrangements.

Communication from the Executive Secretary of the Houston Recreation Department asking for figures and information on swimming pools. The Secretary is to forward the requested information. Ordered filed.

Communication from Dan Maher, asking that this Commission send resolution of thanks to the Hibernia Bank for the use of Tobin Field. Ordered filed, the Secretary being instructed to send such letter.

A communication from Mr. Swenson, enclosing copy of letter directed to the Editor of the San Francisco Herald, concerning the San Francisco Playgrounds, was ordered filed.

Communication from D. J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, notifying us that he has detailed two officers at the M. S. Hayward Playground. Ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Henry S. Mills, and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the erection of a fence at Richmond Playground for the sum of $79.70.

Mr. Mooney was instructed to hurry along the work of painting the fence at Hamilton Playground.

Mr. Mooney in reporting about the sewerage condition at Glen Park, stated the fault does not lie with the work done by the Board of Public Works, but in the sewerage from the Dairy located outside of the playground.

The Commissioners were invited to attend any and all of the numerous Christmas parties planned on the playgrounds of the city.

Bills and current expenses on Demand No. 21, amounting to $1639.02, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. Maxwell

Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 12, 1924.

MEETING

The annual meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 12,1924, Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollock;
Mr. Henry B.Mills;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with.

This being the first meeting of the new year, the election of President was declared in order.

On motion of Mr. Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, the name of Rev. D.O.Crowley was placed on nomination, and on motion regularly moved, seconded and carried, nominations were closed. Rev. D.O.Crowley was unanimously elected President --the Secretary empowered to cast the unanimous ballot.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, Mr. Henry B.Mills was nominated as Vice-president of the Commission,to be given full power to act during the absence of the Chairman. The motion was unanimously carried.

The President announced the following committees for the ensuing four years:

FINANCE (The new commissioner to serve as Chairman)
Fred Dohrmann Jr.
Henry B. Mills.

GROUNDS John McLaren, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Rev. D.O.Crowley

PLAY Henry B.Mills, Mrs. M.J.Pollock, Mrs. Stern

The President spoke about the development of playground sites -- San Bruno and Ocean View, which purchase is still being consummated, and Bay View which has been purchased.

The Commission went on record as being in favor of visiting the Bay View Playground site, and also the SummerCamp site.

The Secretary was asked to procure a lay-out of the camp site. It was also suggested that a letter be directed to the Board of Supervisors asking that they set aside an appropriation for the first year's expense of operation.

The Secretary and Superintendent were asked to procure an inventory of the equipment at the Summer Camp site at Mather.

Mr. Dohrmann was appointed by the president, as Chairman of the committee responsible for the Outfitting of the Cabins at the camp.

The Superintendent reported that the concrete has been poured for the Funston Field House foundation.

In discussing the Mission Playground, it was the concensus of opinion that a committee from the commission call on the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors to determine if some further action can be brought to bear. This being a matter for the Grounds Committee, composed of Mr. McLaren, Mrs. Stern, and Father Crowley, the matter was referred to them.

The Superintendent reported that the estimated cost for installation of a tennis court, basketball court, travelling rings, swings, slide and baby swings at the Presidio Reservation site, would cost $3,203.00.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 22 and 23 amounting to $2,729.45, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

The President reported that Mr. D.O.Devlin, architect, is drawing up the plans for the Field House for the girls' side of the M.S.Hayward Playground, free of charge.

Mr. Dohrmann mentioned about a joint meeting which will be held in the near future, between the Board of Education and the Playground Commission, at which time matters concerning both boards will be considered.

The Commission on motion regular moved and carried, agreed to hold their next meeting on Wednesday, January 23, 1924, at 2 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm Palmer Lane

Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco. January 23, 1924.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:10 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley, presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent; Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read with one correction, - that Mr. Auger's name be inserted as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Mrs. Norris notifying us that Mr. Dohrmann would be unable to attend the Playground Commission meeting.

Communication from Mr. Raitt, Superintendent Los Angeles Recreation Department, offering any assistance he will be able to render to the Playground Commission with respect to the plans for our summer camp. The letter is to be referred to Mr. Dohrmann and the Secretary to thank Mr. Raitt for his kind offer.

The Secretary reported having taken up with the City Engineer the Commission's proposed visit to the summer camp at Mather and the Concensus of opinion of the Commission is that such trip will,in all probability, be made between the 5th and 15th of February, preferably over a week-end period. The Engineer recommends that the Commissioners go in their own machines as far as Groveland, and take the provided means of transportation,from them.

Communication received from Mr. Gwinn, Superintendent of Schools, regarding James Lick Playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to secure a director for Sundays, on this ground.

Communication received from the Board of Education enclosing letter forwarded to them concerning playground apparatus. Ordered filed, the Secretary having forwarded the necessary information.

Communication from Mr. Leavy, the Purchaser of Supplies, notifying us of the time for placing of orders each month for supplies, and printing. Ordered filed.

Communication from Miss A. Musgrove, notifying the Playground Commission of a luncheon under the joint auspices of the S. F. Center and the Camp Fire Girls on the subject of Summer Camps, and urging the Commissioners to be present. for

Communication from Florence Nelson, asking information which is to be used in the compilation of their annual booklet. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply thereto.

Communication from the Board of Health notifying us of persons having communicable diseases. Ordered filed.

Communication from C. K. Duff, 64 Goettingen Street, Secretary University Mound District Association requesting the Commission to urge the purchase of the property bounded by Somerset, Hamilton, Silliman and Felton Streets. Ordered filed.

The concensus of opinion of the Commission is that six blocks or approximately 200 acres should be purchased for playground purposes in the University Mound District, and that they are to visit in a body the University Mound and Bay View sites after the meeting on February 6th, adjourns.

In discussing the Bay View site, Mrs. Stern said she will inquire from Mr. Ralph McLeran if there is an amount of $35,000 available for the improvement of the Bay View land.

The Secretary called to the Commission's attention the fact that we must make provision in our new budget for the improvement of the additional land at James Lick.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger and unanimously carried, a letter of thanks is to be forwarded to Mr. Lee. Devlin, Architect, for having drawn, free of charge, the plans for the fitted house in the girls' side of the M.S.Hayward Playground.

A letter was received from Miss [illegible] asking for an increase in salary. Also the question of an increase of salary for Miss Stephenson was brought up. On motion of Mr. Auger these two questions were ordered postponed until the next regular meeting when Mr. Mills would be present. Seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried.

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The Superintendent reported that the work on the Funston Field House is progressing, the concrete foundation having been finished. At Southside the tennis court and wire fencing are being completed. At Glen Park the work of building the courts has been discontinued due to the fact that the ground is in too moist a condition for this purpose.

Miss Heyneman reported that there are now organized on the playgrounds and in the centers,: 1 public speaking group, two story telling groups, three mothers' sewing groups, four dramatic groups, four evening girls' clubs, seven Camp Fire Girls'groups, eight evening boys' clubs, and one colored group of boys and one colored group of girls are also served. There are two boys' scout troops, one Community Improvement Club, one Associated Charities group, and seven industrial team groups also making use of the buildings.

Demands and current expenses amounting to $7380.31 were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Secretary

COMMUNICATIONS

Playground Commission

San Francisco, Feb. 13, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:10 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
John McLaren;
Fred Dohrmann Jr;
Constant J. Auger;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok.

Absent: Henry B.Mills

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 23, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

A communication in the form of a written notice was received from Dozier, Kimball and Dozier, representing Mrs. Mary A. Swift, notifying the Playground Commission that on and after January 1st 1924, the rental of that property adjacent to Mission Playground, used for play purposes was to be $500.00 per month.

Miss Young was requested to ask the opinion of the City Attorney on the question. Miss Young,returning,reported that in Mr. Daly's opinion unless the Board of Supervisors took immediate action,our only alternative is to vacate at once.

It was the concensus of opinion that we vacate.

The Secretary was directed to forward to Miss Morgan a copy of the notification received from Kimball, Dozier and Kimball and to ask Miss Morgan as Chairman of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee that she expedite the purchase of this Mission Property, if possible.

From U.S.Dept. of Labor, Commissioner of Naturalization, thanking the Playground Department of San Francisco for its participation in Americanization Week. Ordered filed.

A similar letter was received from the Commissioner of the Bureau of Naturalization.

From the Board of Education inviting the members of the Playground Commission to a conference on the question of the acquisition of proposed lands for school sites. Ordered filed.

From Charles Kendrick, Chairman Campaign Executive Committee of the Community Chest, thanking all workers for their cooperation during the Chest Drive. Ordered filed.

From the Parent Teachers' Association of the Le Conte School, thanking the Playground Department for their cooperation in the Christmas Party of the school.

From Miss Hulda Popper requesting an increase of salary,- referred to Mr. Mills.

Rev. D.O.Crowley reported that Miss Reed had also requested an increase of salary, - referred to Mr. Mills.

It was the opinion of theCommission that the visit to Mather should be made about April 15th.

Mr. Mihalovitz appeared before the Commission in the interests of the Ocean View Playground.

The lease at the City Center expires on March 16th. Miss Heyneman requests the renewal of same at a monthly rental of $50.00 per month, - referred to Finance Committee of the Playground Department.

The Secretary reported an error in making out a demand in favor of Jas. Reid, entered on line 1, Demand 87, under date of Jan. 23, 1924, in the amount of $1751.37, and requested a new demand in the amount of $546.91, which appears on Page 4, line 1 of demand 89. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the original demand $1751.37 was cancelled and a new demand in the amount of $546.91 authorized.

The Secretary presented a financial statement for the department from July 1st to Feb. 1, 1924, and requested a special meeting of the Finance Committee to discuss ways and means for the continued operation of the department through the balance of the fiscal year. Mr. Auger, Chairman of the Finance Committee suggested meeting on Saturday, Feb. 9th, at 9:30 a.m.

Mrs. Pollok reported having requested the Mayor for a leave of absence for a period of one month to visit the Hawaiian Islands, and that said leave had been granted.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $1661.91 on Demands 87,88,89 were approved and ordered paid.

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San Francisco,

Mr. Auger, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented a financial report and also the letter which has been directed to the Finance Committee of the Supervisors as a result of the Joint meeting of the Finance Committee of this Commission and the Board of Supervisors, which communication asks that additional moneys to the extent of $25,000 be turned over to this department for its continued operation through the present fiscal year.

Miss Heyneman requested a leave of absence for six weeks, in addition to her two weeks' vacation to cover the period from June 23 to August 18th. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Mills, and carried, the request was granted.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with Hind Co., Miss Mgt. Mary Morgan, and the City Attorney's office, notifying them of the fact that the Playground Commission is vacating on Friday, Feb. 29, 1924, that piece of property owned by Mrs. M.A.Swift.

On motion regularly moved and carried, demands numbers 30 and 31, amounting to $701.36 were approved and ordered paid.

The offer of Mr. Paul Fay to proceed with the construction of the tennis court at Glen Park was recorded and the Secretary directed to request Mr. Fay to notify this office when he would proceed, at which time his offer would be considered and action taken.

The Director of Recreation reported that a baseball tournament in which over 800 boys are participating, has been organized by the Playground Department and complete data concerning same has been forwarded to each Commissioner. On mentioning the May Festival, it was the especial wish of the Commission that Miss Hagan go right ahead with her plans for this affair.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:25 p.m.

Edelmond Hagan
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 19, 1924.

The members of the Playground Commission met in Executive Session, -- the President acting as Chairman.

All members of the Commission, with the exception of Mr. John McLaren, were present.

Report of Finance Committee.

Mr. C. J. Auger, Chairman of the Finance Committee reported on the financial situation based on the apparent deficit for the balance of the fiscal year. The report was based on the request to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors wherein the Playground Commission requested that items No. 78A-1090 for $10,000.00 and 77-1090 for $15,000.00 be transferred for the immediate use of this department. The request was made on the ground that the sums mentioned would not be expended during the present fiscal year. Mr. Auger further reported that the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors can only allot the $10,000.00 for Mission, -- this because of deficit in current operation, amounting to $15,000.00.

Mr. Auger submitted that the Finance Committee suggested the following:

1- Discontinuance of some employees.

2- Postpone operation of swimming tanks until July 1, 1924.

3- Recess of Work.

In accordance with above, the following changes have been made.

To be layed off indefinitely:

M.E.Phelan, Foreman	@$150.00, saving.....	$525.00
Ed. Kandler, Painter	"$8.35 per day.....	608.00
Geo. Harmon, Carpenter	"$9.00 " "	898.00
Wm. Cook, Laborer) Jas.Ffrench " (Thos.McConville") Frank Walsh " (Jas. Welch ") Wm. Cramer " (	6 @ $130 per mo. for 3½ mos.	2730.00
Close Mission Playground, except for small children.		
Transfer Mr. J. McNamara to Jackson, vice Rankin on leave 110x3 1/3		366.50
Mr. O. Germino, Presidio, to Glen Park, vice Wm.O'Brien on leave 100x3½.....		350.00
Miss Alice Clancy, Asst. at Excelsior to assist at Richmond, vice Miss Hart on leave 125x 3½.....		437.50
The services of MissHelen Eakin, kindergarten teacher at Southside, and Miss R. Mogelefsky to be discontinued.		56.00
Hamilton, Excelsior, Jackson to be supervised by 1 person in place of two.....		144.00
Community Centers		
Story telling, Sewing, Camp Fire, Public Speaking, Kindergarten and girls' clubs to be discontinued, (boys' clubs and dramatics to be continued)....		826.00
		$ 6941.00

These changes being put into effect, plus the $10,000.00 from Mission will give us approximately $42,768.00 for four months, (March, April, May and June.) Average expenditure $10,692.00 per month which while shortening up on certain activities and shutting down on the non-essential things will carry us through. Also reduction of autos maintained by the department to one.

Moved, seconded and carried that report be adopted and action taken as recommended therein.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 27th were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from the Mayor's Office asking the cooperation of the Playground Department in making the Spring Music Festival a success. Ordered filed.

From J.D.Foster, Boys' Week Executive of the Y.W.C.A., thanking this Commission for its cooperation in the baseball schedule of the Y. Ordered filed.

From E. J. Campodonica asking the new members of the Commission to consider replacing baseball on North Beach Playground. Ordered filed.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Application from John B. Clark, Student in Medical Dept. of U. C., for position as Manager of the Playground Department's Summer Camp in Hetch Hetchy. Ordered filed.

From Geo. J. Higgins, Miami, Florida, applying for a position as Tennis Instructor in the playground department of S.F. Ordered filed.

From Marguerity Johnson for the position of swimming instructor in this department. Ordered filed.

From Supervisor Deasy enclosing a letter of complaint from residents adjacent to Southside Playground, because of the annoyance caused by batted balls. Ordered filed, the Commission being of the opinion that said nuisance should be abated.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $629.67, on Demands 32 and 33, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:50 p.m.

M. Philomena Hagan.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. March 16, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:10 p.m.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann;
Mrs. M. J. Pollok;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Henry S. Mills;
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the last meeting were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Ray Daugherty, Supervisor of Athletics, P. S.A.L. announcing the 16th Annual Championship Track and Field Meet, and notifying us when and where the weighing in will take place. Ordered filed.

Communication from Melvyn I. Cronin, President Independent Winter League, thanking us for the courtesies extended to them during the period their baseball league games were in progress. Ordered filed.

Communication from P. S.A.L. announcing their 1924 baseball schedule. Ordered filed.

A rough sketch showing the owners of one of the blocks which constitutes the Ocean View Playground site was presented by Mr. Mihalovitz. Ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported the estimated cost for a fifty foot extension on one of the backstops together with an overhanging section of about 6', same to be erected at some future time at Southside Playground-- the estimated cost being $179.00.

The Superintendent also reported that the fence at Spring Valley Playground needs repairing. This will cost approximately $35.00. The two amounts equal $214.00 On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, these improvements are to be made as soon as the money is available. The Superintendent further reported the estimate for installing two lights at Glen Park. The Pacific Gas and Electric Company's bid, which does not include the erection of the two poles, $225.00 - Fobes Supply Co, of 260-5th St., complete work $145.00.

On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, the work on Glen Park is to be held in abeyance until we are ready to complete the playground there.

Miss Heyneman reported that a number of her workers have volunteered their services until the end of the fiscal year.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, a resolution was passed whereby a letter of thanks is to be sent these people for having volunteered their services and also acknowledge our acceptance of their kind offer. Miss Heyneman further reported that the City Center is to be evacuated with the expiration of the lease. The evening girls' club at the City Center is joining with the girls' club at Glen Park and is retaining its leader whose salary will be met by the club. The boys' club of the City Center will in future meet at Glen Park. At Jackson Playground the expense for music at the dances, will be met by the club members..

Miss Hagan reported that the 6th annual Tennis Tournament has an entry list of 2,101. The Saturday morning baseball series now in progress has a total number of 875 participants.

Mrs. Stern reported that it is the intention of the S. F. Center to hold a luncheon meeting at which time playground pictures will be shown and speeches given which will interest the community in playgrounds and recreation. To this meeting the Acting Mayor, the Finance Committee and Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Supervisors, the members of the Board of Education, and others will be invited. In this connection Mr. Dohrmann mentioned that Miss Roberts of the Board of Education has a cert in type of machine for the showing of pictures which we may use for the running off of ours if we make use of it.

Miss Heyneman expressed a desire to have approximately 1000' of pictures taken of Community Center activities which would cost about $40.00.

In mentioning the budget, it was the concensus of opinion that the Secretary and the Superintendent prepare all the preliminary work which is necessary, and same to be gone over by the Finance Committee of the Commission .

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Mr. Mills suggested that Miss Heynemam make an effort to secure financial aid from the various groups who are interested in Funston, in order to make it possible to furnish the field house there.

Mrs. Pollok was inquiring as to when the swimming tanks would be open as she is desirous of holding a special swimming event upon the opening of the swimming tank at Mission Playground. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, the tanks are to be opened on or about April 15th, provided the necessary funds can be secured.

In discussing the date for the May Festival, the following motion was passed. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger, it is to be held on the first Saturday in June. This is our order that the Mayor will have returned to the city, may have an opportunity to attend.

Mr. Ellers who was in at a previous meeting of the Commission inquiring about the possibility of installing a window in the store adjoining the playground was told that the Commission is unalterably opposed to this, for reasons which were expressed before.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, bills and current expenses amounting to $2267.35 on demands 34 and 35 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:10 p.m.

H. Philamena Haynm

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 9, 1924.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. M.J.Pollok;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Henry B.Mills;
Mr. John McLeran;
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting were on motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

From John W. Rogers, Sec. Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee, Board of Supervisors, announcing a meeting of his committee at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 10th, Room 222 at which meeting the transfer of $10,000 set aside for the purchase of land to the account of personal service for the playground funds was to be considered. He requested that a member of the Commission should be present. Ordered filed - Mr. Auger and Mr. Mills signifying their intention of being present.

From Mr. Leonard S. Leavy, Purchaser of Supplies, requesting an estimate from this department covering the amount of gasoline, kerosene, distillates, fuel oils, lubricants, asphaltum, etc. to be used by this department during 24-25. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to supply requested information.

From Miss Abbie Condit of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, inviting the cooperation and support of the local playground department in the preliminaries for the National Marble Contest to be conducted at Atlantic City. Ordered filed, the Secretary reporting the department was cooperating.

From Mrs. H. Roy Stovel, Secretary of the Executive Committee "Music Week" enclosing blanks to be filled out by this department upon the completion of our Music Week program. Ordered filed, the Secretary having supplied directors on various playgrounds with the blanks mentioned.

A bulletin of "Easter Suggestions" from the Playground and Recreation Assn. was received. The Secretary reported having acknowledged receipt of same.

Letter of thanks was received from the Board of Education for the invitation extended to the members to visit the exhibit of children's work on display in the playground office. Ordered filed.

From Dr. Sumner Hardy, President California Lawn Tennis Association, congratulating the playground department on the progress being made in the development of tennis among the young boys and girls of San Francisco. Ordered filed.

From Miss Anne Godfrey, Secretary American Citizenship Council announcing a luncheon at the Bellevue Hotel on April 22nd. Ordered filed.

From His Honor Thomas F. Graham, Chairman Municipal Departments' Committee "Boys' Week" asking the assistance of the Playground Department in the Boys' Week program. Ordered filed.

From Geo. Hjelte, Superintendent of Berkeley Playground Department stating that shortly a conference of Camp Executives is to be called for the purpose of discussing camp sanitation, - acknowledged with thanks, the Secretary having signified to Mr. Hjelte that we would be quite interested in such a meeting.

The Playground Commission budget for 1924-25 was passed as follows:

PERSONAL				Amount
Exec.Secretary and Dir. of Rec.	1 @	$250.		$ 3000.
Superintendent	1 "	200		2400.
Asst.Sec. and Asst.Dir.	1 "	175		2100.
Director of Community Work	1 "	175		2100.
Bookkeeper and Clerk	1 "	125		1500.
Stenographer	1 "	75		900.
Directors(Male and Female)	29"	120-130		43680.
Swimming Directors(9 mos.)	2	125-135		2475.
Bath House Assistants "	2 "	100		1800.
Schoolyard Directors	4 "	75-85		3600.
Sunday Directors, Male	15 "	$5		3900.
" " Female	15 "	$4		5040.
Carpenter	1 "	$0		2730.
Painter	1 "	$0.75		1560.
Laborers	25@ 130.	1 "	$150	40920.
" Emergency				500.
Directors "				3670.
Operation Community Centers				15000.
				$134430.

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Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Total Contractual.....	$36,250.00
Materials, Supplies.....	27,550.00
Equipment	5,200.00
Rent, Taxes and Refund on Mission.....	11,280.00
Improvements	
Buildings	18,950.00
Misc. Construction.....	31,900.00
Summer Camp -Init.Expend.	10,000.00
	$143,130.00

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Explanation of Expense for:

BUILDINGS

Funston.....	$ 5,950.00
M.S.Hayward.	6,000.00
Univ.Mound	6,000.00
Pres.Res.	1,000.00
	$18,950.00

CONSTRUCTION

Funston....	$ 7,000.00
Glen Park	3,500.00
Presidio Res.	3,050.00
Univ.Mound	13,350.00
21st and Folsom	5,000.00
	$31,900.00

Total Budget 24-25

Personal.....	$134,830.00
Non-personal ..	143,130.00
	$277,960.00

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PURCHASE OF LAND

The Playground Commission highly endorses the continued purchase of land at:

1-Mission Playground, 19th and Angelica Sts.
2-University Mound
3-Ocean View
4-Glen Park

and

Unanimously endorses as a necessary part of the general recreation program of the City and County of San Francisco the ESTABLISHMENT OF PLAYGROUNDS in the following localities:

1-Visitacion Valley
2-Oceanside District
3-West of Twin Peaks
4-Ingleside District
5-Far Mission District

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Bills and current expenses amounting to $13,598.73 on Demands 36, 37 and 38, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p.m.

Edmund Hagan
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 23, 1924.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2 p.m. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. F. Dohrmann;
Mr. C.J.Auger.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mrs. Pollok
Mr. Mills

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next meeting of the Commission.

COMMUNICATION

From the Chamber of Commerce asking that we answer a communication which had been forwarded to them. Ordered filed, the Secretary having been instructed to reply.

The Secretary reported that if agreeable to the members of the Playground Commission she would like to have the date of the May Festival changed back to May 24th, and stated several reasons for so doing. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, it is to be held on May 24th, provided this date is agreeable to Mrs. Pollok, Mr. Mills and Mr. Rainey. If this does not meet with their approval, it will be held on June 7th as originally planned.

Bills and current expenses on Demand 39, amounting to $531.86 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:20p.m.

Edmund Hagan
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco. May 7, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2 P.M., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. C.J.Auger.

Absent: Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of theprevious meetings were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

From the Pac. Gas and Elec. Co. thanking this department for having cooperated with them in connection with the reservation of baseball diamonds. Ordered filed.

From Mr. Toyne, Secretary South of Army Merchants' Assn., announcing they were sending representatives to our meeting on the 7th of May. Ordered filed.

A letter from the Secretary of the Golden Gate Valley Imp. Club, inquiring about the dedication of Funston Playground. Ordered filed, the Secretary to respond thereto.

A letter received from Raywill Mfg. Co. of Napa, Cal., together with a catalogue showing the athletic goods which they carry. Ordered filed.

A letter received from the S.F. Boys' Club, requesting baseball diamonds. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to take care of the request.

A communication received from the Oakland Recreation Department, announcing their annual May Day observance on the various Oakland playgrounds. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. John Reid, announcing that he had instructed the Globe Elec. Co. to instal the necessary conduit at the Funston Field Houseln accordance with prevailing ordinances. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond that same is satisfactory to the Commission.

A communication received from A.B.Haggerty of Clio, Cal., recommending to the Commission a summer camp site. Ordered filed, the Secretary to respond thereto.

Communication from the Shell Oil Company asking permission to conduct a singles tennis tournament. Ordered filed, the necessary permission having been granted.

Communication from John W. Rogers, enclosing petition from the S.F.Parlor N.S.G.W. and the four Chinese newspapers for establishment of a playground in Chinatown. Ordered filed, the Secretary to respond thereto.

Two representatives from the South of Army Merchants' Association came in to request the establishment of a playground at 19th and Noe Sts. TheChairman assured them we are most anxious for the further establishment of playgrounds, but the necessary funds must first be forthcoming from the Board of Supervisors.

The Secretary reported that on each of the eleven playgrounds, musical programs would be given during Music Week, and letters are to be sent to the Commissioners announcing the time and place for these programs.

The Secretary further reported that the playground and tennis tournament is practically completed on the individual playgrounds, and soon the intercity matches will commence; also that several individuals have donated balls and rackets. The commission therefore asked that letters of thanks be sent to those parties who have been so kind in donating supplies for use in our tennis tournament.

The Superintendent reported that the necessary repairing of fences at Spring Valley, Presidio, and Jackson has been completed. He also reported that work at Funston is progressing rapidly. The windows have been installed, and there was a temporary cessation of inside work awaiting orders in regard to putting in the conduit for the electrical work.

Miss Heyneman reported that the evening activities at Jackson are being conducted commencing at 6 P.M., and baseball is especially featured. She also reported that the young lady who was doing story telling work has resigned.

The question as to the Commissioners visiting the Summer Camp site was taken up, and it was agreed that they also go on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 13th and 14th, and also that some member of the Engineer's office, and Miss Mgt. Mary Morgan were to accompany the party on this trip.

Mrs. Stern spoke about the coming conference of the Council of Social and Health Agencies at Long Beach. Both Miss Hagan and Miss Heyneman are on the program to speak, and on motion regularly moved and carried it was agreed that a sum not to exceed $150.00 be allowed for defraying all expenses of this trip.

A Miss Doherty called in asking information concerning some property she holds in the Ocean View Playground site. She was referred to Mr. McGinnis of the Bd. of Supervisors, and the Assessor's Office, for further information.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

The following committee was appointed to visit the ground sites available for playground purposes in the vicinity of 29th and Noe: Mr. Mills, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 40 and 41, amounting to $1,067.61 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3 P.M.

M. Filomene Hagen

Playground Commission

San Francisco. May 21, 1914.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:05 P.M.

In the absence of the President, and the Vice-president, it was unanimously agreed that Mrs. Stern preside.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Pollok;
Mr. C.J.Auger;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Rev. D.C.Crowley;
Henry S. Mills;
John McLaren.

MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, the minutes of the last meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Glen Park Community Club requesting a new fence and entrance. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to reply that no construction work could be undertaken until such time as the budget appropriation had been studied and allocated.

From the Forest Hill association requesting a playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply.

From Miss L. S.Reed, requesting that she be appointed as a director at Funston Playground. Ordered filed.

From J. McComber, requesting a baseball diamond for game between Mail Clerks and Ferry Post Office Clerks. Ordered filed.

From the U.S.Government calling attention to the Citizens' Training Camps and requesting our cooperation in filling same. Ordered filed.

From the Golden Gate Valley Commercial Club, asking permission to present flag and cooperate with dedicatory services of Funston Playground.

From Irma Schwuler of Jerome, Arizona, making application for position of play director.

REPORTS

Regarding meeting on Friday, for purpose of discussing proposed Playground and Park Commission consolidation, Miss Hagen reported that it was the President's desire that Mrs. Sigmund Stern represent the Commission. It was so ordered.

Mr. Auger reporting on the summer camp, stated that the personnel of the Committee on Investigation, i.e. Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Margaret Mary Morgan, Mrs. Millard F. Pollok, Miss M[illegible] Hagen, Miss Ruth Sepulveda, Rev. D.C.Crowley, Mr. C. J. Auger, ex officio, and Mr. John Rooney, was unanimous in the recommendation that the camp should be operated this year, and that accommodation be provided for [illegible] persons at a time. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, the Secretary was directed to address a communication to the Board of Supervisors requesting said body to authorize a committee from the Board of Supervisors [illegible] as deemed advisable, with investigation, on the matter appropriating the establishment of a camp -- said committee to be selected public and report the Playground Commission. [illegible] necessary money be available and that the matter be placed on file until position of Camp Manager.

The Secretary was directed to address a communication to Mr. Edith, Mr. Hyde and Reymond Fuller asking recommendation from the Yosemite Park people for the same purpose.

Miss Hagen reported that figures for [illegible] ment, including the next, commissary, and [illegible] Engineer's office. It was the sense of the Commission that these figures should be procured.

Mr. Mooney reported that a request had been made to him for the construction of a back-stop in the University Mound. Funds for [illegible] at present. Mr. Mooney further reported that the [illegible] Court at Glen Park. [illegible] expense for grading. It was the sense of the Commission that such work could not be undertaken at this time.

Miss Heyneman reported of a play to be given by the Dramatic Committee Club, Friday, May [illegible]. Asked a grant in behalf of the [illegible] of the sewing girls' club which will be their contribution to the [illegible] The consideration of the employment of a story-teller was deferred until a future date.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Mr. Dohrmann reported that the Board of Education was prepared to offer twenty schoolyards to be used as public playgrounds during the school vacation period. Such yards are to be under the supervision of the Playground Department, the financing of same to be borne by the Board of Education; it was suggested that a survey be made to determine the schools best suited for the purpose.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $237.59 on demand 42, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

W. Salomene Hagan
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 4, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:10 p.m., Pres. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. M.J.Pollok;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann.

Before proceeding with regular business, the Commission interviewed candidates for the position of Camp Manager.
Mr. C.K.Prior, recommended by Eliz. Snell of Stanford
Mr. Geo. Mixon, " " " " " "
Mr. Thornbro, " " Mr. Farrow, Y.M. Pk. Co.
Mr. C.E.Blesse " " University of California, were all interviewed. Mr. Blesse was the unanimous choice of the Commission.

Regarding Camp Applicants. Miss Hagan reported that Mr. Raitt of Los Angeles, Mr. Nash of Oakland, and Mr. Hjelte of Berkeley were unable to recommend a candidate for the position of Camp Manager. Inquiries at the Boy Scout Headquarters of Oakland, Berkeley, and San Francisco were all without results.

The candidates above mentioned were the only possibilities with the exception of Mr. John B. Clark, of the Medical Department of the University of California. Investigation disclosed that Mr. Clark's experience had been confined to the Y. M. C. A. Camp at Canadero, in the capacity of resident first aid administrator.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from John Reid Jr., City Architect, under date of May 31st recommending a slight change of wall stone and varnish in the finish of club and game room was order filed.-- the recommendation meeting with the approval of the Commission. The Secretary was directed to so notify Mr. Reid.

A communication from the Spring Valley Water Company calling attention to a prevailing water shortage and requesting the Playground Department to use every precaution to avoid waste. Was ordered filed; the Secretary reported copies of letter had been sent to all playgrounds, and employees urged to comply with the water Company's request.

A communication from Miss Elizabeth Herlihy, Boston Planning Commission, expressing appreciation of the courtesies extended her while visiting San Francisco in general, and the Playground Department in particular, was read. Miss Herlihy was most complimentary in her praise of the San Francisco Department, stating "It was a revelation to her and far ahead of anything attempted here in the East." She further inquired about our budget appropriation for 1924-25.

Wallace Bates, Tennis Champion, returning from a tour of the Pacific Coast Cities, addressed a communication to the department of a commendatory nature because of organization among children in playground sports and games.

A communication from the Mrs. Frank B. Moore, Secretary of the Outdoor Art Department of the California Club, endorsing the establishment of a playground for the Chinese children, in St. Mary's Park on California Street, was ordered filed, - it being the opinion of the Commission that we favor such a playground.

From D. J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, expressing appreciation of letter of thanks from Playground Department for assistance given by the Police Department on May 24th, (Festival Day)

A communication from the Sunday Director of M.L.Hayward complaining of undesirables on playground, the excuse being the use of lavatory. Suggested that Mr. McLaren be requested to have convenience station erected in park section of the playground. Miss Hagan directed to interview Mr. McLaren on the subject.

Communication from Mr. M.J.Sweeney asking to be nominated Director of Boys at Funston Playground. Action deferred because of absence of Mr. Mills, Chairman of the Play Committee.

Supervisor Welch addressed the Commission on the establishment of more playgrounds for small children, particularly in that district bounded by the Castro Hills to Potrero Avenue, and from Market Street, South. He further stated that the department was being greatly criticized because of the method of expansion and urged a more definite policy for the acquisition of additional playgrounds for children, and suggested that other expansion projects be secondary.

Communications were received from Industrial Athletic Association, (Mr. C. Renker, Pres., Standard Oil Employees' Assn. Mr. A.McKay, Athletic Director of the Bank of California, and the Chairman Athletic Committee Associated Oil Co.) requesting permission to make use of the Basketball Court at Funston Field House. Ordered filed.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

In discussing the number of instruments employed in the Band for the May Festival, the Secretary suggested that a communication be addressed to Supervisor Roncovieri, asking that he include in his band assignments the Spring Festival of 1925 of the Playground Commission, thus assuring the department of a band large enough for the occasion.

The President suggested that he and Mrs. Pollok see Mr. Roncovieri regarding above.

The Secretary requested the appointment of a Camp Committee with power to act, in order to avoid any unnecessary delay in camp preparations. The President appointed Mr. Auger, Mrs. Pollok, and Miss Hagan with full power to act on all camp questions.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, the Superintendent was instructed to have Mr. Ffrench formerly employed at the M.S.Hayward Playground, report for duty on June 9th.

The Superintendent reported the cost of erecting a fence at the James Rolph Jr. Playground, along the Potrero Avenue site for a distance of 250' would be approximately $800.00. Referred to Grounds Committee.

Bills and current expenses to date, on Demands $43, 44, 45 amounting to $2972.47 were approved and ordered paid. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan.
Exec. Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 18, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. C.J.Auger.

Absent: Mrs. Stern;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Henry S. Mills.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

In discussing the establishment of the Municipal Camp at Mather, in accordance with resolution No. 21739,(New Series) Board of Supervisors, it was on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, resolved that in addition to the $4000.00 from the General Fund for the Playground Commission for 1923-24 which Mr. McLaren, Chairman of the Finance Committee Bd. of Supervisors said we might expend on camp, there should be established from the moneys received from camp reservations, etc., a revolving fund to pay current camp expenses, against which Mr. C.J.Auger or Miss M.Philomene Hagan would have the right to draw checks. Mr. C.J.Auger was appointed to make the necessary investigations.

A communication was received from Blanche K. Ashbaugh, inviting the playground boys to participate in the Municipal Tennis Tournament in Golden Gate Park on July 4th, as guests of the Tennis Committee. The winner of said tournament to compete in Detroit for Municipal Championship of the United States. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge with thanks said invitation.

From Santa Fe Railway giving price and schedule over their lines for conveying passengers on excursions of Mather. Ordered filed.

From Maude M. Phipps, placing application for position as nurse in mountain camp. Ordered filed.

From Secretary Forest Hill Association thanking the Commission for recommending to the Board of Supervisors the establishment of a playground in the district west of Twin Peaks. Ordered filed.

From the Associated Oil requesting the use of basketball court in Funston Field House for practice games when basketball season opens. Ordered filed, the Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same.

From Alberta L. Baumberger of the Mission Center offering to distribute 250 camp folders. Also from Wiley Winsor, Ex. Sec. Y.M.C.A. offering to distribute camp circulars. Both letters ordered filed, the Secretary having sent circulars and letter of appreciation.

From Mrs. Mordecai suggesting a drinking fountain at the entrance of the new Funston Field House. Ordered filed.

From the Mayor's Office enclosing copy of letter received from Mr. S.Kahn President Industrial Athletic Association requesting the use of Funston Field House basketball court when basketball season opens. Ordered filed, and referred to Play Committee.

Mr. Rhine and Mr. Dozier appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Swift Estate stating that the price of $37,000 had been fixed by court as a fair valuation and requested that the Commission address the Board of Supervisors for the purpose of expediting the purchase of the property. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS the Playground Commission has been informed by Mr. Rhine and Mr. Dozier that the sum of $37,0 0.00 has been named through condemnation proceedings as a fair valuation and purchase price for the property of the Swift Estate located at 19th nd Angelica Streets and formerly used as a part of the Mission Playground and

WHEREAS we have been given to understand that this price is agreeable to the owner and the purchaser(i.e. Mrs. Swift and the Board of Supervisors)

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Playground Commission address a communication to the Board of Supervisors requesting them to purchase said property for playground purposes out of the General Fund of 1924-25.

So ordered, and Secretary directed to forward communication to Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Mihailovits appeared before the Commission in the interests of the Ocean View Playground site. In addressing the Commission, Mr. Mihailovits

explained that practically 150,000 square feet could be purchased for $20,000 in the block bounded by Minerva, Montana and Plymouth and Capitol Avenues, while $20,000 in the first block would purchase only 90,000 square feet in the block bounded by Lobos, Minerva, Capitol and Plymouth Avenues.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, and carried it was resolved to have ajoint conference with members of the Playground Commission and the Lands Committee of the Board of Supervisors for the purpose of discussing the purchase of playground sites.

Mr. Auger, Chairman Finance Committee requested a meeting of the Commission on the budget allotment for 1924-25 at an early date.

In discussing the dedication of the San Francisco Municipal Camp it was suggested that some date around July 12th be named, such date to be subject to the approval of the Engineer's Office and To His Honor James Rolph Jr. The Secretary was instructed to ascertain the day best suited.

In discussing Funston Field House it was the concensus of opinion that same should be occupied as soon as possible and that formal dedication of the playground should take place when, in the opinion of the Commission, the building was furnished to an extent that would justify throwing open the building to the public.

Bills and current expenses to date on Demands 46 and 47 amounting to $1944.67 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

Solomene Hegan
Exec. Secretary

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p.m., President Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. C. J. Auger;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann, Jr.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred Pollok.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from His Honor, James Rolph Jr., announcing a public reception to Lieutenant Russel L. Maughan in the rotunda of the City Hall, on Friday June 27th at 3:00 p.m. was ordered filed.

A notice from the North Beach Promotion Association calling attention to a meeting on Wednesday, July 2nd at 8:00 p.m., for the purpose of urging the establishment of a playground and park at Taylor and Vallejo Streets was ordered filed.

The Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of said notice and to state the Playground Commission believed the ground was inadequate for play purposes, but would advocate the parking of same.

A communication from Mr. Mihalovits in elaboration of his statement at a previous meeting of the Commission relative to square feet of land procurable for $20,000.00 in the so called Ocean View Playground Site.

The Secretary directed to acknowledge receipt of same and further instructed to refer the letter to Commission members at the time of the joint meeting of the Lands and Tunnels Committee and the Playground Commission, at which time the further purchase of the Ocean View land is to be discussed.

A communication from the Secretary of the Glen Park Community Club calling attention to the fence at Glen Park requesting that the Commission consider the erection of a wire fence in the general improvement of the Park. Ordered filed.

Report on Funston Field House.

The Secretary reported the keys for same had been turned over to the Playground Commission. The architect had reported the completion of same to his satisfaction. Bills for final payment were received and their payment in order.

In discussing the Field House it was the concensus of opinion that lavatories in the shower rooms which had been omitted because of limited finances should be installed at once and the Secretary directed to notify Mr. Reid accordingly.

It was also the concensus of opinion that Mr. Reid should submit figures for a concrete walk around the building.

Mr. John McLaren was appointed a committee of one and given full power to act on the question of planting at the Funston Field House.

Reporting on the Fourth of July Committee activities--the Secretary announced that the sum of $50.00 had been appropriated by the Committee to be expended by the Playground Commission. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Secretary was authorized to expend $50.00 in addition to the above, making a total of $100.00.

Mr. Auger, Chairman, reporting for the Finance Committee stated that in the opinion of the Committee, the work of the department during the fiscal year of 1924-25 should be planned on a most economical basis and would therefore suggest the elimination of all non-essentials from the work of the department. Report adopted. Mr. Auger requested permission to discuss the report with the Lady Members of the Commission. Mr. Fred Dohrmann stated that in as much as he would be away from the City at the next meeting, he stated his vote recorded in favor of the report of the Finance Committee.

In discussing the return of those employees of the department who were laid off because of finances, it was the concensus of opinion that Frank Walsh and M. Phelan Cramer should be returned to work at once in the capacity of laborers at a salary of $130.00 per month.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

The question of the return of the Woman Director to Glen Park was referred to the Play Committee.

The Superintendent was directed to prepare a list of repairs and improvements needed in the department. Such repairs and improvements to be arranged in the order of their urgency. Costs to be included in all cases.

Bills and current expenses to date on Demands #48, 49 and 50 amounting to $13,125.52 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 6, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p. m., President Rev. D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. C.J.Auger;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred Pollok;

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from His Honor Jas. Rolph Jr. under date of July 30, 1924 in acknowledgement of our copy to His Honor, of the letter of appreciation directed to the Playground Commission from the members of the Pioneer Camp at Hetch Hetchy.

A communication expressing appreciation of the Municipal Camp, its establishment, location and management, and the hope of its continuance and growth was received from the group of people who enjoyed the second outing at Mather, Tuolumne County. Ordered filed, the Secretary having acknowledged receipt of same.

A communication was received from C. G. Rice, Oakland, asking information regarding swimming poole. Ordered filed, the information having been forwarded.

Communication from Arnold and Rollins, relative to letter of inquiry regarding ability of T. G. Havner, an applicant for a playground position. Ordered filed.

From the Glen Park Community Club, asking why there is no woman director at Glen Park. Ordered filed.

REPORTS

(From the Secretary)

Financial report for the year ending June 30th, 1924 was presented to the Commission as follows:

APPROPRIATIONS		EXPENDITURES	
Bal. approp. '22-'23...	$10,566.04	July Expenditures.....	$10,203.39
Approp. 1923-24.....	150,000.00	August "	14,155.48
Special Approp.		September "	16,640.61
Additional Appropriation	10,000.00	October "	12,498.19
Funston Playground	7,500.00	November "	14,560.34
Glen Park "	2,000.00	December "	13,547.89
M.S.Hayward "	5,000.00	January "	13,973.92
	$185,066.04	February "	11,299.26
Expenditures	180,871.18	March "	10,823.59
	$ 4,194.86	April "	21,171.59
		May "	8,941.27
		June "	33,055.65
			$180,871.18

From $4,194.86 the following bills, amounting to $4135.34 are to be deducted:

Recreation Supplies....	$ 909.65;	
Water.....	1245.04;	
Gas and Electricity....	50.48;	
Laundry.....	215.17;	
Garbage.....	45.00;	
Cartage.....	58.00;	
Board of Supervisors, Glen Park $500 interest $120 search title)	620.00;	
Glen Park Tennis,B.B.Ct.	992.00	$4135.34 Total.

Balance $59.52

The Secretary was directed to notify the Fay Improvement Company to proceed with the work of asphalting the tennis and basketball courts at Glen Park, cost approximately $992.00, same to be paid for out of $1051.00 balance standing to credit of playground department.

Report of Superintendent ....Repairs and Improvements

Fence around tennis court at Glen Park
Estimate of West Coast Iron Works to complete fence at a cost of $495.00. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Superintendent was directed to proceed with work at once.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Shower room at Jackson, etc,

Estimate from Fransen and Parent for repair of shower rooms at Jackson $186.00, work to include removal of old tile and wood joists in shower room to fill in same with concrete from ground to floor height. A new tile floor to be installed with proper drain to same and patching T And G at partition. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, estimate accepted and Superintendent directed to proceed with work at once. Mr. Mooney further reported that sand and tan bark were needed for the entire department. Sand to cost approximately $500.00, Tan Bark to cost approximately $600.00. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Superintendent was authorized to proceed with the purchase of both commodities.

Minor Repairs

Lumber and shingles amounting to approximately $100.00 being needed for such work. The Superintendent was authorized to make the necessary purchase.

The estimate of the West Coast Wire and Iron Works of $300.00 to cover minor repairs in wire fences at Mission, Southside, Excelsior, North Beach and Spring Valley (780 ' of wire mesh) was pronounced acceptable to the Commission, and the Secretary directed to proceed with same.

In discussing the estimate $200.00 to cover cost of reshingling roof at Southside, it was the sense of the meeting that figures should be procured for metal tiles, metal shingles and asbestos roofing, such figures to be ready by the next meeting.

In discussing the replacement of baby swings in the department, the Superintendent was directed to communicate with the Everwear people and secure prices.

Report of the Finance Committee.

Unfinished Business

Mr. Auger, in deference to the lady members of the Commission who were not present at the previous meeting of the Board, repeated the report of the Finance Committee, i.e. it was the opinion of the committee that the work of the department during the fiscal year 1924-25 should be planned on a most economical basis, and would therefore suggest the elimination of all work of the Community Center Department of the Playground Commission, in order to better serve the children of the community. Report adopted and the discontinuance of Community Center work and its employees ordered, and the Secretary directed by the chair to send out the necessary notices. Mrs. Stern declined to vote, and wished her action so recorded.

Mrs.Stern reporting for the Play Committee, stated that in the opinion of the committee, a woman director should be appointed at Glen Park at a salary of $110.00 per month. That a man should be assigned there as part time director at a salary not to exceed $75.00.

The Secretary was asked to make a recommendation. Helen Wollang and Natalie Hubbert who have been in the employ of the department for the past four years, were suggested. It was further suggested that the present man be assigned to the part time position. The Secretary was instructed to make the necessary appointments.

Reporting on the sewer, it was the sense of the meeting that this condition should be thoroughly investigated and a full report be made at the next meeting of the Commission.

Complaints of conditions at Funston resulted in a request for immediate appointment of directors to take charge of the playground. Referred to the play committee. The Secretary requested permission to purchase play supplies to the extent of $1000.00 and the replacement of boys' trunks and girls' bathing suits for an amount not to exceed $150.00, both requests granted.

Bills and current expenses to date, amounting to $5221.13 on Demands 1,2,3 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

W. Clement Hagan

Exec. Secretary.

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San Francisco, August 20, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., the vice-chairman, Mr. Henry B.Mills presiding in the absence of the President, Rev. D.O.Crowley.

Present: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. C.J. Auger;
Mrs. Mildred Pollok;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Parent Teachers' Association of Mill Valley asking the most desirable surface for a combination games court, also names of firms who do such work. Ordered filed, the Secretary having responded to same.

From the Park and Playground Committee of Richmond, California, asking for a copy of the S. F. Ordinance under which the Playground Commission functions. Ordered filed, the ordinance having been forwarded.

From the San Francisco Baseball club, giving a price of 50¢ and 75¢ each on used baseballs. Ordered filed.

From Miss Aileen G. Jones,(on leave) requesting to be reinstated in the Playground Department. Ordered filed.

From soccer football commissioner of the Olympic Club, requesting permission to practice on Southside Playground on Thursday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m. Ordered filed, and the permission having been granted.

From the third group of guests at the Municipal Camp expressing appreciation of the camp and the Hetch Hetchy project. The letter is signed by every individual on the excursion.

The request of the United States Steel Products Company, for the use of the Jackson basketball court from 5 to 7 p.m., ordered filed, the request being granted.

From the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, stating the club is getting anxious about the opening of Funston Field House.

The question of Funston Field House being used by Industrial groups for basketball was discussed, and the charge of a nominal rental was referred to Mr. Henry B. Mills for investigation and action.

The Secretary was directed to prepare a schedule whereby playground groups and P.S.A.L. groups might all be taken care of between the Sacramento Street Building, Jackson, and Funston Field Houses.

A discussion of the appointment of the director for Funston Field House led to a suggestion from Mr. Dohrmann that the Play Committee again see both candidates, and make the appointment at the next meeting of the Commission. Mr. Auger moved that the Play Committee make the appointment in the usual way.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $597.78 on Demands #4 and #5 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m. until Wednesday, August 27th, at 2 p.m. at which time the Commission will hold an adjourned meeting on unfinished business of meeting of this date.

Secretary

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San Francisco,

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San Francisco, August 27, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The adjourned meeting of August 20th of the Playground Commission was called to order this date at the hour of 2 P.M.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley
Mr. Henery B. Mills
Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Fred Dohrmann, Jr.
Mr. C.J. Auger

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read

To complete the unfinished business of the last regular meeting, i.e. a resegration of activities of the department to determine whether or not the present program could be arranged to permit a division in the direction of activities.

An exchange of ideas and a discussion of the present activities resulted in a concensus of opinion that in as much as the commission deemed it advisable to curtail activities - the program in its present scope was limited.

Miss Heyneman expressed a desire to be granted a years leave of absence because of limited activities.

On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Auger, the request was granted.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p.m.

B. Philomena Hagan
Exec. Secretary

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San Francisco,

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San Francisco, September 2, 1924.

S P E C I A L M E E T I N G

at 11:10A.M.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day for the purpose of making a study of the proposed Charter Amendment for the consolidation of the Park and Playground Commissions into one Commission.

The following letter was drafted and the Secretary directed to forward same to Supervisor Bath, Chairman Judiciary Committee, Board of Supervisors, and to send copies to His Honor, James Rolph Jr., Miss Margaret Mary Morgan, Chairman Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors, and to all members of the Playground Commission.

September 2, 1924.

Honorable Edwin G. Bath,
Chairman Judiciary Committee,
Board of Supervisors, City and County of S.F.

My dear Sir:-

At a special meeting of the Playground Commission of San Francisco, duly called and held this day, I was instructed to submit to your committee the following comments on the proposed amendment to the Charter relative to the consolidation of the Park and Playground Commissions.

Without committing the members of the Playground Commission to any expression of approval or disapproval of this proposal in its entirety at this moment, it is felt that the following points are properly subject for consideration and revision in the proposed amendment:

Section 4. The amendment makes no provision for either an increase in the present number of Park Commissioners, which is five, to allow for a representative from the Board of Education, and one to represent the Playground Commission.

Past experience has shown the great value of the liason between the Playground and Education Commissions of the city, and it would appear a very serious defect in the amendment not to continue this. There are many pieces of school property in the city now under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education which have been and in all probability will be more or less at the disposal of the Playground Commission in the future, if this present organization is maintained. This means that many such pieces of property can be used for playgrounds and recreational activities without investment by the city in lands. It is the judgment of the members of the Playground Commission that there should be a direct connection between the proposed Park Commission and the Department of Education by adding to the Board of Commissioners one who shall be a member of the Board of Education, preferably its president.

There are also many reasons why, in the judgment of the Playground Commission, there should be an additional member to the proposed Park Commission, representing directly and actively, playground and recreational work. The department of playgrounds in San Francisco has been built up into a large and well conducted activity of greatest importance to the city and its people. By virtue of the past experience and history of thePlayground Commission it is self-evident that its personnel and staff are thoroughly familiar with its present and future needs and such knowledge and experience should of course be of inestimable value to any Commission. It is therefore most strongly recommended and urged that the proposed amendment include an addition of two members to the present number, as stated herein.

Section 11. The proposed amendment provides that the Supervisor "shall provide all necessary money for the maintenance, preservation and improvement", etc. It also provides that the tax shall be not less than sixteen or more than twenty cents on each one hundred dollars assessed. It is strongly felt by the members of this commission that a clause should be contained herein specifying a certain minimum pro-rata of the tax money available, to be devoted exclusively to playgrounds and related activities, if this amendment be adopted. Otherwise, with all due respect, there is danger that playground activities might be made to suffer in every way, particularly when some very large project might be involved.

Section 6a. Under this provision the Supervisors will be granted power to take over, on their own volition and by their own power only, any public lands in the City and County at the time not occupied by public buildings, and devote them to park and recreation purposes. We urge that there be inserted in this paragraph a clause stating as follows: "Excepting parcels of land now under the control of the Board of Education, and/or the Board of Fire Commissioners, and/or the Board of Public Works, and/or any other department of the government of the City and County of San Francisco; provided that, with the consent of the respective Board or Commission, such land may be turned over to the Park Commission, either temporarily or permanently, and not otherwise."

There is not, as far as we can see, in the last paragraph or any other in the proposed amendment any provision, if this amendment is adopted, that the Park Commission is obligated to carry on any kind of playground or recreational activities; and on the contrary, it appears to us that it leaves the matter entirely to the option and judgment of the members of the Park Commission whether they shall conduct now or at any future time, any such activities whatever; and if so, whether same shall be conducted by the staff of the present Playground Commission or not.

It is not to be understood that the above is an approval or disapproval

of this proposed amendment by the members of the Playground Commission

Very truly yours,

(Signed) M.Philomene Hagan
Executive Secretary

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 11:55 A.M.

M. Philomene Hagan.
Exec. Secretary

San Francisco, September 3, 1924.

M E E T I N G

Notices for the regular meeting of the Playground Commission failed to record a quorum--therefore, those members present sat as a minority board.

Present Rev. D.O. Crowley,
Mr. C.J. Auger,
Mr. Fred Dohrmann, Jr.

Absent Mrs. S. Stern,
Mrs. M. Pollok,
Mr. H. B. Mills,
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meetings, i.e. adjourned, August 20th, August 27th, September 2nd, were approved as read.

A communication from J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, notifying the Playground Commission of a special meeting of the Judiciary Committee on September 3rd, for the purpose of considering the amalgamation of the Parks and Playgrounds. Duly recorded, the Secretary having sent notices to the members of the Playground Commission.

A communication from the fourth group of campers who enjoyed the outing at Mather, expressing commendation and appreciation of the Camp. Ordered filed the Secretary having acknowledged receipt of same.

A communication from Daniel A. Ryan, placing an application for a position as director with the Playground Commission.

From the Athletic Director of the Bank of California endorsing the use of Funston Field House Basketball Court by the I.A.A. of which the Bank of California is a member. Ordered filed.

From the Volley Ball Club of Glen Park, asking the Playground Commission to be responsible for the completion of the Volley Ball Court, on which the Club has expended $40.00.

The Secretary was directed to ascertain the cost of completing the court and to report said cost to the Commission at its next regular meeting.

The Secretary announced the annual Swimming Meet for Boys, on Saturday, September 13, 1924, at North Beach Tank.

Mr. Mooney, reporting on the proposed roofing of the field house at Southside, stated that:

H.H. Robertson Co. proposed to furnish all necessary 24 gauge corrugated maroon colored Robertson Asbestos Protected Metal Roofing complete with necessary Ridge Cap and Valley flashings, together with special mushroom head fasteners for the sum of $359.00 as per their quotation #451, date of August 27, 1924.

The Herbert M. Holway Co. submit a proposal of $359.00, for delivery to the playground of all necessary Robertson material for re-roofing the field house at 7th and Harrison and to erect (on roof cleared by Playground Commission) for the sum of $113.00. They further propose for the sum of $10.00 to coat the flat roof surface with black semi-fibre cement. Date of August 27, 1924.

The Johns Manville Co. propose to furnish and apply No.5 5" x 10" Gray Transite Asbestos Shingle for the sum of $598.00--in red or brown for the additional sum of $50.00.

They further propose to furnish J.M. Flexstone Slate-surfaced asbestos shingles in red, green, or blue black including Class "B" built up asbestos roofing on flat deck for the sum of $320.00. Quotation of August 26, 1924.

The John Bender roofing and paving Co. propose to furnish all labor and materials for asbestos Rigid Shingles for laying a 5 ply roof on the flat section, all for the sum of $560.00. (Present roof to be cleared by the Playground Commission) Quotation of August 26, 1924.

It was suggested that Mr. Mooney further investigate the wearing qualities of the various types of roofing proposed, and report at the next meeting of the Playground Commission.

Reporting on swings, Mr. Mooney reported the Patterson Williams Co. of San Jose quote a price of $7.00 per swing complete F.O.B. San Francisco for immediate delivery.

A.C. Spalding & Bros. a price of $6.75 per swing without clamps.

Mr. Mooney reported the Patterson Williams swing as most satisfactory and was, on motion of Mr. Auger seconded by Mr. Dohrmann, authorized to purchase the necessary swings, namely forty-eight in number.

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Mrs. Andrews from the Glen Park District appeared before the Commission to ask that the Board reconsider their action in closing the Glen Park Auditorium to the basketball groups in particular.

The Board promised to take the question under advisement.

Bills and current expenses to date amounting to $2500.68 were approved and ordered paid.

Respectfully submitted

M. Philomene Hagan.

Executive Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. September 17, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:17 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Henry B.Mills;
Mr. C.J.Auger;
Mr.Fred Dohrmann.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr.JohnMcLaren

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

From A.A.Tremp, Manager California Industries Exposition inviting the participation of the Playground Commission in the City's exhibit. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to make the necessary arrangements. Mr. Dohrmann suggested that we cooperate with the Board of Education as far as possible with a view in saving on the cost of installing the exhibit.

From the Pacific Better Homes Exposition inviting the Playground Commission to take part in the program on the day known as Playground Day, i.e. Saturday, October 11, 1924. :Participation in the program approved and the Secretary directed to arrange the program.

From the Basketball Manager of the Standard Oil Employees'Association requesting permission to practice basketball at Funston Field House. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to make such arrangements, if possible.

From Mr R.W.Allen, Camp Manager, reporting the closing of the Summer Camp at Mather. Ordered filed.

From M.S.Polin, Athletic Committee of the Associated Oil, asking for the use of Funston Basketball Court.Ordered filed.

From Mrs. A.I.Forrest expressing appreciation of the Summer Camp at Mather.

From Adjutant General Harrison Hall, responding to our letter relative to soldiers loitering on Funston Playground, and assuring the Commission of the cooperation of the 9th Army Corps in remedying the condition.

From the Glen Park Volleyball Club asking the Commission to surface the Volleyball Court. Ordered filed.

From Mr.J.McLaren, acknowledging receipt of communication from this office enclosing notification of the meeting of the Judiciary Committee.

From the Board of Education announcing the 18th Annual Swimming Meet of the P.S.A.L. at Sutro Baths on Saturday, September 27th, 1924.

From Anna S. Johnstone expressing appreciation of Camp. Ordered filed.

From W. and J.Sloane asking information relative to furnishing Funston Field House.

The President appointed Mrs. Pollok and Miss Hagan a committee of two to select the minimum furnishing for the offices of the directors at Funston.

A letter from Mrs. Leopold, 2299 Sacramento Street, complaining that boys were not permitted to play baseball at LaFayette Square was referred to the Park Commission.

From Mr.A.H.McGregor, Commissioner of the Barbarian Club, thanking the Playground Commission for its courtesy in providing a playing space for their Soccer games, ordered filed.

Mrs. Mrs. Anne Godfrey, Secretary-Treasurer of the Americanization Citizenship Council of the U.S.Dept of Labor, asking the Commission to send a representative to the luncheon meeting at the Bellevue Hotel on Thursday, September 18, 1924. Ordered filed.

The Secretary reported that the Girls'swimming meet was scheduled for Saturday, September 20th, at Mission Tank at 1:30 P.M.

The Superintendent reported that upon investigation of the standing and reliability of the firms bidding on the roof repairing at Southside, the firm of H.H.Robertson in the Hobart Building was found satisfactory. Therefore their bid of $472.00 including cost of material and labor was on motion of Mr.Dohrmann, seconded by C.J.Auger, accepted and the Superintendent instructed to so notify H.H.Robertson Co.

In discussing the fence at the James Rolph Jr. Playground, Mr.Mahoney reported that he had received a figure of $498.00 from the West Coast Iron Works for the erection and completion of a fence as per their quotation under date of May 20, 1924, and a price of $475.00 from C.A.Love and Sons. On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Superintendent was directed to proceed with the work provided the figures were acceptable to Mr.H.B.Mills.

Mr. Thomas F.Boyle appeared with Mr. Kane, as a committee from the Golden

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Gate Valley Improvement Association, asking when the field house at Funston was to be ready for the use of the people using the playing field. Mr. Hernan, as a representative of the same organization, spoke before the Commission for the same purpose. The three gentlemen were assured that the building would undoubtedly be ready in about three weeks or about October 15th, and the Secretary was directed to notify the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association accordingly.

The following amendment was drawn up with the assistance of City Attorney George Lull, and on motion of Mr. C.J.Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, the Secretary was directed to forward same in a letter to Supervisor Angelo J. Rossi with a request that he present same for the Playground Commission to the Judiciary Committee.

A M E N D M E N T

AMEND SECTION 10 of ARTICLE XIV A to read as follows:

Sec. 10. The Supervisors shall, for the purchase, development, equipment and maintenance of the aforesaid playgrounds and recreation centers, annually appropriate to the Playground Commissioners at the time of making the Budget such amount as may in their judgment be necessary or proper, provided that such amount shall not be less than five cents upon each one hundred dollars assessed valuation upon all property in the City and County of San Francisco not exempt from taxation; and the funds so appropriated shall be credited to the Playground Fund of the General Fund, and the Playground Commissioners shall have the exclusive management and disbursement of the same.

The Secretary shall keep a full account of all property, money, receipts and expenditures and a record of all proceedings of the Commissioners. The votes of all its members shall be recorded in the minutes with the ayes and noes.

The Secretary was directed to address a letter of thanks to Andrew J. Gallagher and Mr. John O'Connell for the assistance given by both gentlemen to the Playground Commission on the question of the proposed Charter Amendment.

The Secretary requested permission to arrange for basketball practice at Glen Park and Jackson Playgrounds at night, for the boys in the vicinity of both playgrounds. The Secretary reported it would help in the General city wide move to keep boys from 16 to 25 occupied in healthful amusements. Permission granted, and the Secretary directed to make the necessary arrangements.

Bills and current expenses on Demands #8, 9, and 10, amounting to $2811.79 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:25 p.m.

B. Lilomen Auger
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 1, 1914.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., President Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Mildred C. Pollok;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Henry D.Mills;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from D.J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, thanking the Secretary for having furnished a list of the playgrounds to the Police Department.

Several communications have been received from the playground and Recreation Association of America relative to the coming recreation congress, recreation programs, and a notable article which would, published Sunday's Post. Ordered filed.

From W. Feintuch of the Multiplex Fixture Company, expressing the interest and willingness to give service in the placement building of the children of the playgrounds, and especially calling attention of his interest in the movement started by the Police Department. Ordered filed.

Communication from Mr. Chas. J. Boyle, Auditor, asking me to inform him immediately whenever a death occurs in the staff of this department. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to respond thereto.

Communication from the Kelly Mfg. Co. of Baldwin City, Kansas, relating to the installation of some of their playground apparatus on the city's playgrounds. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to acknowledge receipt of same.

A written complaint was received from several of the neighbors of the Jesse Lick Schoolyard Playground relative to the unsightly condition of this ground. The consensus of opinion was that it is inappropriate to have any children in the equipment having in mind the contagious diseases to which children are subject. That we will continue to use that playground for school purposes. Ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to direct a communication to the trustees of the committee.

Communication received from the Corresponding Secretary of the Sloat Park Improvement Club, requesting permission to use the park auditorium for a meeting. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify them that permission is granted.

From Mr. Jay Downing, Secretary of Athletics, commending the assistance in on the Tan Bark Ring for the Boxing Exhibitions. Ordered filed.

In discussing the Playground Commission Annual, Mrs. Pollok moved that it was decided to [illegible] the distribution of the same, which motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, was carried, authorizing the Majestic Printing Company, [illegible] printed, the price for this being [illegible].

The Commission further went on record to extend its thanks to the management of the Panama Pacific International Exposition for the management of the meeting held in the Festival Hall, and the park generally, during the month of September. The California Club was the first, and the park generally, city. The California Club was the first, and the park generally, city.

The Commission [illegible] on the Saturday before election [illegible] ground Amendment. The Secretary was instructed to see Mr. Coleman in regard publicity, through the medium of the schools.

On motion of Mr. John McLaren, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the Chairman of the Grounds Committee was authorized to advertise for bids for the laying of a [illegible] cover this work, not to exceed $[illegible].

Under new business, Mrs. Pollok reported that she had been making a survey of the Chinatown Section, at the request of the Mayor, with a view to finding a suitable location for a playground. Mr. Auger of the Board of Supervisors has also expressed his willingness to help Mrs. Pollok, and will [illegible] continue the investigation, and to report [illegible] mission.

The Secretary, reporting for the Field Committee's Chairman, stated that Directors at Funston are Miss Cielle Harris [illegible], and the last, Director, Joseph Cronin.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and unanimously carried, the Secretary was authorized to make all necessary arrangements for the [illegible] ing of the two director's rooms at Funston Field House, the cost not to exceed $125.00

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On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the Secretary was authorized to have Mr. Stetham repair the piano which is now at the Playground Club House, and then to have it removed to Funston Playground.

On discussing the contemplated erection of a fence on the Potrero Avenue side of the James Rolph Jr. Playground, it was decided to hold this matter in abeyance.

Bills and current expenses on Demands #11, and 12, amounting to $1,371.61, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 5:41 p.m.

M. Philomene Hogan
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco. October 15, 1934.

MEETING

Notices for the regular meeting of the Playground Commission on Wednesday, October 15th, failed to record a quorum. Therefore those members present sat as a minority board, all actions to be subject to approval at the next regular meeting.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley
Mr. Constant J. Auger

Absent: Fred Dohrmann Jr.
Henry B. Mills
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Auger, seconded by Father Crowley, approved as read.

Delegation

A delegation from the James Lick School District called in to see what the Playground Commission could do to relieve the unsightly condition existing on the schoolyard property. After a detailed discussion, the two members of the Commission who were present decided to investigate the situation and report back to the Commission at its next meeting. In the mean time, however, the Chairman urged the delegation to appear before the Board of Supervisors to see if it is possible to get a sufficient appropriation from that body to make the necessary improvements.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Auditor, Thos. F. Boyle, who was requested by the neighborhood people to make inquiry about the installation of a flag pole at Funston Playground. Ordered filed.

The soccer schedule of the S.F.A.A.U. was received and ordered filed.

The Park Commission acknowledged receipt of our letter of September 6th. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Retirement Board calling our attention to the fact that Mr. Con Callaghan had reached the age for retirement. Ordered filed, and the president to notify the person concerned.

The chairman mentioned the name of Mr. McGuire formerly a construction man at the Union Iron Works who might be suited to fill the vacancy created by virtue of Mr. Callaghan's retirement. If satisfactory to the Commission, he is to secure the appointment.

A letter was received from Mrs. M.C.Alves, Secretary Glen Park Community Club asking to have additional lights installed at Glen Park. Ordered filed, and the Superintendent was instructed to make the necessary investigation for installing more lights and to so arrange the laborer's hours that he can be in attendance the evenings their Club meets.

The Public Schools Athletic League basketball schedule was received and ordered filed.

A communication was received from D.W.Nealan, Superintendent of Public Buildings giving an estimate of $500 for the construction of a tar dust wall around Funston Park. Ordered filed, the Secretary being authorized to communicate with Mr. Reid, the City Architect, and notify him to have the Department of Public Works proceed with the work.

A communication was received from Mr. John M. Quinn of the Boy Scouts regarding a small fire that the boys discovered in the handball court storeroom at Jackson Playground. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. C.L.Murphey of A.G.Spalding enclosing the basketball schedule to be played at Funston Field House. Ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported that the cost of a 30' metal flagpole would cost between $150 or $200 complete. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Father Crowley, the Superintendent is to communicate with Mr. Reid, the City Architect, regarding the height and position of the flagpole and to report back at the next meeting, and the Secretary to notify Mr. Boyle that action is being taken.

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The Secretary reported that the posts in the Funston Field House Gymnasium will have to be furred out in order to avoid the possibility of accidents occuring while the basketball games are in progress. The Secretary was therefore authorized to send a communication to Mr. Reid and secure a price for this work.

The Secretary requested permission to have the services of Miss Isabel Letham during the winter months, on miscellaneous work, primarily in connection with Christmas festivities and the May Pageant. Permission granted.

The Superintendent was instructed to have Mr. Duffey stain the walls of the directors' rooms at Funston just as soon as his time is free.

The Chairman announced that there would be a meeting of the Commission on Friday morning, October 17th at 10:30 a.m. in regard to inaugurating a publicity campaign for the Playground Amendment #42.

The Superintendent further reported that the wiring of the tennis and basketball courts is being done at Glen Park.

On motion of Mr. Constant J. Auger, seconded by Father Crowley, bills and current expenses on Demands #13, 14, and 15 amounting to $2548.65 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:10 p.m.

B. Philomene Hagan
Exec. Secretary.

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San Francisco. November 5, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:10 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry E. Mills;
Constant J. Auger;
Mrs. Mildred F. Pollok.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Fred Dohrmann Jr.;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meetings on motion of Mr. Henry E. Mills, seconded by Mr. Constant J. Auger, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Elwin E. Warner, Secretary Parks and Playground Commission of Burlingame asking for rules and regulations governing the S. F. Playgrounds. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to respond.

A communication was received from Miss Helen Thom of Sunset, asking for information concerning the swimming pools in our department. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to respond.

Communication was received from Employers' Indemnity Corporation calling attention to the replacement of a window in the Marshall Square. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond.

A communication was received from John C. Neubauer, Managing Director S.F. Boys' Club, thanking the Secretary for the cooperation of this department in fulfilling a request of his for the use of Hyde Hill Playgrounds. Ordered filed.

Communication received from Mr. Dahl Hardy[illegible] in accordance with our request that the work of furnishing the posts in the Funston Field House had been let to a Mr. A.J.Gough. Ordered filed.

Communication received from Mr. A.F.A.Meyer, Secretary of the Independent Winter League, announcing their league is going, and giving the names of the clubs participating. Ordered filed, and the Secretary reporting the baseball had been taken care of.

Communication was received from Mr. M. Sheffel, 2[illegible] Street, notifying this Commission that a building is to be erected on the property adjacent to Sheilds Heights Playground, and that it will be necessary for us to protect our property. Ordered filed, and the Superintendent instructed to take the necessary steps for proper protection of the property.

A communication was received from Mr. F. Mc[illegible], Treasurer Mid-Winter League notifying the [illegible] completed their league. Ordered filed.

Communication was received from Miss A[illegible] thanking the Department for the assistance given the Girls Drum Corps. Ordered filed.

The Superintendent, on motion of Mr. C.F.Arnold, seconded by Henry E. Mills, was instructed to complete the [illegible] of a [illegible] on Dolores Playground at the approach to [illegible] Street.

The Superintendent was further instructed to [illegible] the [illegible] of clipping the [illegible] Playground with a [illegible] pole.

A communication was received from the Outdoor Representatives of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, asking that their quarterly publication over one of the sections of the [illegible] be sent to them. It was so ordered and a copy on the [illegible] was received. Ordered filed.

It was the consensus of opinion that Miss Helen Ingersoll, the Community Secretary at the Recreation Conference to be held in [illegible] next week, [illegible] the Commissioners [illegible] Conference.

A suggestion was made by Mr. C.F.Arnold, that a committee [illegible] duty it would be to outline a policy for the [illegible] department in view of the fact that Amendment #42 has been passed.

The first check for the benefit of Funston Field House has been received and deposited with the Treasurer to the credit of the [illegible] account, the check being from the Industrial Athletic Association [illegible] $50.00.

On motion of Mr. Henry E. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger, bills on Demands 13a,14t,and 15a, amounting to $6703.00 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:10 p.m.

B. Philomene Hagan
Exec. Secretary.

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San Francisco,

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San Francisco, November 19, 1924.

M E E T I N G

Notices having been sent out for a regular meeting of theCommission, failed to record a quorum. Those Commissioners who came to the meeting adjourned in order to visit the Funston Field House.

M. Philomene Hagen
Executive Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 3, 1914.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m. with the President, Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Constant J. Mager;
Henry B. Mills;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.;

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs Mildred J. Pelton.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the two previous meetings were approved as read.

In discussing the purchase of the Mission Playground property, it was deemed necessary to secure a copy of the contract from Mr. Curley of the City Attorney's Office. It was also the concensus of opinion that a Communication be forwarded to Mrs. Swift asking, in view of the fact that the purchase of the Swift property had been consummated, that Mrs. Swift accept the rental for January and February 1914 at the rate of $300.00 per month in place of the rate of $600.00 which the Playground Commission is not in a position to meet at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Miss Nita B. Keller of Salem, N. C., inquiring about the possibility of securing work during the winter months. Ordered filed, the Secretary having responded thereto.

A communication was received from Mrs. Mordecai of the Belden Flats Valley Improvement Association in regard to facilities at Funston. Ordered filed, the matter having been attended to.

Communication was received from John H. Haight of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee enclosing a petition from the Sandalow Parent Teachers' Association for a playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond.

Communication was received from Mrs. O'Donnell of 1774 Fifth Avenue offering for sale property in the vicinity of Daniels and 15th Ave. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to answer the communication.

A communication was received from John C. Neubauer, Managing Director S.F.Boys' Club thanking this Department for [illegible] of their baseball request for next year. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Charles C.Moore, President S.F.District Boy Scouts of America inviting the Commission to the [illegible] Circus to be held Friday evening, December 4th in the Civic Auditorium.

A copy of the letter sent to Mrs. Norris of the Board of Education re Mrs. Mary Morgan, regarding the Cook Lick Schools Playground, was received and ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. Leo D. Ahrens, 300 Clipper Street, Chairman Playground Committee Parent Teachers' Association, requesting [illegible] the Commission to [illegible] Ordered Filed, the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee stating that the Secretary, steps be taken to dedicate this ground in order that [illegible] jurisdiction over it.

A communication was received from French Fischer, Sec. Federation of Civic Organizations regarding facilities at Funston. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond thereto.

A communication was received from Mrs. W.L.Calkins, Mrs. Ingleside Improvement Club petitioning for a [illegible] by the Ingleside District. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond thereto.

Communication was received from [illegible] of the Playground and Recreation Association of America [illegible] for that organization three conference papers. Ordered filed.

Major Lyman, Western representative of the Playground and Recreation Association was a visitor at the meeting of the Commission on [illegible], extending to the board the greetings of the National Association.

The Secretary reported:- 1. The close of the season's tournament, --the series having been won by [illegible] in Div.I. and Funston I Div. II.

2. The opening of the season entered.

Dec. 5- That Christmas plans include [illegible] Dec. 17th, Playground, [illegible] Dec. 20th, Jackson, Dec. 20th, [illegible] Dec. 19th, North Beach Dec. 20th, Ingleside Dec. 19th, Funston Dec. 22nd, and Glen Park Dec. 17th.

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In discussing the possibility of purchasing a Ford truck for the department, it was decided to hold this request in abeyance. The Superintendent was instructed to secure a contract for draying from several of the drayage concerns and report back at the next meeting.

The Superintendent reported that the baseball diamond is nearing completion at Funston. He also reported that the price for a 37' steel flagpole from the Holway Co. will cost $90.00, and that the cost of a 37' wooden flagpole set in concrete will cost between $60 and $70. On motion of Mr. Henry B.Mills, seconded by Mr. Fred Dohrmann, and carried, it was decided to erect a wooden flagpole similar to the one erected recently in Mission Park.

In discussing the fencing at James Rolph Jr. Playground, it was the consensus of opinion that redwood posts should be erected and that a square mesh wire similar to that at Richmond Playground be put up. On motion of Mr. Auger seconded by Mr. Dohrmann and carried, the Grounds Committee is given full power to act on the erection of the fence.

With regard to Presidio Heights Playground the Superintendent was authorized for the sum of $60.00 to put up the fence as soon as the owner of the property adjacent to the playground completes his retaining wall.

In mentioning the program of the Playground Department with respect to future expansion it was regularly moved and carried to have a special committee meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 10th at 2 p.m. at which meeting one member of the City Planning Committee, one member of the Engineer's Office, and Mr. Henry of the Bureau of Governmental Research would be present. It was also the decision of the Committee that at their next regular meeting, i.e. Dec. 17th, certain designated parties be invited to attend, at which time the expansion program will be open for discussion.

Bills and current expenses on Demands #16, 17, 18 and 19 amounting to $2941.89 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the Commission adjourned at the hour of 3:25 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 17, 1924.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p. m., Rev. J.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.C.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Simmond Stern;
Fred Dohrmann Jr.

Absent: Mrs. Mildred J. Pelleh;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. C.J.Auger.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting on motion of Mr. H.B.Mills seconded by Mrs. Stern, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. D.L.Ivy representing the Independent Baseball League asking for a continuation of their schedule until February 8th. Ordered filed, the Secretary having made the necessary arrangements.

A communication was received from Dozier, Kimball and Dozier notifying this department that the rental of the Mission property is to be the same as originally stipulated, i.e. $1000 covering the two months of January and February 1924. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to communicate with Mr. Dozier in accordance with the following motion. On motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills and unanimously carried we are to pay the sum of $500 at this time, and the balance of $500 in July 1925.

A communication was received from J.S.Meyers, Clerk of the Education, Park and Playgrounds Committee enclosing a communication from the University Mound District. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to communicate with Supervisor Wetmore, Chairman of the Public Buildings and Lands Committee to determine the status of this particular property inasmuch as the Playground Commission has no official authority over same.

A communication was received from Thomas F. Boyle, City Auditor, requesting that the December Pay Rolls be sent down early in the month in order that the employees may be paid before Xmas. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Ralph Nelson, Secretary and Actuary, Retirement System, notifying us that Mr. August Wrede will be retired commencing January 1, 1925. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to notify Mr. Wrede.

The Superintendent reported that next week a flagpole will be erected by L. Phillip Schneider and Son, at Funston Playground. He also reported that the planting of trees and shrubbery at Funston has been completed, and the erection of the baseball backstop is nearing completion.

The Superintendent further reported that the approach on the corner of Lower Height St. and Sunset Blvd. is to be completed by the following firms:

Fountain and Shrubs
[illegible]
Steel Chain Work and Iron Posts
Wire and Labor

The Superintendent also reported that the fence at Presidio Heights will be replaced very soon.

In discussing the program for the Playground Department, it was felt by Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee with power to act.

In discussing the baseball situation, a motion of Mr. Dohrmann, seconded by Mr. Mills, was carried, the substance being that the $500 appropriated be set aside in a special account to be used exclusively for baseball purposes.

The Secretary reported that on Dec. 10th a special conference there in order to the Board. In addition to the Commission, there were present, the Commissioner, the Commissioner, in view of the fact that several [illegible] in Presidio Heights, will help to pay for the [illegible] the amount not to exceed $500.00.

The Secretary reported that [illegible] every one of the Playgrounds [illegible] and [illegible] and present and [illegible]

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Mr. Dohrmann gave a review of the special meeting of the Commission, and presented a report that he had received from Mr. Munry of the Bureau of Governmental Research. On motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Secretary is to thank Mr. Munry for his report.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $687.16 on Demand 20 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan
Executive Secretary.

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San Francisco. January 14, 1915.

REGULAR

The annual meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:10 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. Alfred I. Seberg
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Constant J. Auger

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting of the Commission were on motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved as read.

The Chairman then announced that nominations were in order for the President of the Commission.

On the nomination of Mrs. Pollok which was seconded by Mr. Auger, Rev. D.O.Crowley was unanimously reelected as President of the Commission for the year 1915.

The Chairman next announced that nominations were next in order for the Vice-president. On the nomination of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. McLaren, Mr. Mills was unanimously reelected Vice-president of the Playground Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Miss Hare inviting the Commissioners to attend the semi-annual rally to be held at Hamilton Playground, Friday, January 15th at 12:45 p.m. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Spring Valley School Mothers' Club asking that the Commission provide the land adjacent to Spring Valley Playground for play purposes. Ordered filed and the Secretary to respond that the Commission will consider this request when the future plans of the Department are determined.

Communication was received from the Forest Hill Association urging the Commission to set aside a portion of site for the establishment of a playground in the West of Twin Peaks District. Ordered filed and the Secretary to notify them we will keep this request in mind when making definite plans for the future.

A communication was received from the California Conference of Social Work regarding [illegible] uses in the recreation. On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the reading of the communication was filed.

In discussing a survey to be made of the City, the Chairman and Mr. McLaren were appointed to secure a map of San Francisco and the services of a draftsman, through the City Engineer's Office.

Mr. Seberg advised the Commission that the maps on hand in the Board of Education would be at the disposal of the Commission.

The Superintendent reported that the baseball backstop at Fulton Playground had been completed, and that the flag pole had been erected. He further reported that the fence at Jones Annex Playground will be completed whenever the wire is received from the city.

Mrs. Pollok reported that she would be present at a meeting on Friday, January 15th in regard to the establishment of a playground in Chinatown. At this meeting the Chinese dignitaries are to be present, and they will let her know what cooperation she may expect. The Chairman directed that the Commission is in accord with the establishment of a playground in Chinatown.

Bills and current expenses in amounts of $1.00 to $5.00, amounting to $3885.72 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of [illegible] P.M.

M. Philomene Hagan
Asst. Secretary.

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San Francisco. January 28, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 4:00 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Mrs. Mildred F. Pollok;
Mr. Henry H. Mills;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Constant J. Anger

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Alfred J. Eisberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Anger, approved as read.

Representatives and Delegations

Mrs. L.D.Sumer of 78 Grovelnd Street spoke in the interest of the Excelsior Valley District for the establishment of a playground in that section, and referred to a petition which had been sent to the Commission. The proposed site is bounded by Cassilli, Darrore, Tukon and Ingle Streets. On motion of Mr. Henry H. Mills seconded by Mr. Constant J. Anger and carried, the Grounds Committee is to investigate the site and to report back at the next Commission meeting.

Two representatives called in regarding the James Lick Schoolyard Playground which was turned over by the Board of Supervisors to this Commission under date of Dec. 31, 1924, Resolution No. 21875 and which is to be known as the Noe Valley Playground.100.' on Clipper Street, 114' on Noe Street. On motion of Mr. Henry H. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Mildred Pollok, and carried, the grounds committee is to look over the site and suggest any work that can be done at this time.

COMMITTEES

The Chairman announced the following committees for 1925:

Finance: Constant J. Anger
Henry H. Mills
Mildred F. Pollok

Grounds: John McLaren
Rev. D.O.Crowley
Mrs. Sigmund Stern

Play: Henry H. Mills
Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mrs. Sigmund Stern

Without any title: Mrs. Mildred F. Pollok.

On motion of Mr. Constant J. Anger, seconded by Mr. Mills the committees were unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE

A communication was received from Earl P. Cooperrider regarding improvements at the Larsen Park Playground. Ordered filed. Same replied will be investigated, and fair attention will be given.

A communication was received from Mrs. Grace P. Wilcox and Assistant head nurses at the San Mateo Tuberculosis Clinic inquiring about the playground in that vicinity. Ordered filed and the secretary is instructed that the Board of Supervisors have transferred all of this department under jurisdiction, Rec. No. 1241. That piece of land donated by William. Hamilton, Talbot and Crocker Estates for playground purposes.

Communication was received from Miss Grace Parker, Girl Reserve Secretary of Northern California inquiring the feasibility of giving a talk at the Girl Reserves. Ordered filed, and the secretary to communicate with Miss Wilcox with reference.

A communication was received from the Board of Managers of the N.C. Protestant Orphanage inviting the Commission to a Conference on Saturday, January 31, 1925. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to acknowledge the with thanks.

A communication was received from Mrs. F. Heller, City Grain Merchant to the Mayor, requesting site owners of property available to sell to be acquired for playground purposes. Ordered filed, and Mr. Mills was appointed to see Mr. Meyer.

A communication was received from Ralph P. Stone, Secretary of the Retirement Board calling our attention to the election being held by their department. Ordered filed.

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A communication was received from Miss Hulda Popper regarding compensation. The Commission declined to honor the request. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond thereto.

A letter was received from Mr. T.E.Farrow, Manager of the Yosemite National Park Co. regarding an offer to sell the Hetch Hetchy Lodge. Ordered filed, the matter having been referred to the Chairman of the Summer Camp Committee, i.e. Mr. Constant J. Auger.

A communication was received from the laborers of this department requesting an increase in salary. Ordered filed, the Commission declining to honor an increase.

A communication was received from Mrs. Calhan, Secretary of the Ingleside Improvement Club asking that they be notified as to when a committee may appear before the Commission in the interest of the establishment of a playground in the Ingleside District.

A communication was received regarding Louis Paganetti who is seeking employment on the laboring staff. Ordered filed, and when there is a vacancy his application will receive due consideration.

Mr. Mills reported that he and the president had called in at the Engineer's Office and that we are to have the services of an expert draftsman in connection with the survey. This draftsman is to be free to give full time if the Commission so wishes, and there is to be no cost to this department. The Secretary was asked to have him see Mr. Mills and to report at our Commission meetings.

The Superintendent reported the wire for the Jas. Rolph Jr. fence is due from the East very soon, and the fence will therefore be completed in the near future. The backstop and fence at Excelsior Playground have been repaired. The basketball goals at North Beach, M.S.Hayward and Spring Valley have also been repaired. The Superintendent further reported a shower has been installed in the Southside Field House.

The Secretary made inquiry about the dedication of Funston Playground. She was asked to ascertain just when the Mayor would be in the city in order that he might be present on the date to be set for such dedication.

The Secretary further reported that it will be necessary to replenish our supply of swimming suits this season, and that prices will have to be secured at this season of the year. The Commission therefore authorized her to proceed with the necessary arrangements.

The Secretary reported that on Resolution No. 23508 under date of January 16th, that piece of land bounded by Keith and Carrol, Third and Armstrong Ave. and known as Bay View, was transferred to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission.

The Secretary was instructed to make investigations regarding Cumberland Street which runs through the Mission Playground property and to make an effort to have same closed in order to keep machines out of that section of the ground.

On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, Mr. Rossi is to be invited to attend the Commission meetings and give any assistance possible in connection with the future development of the department.

On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, a telegram is to be sent Mrs. Rolph re. her son James.

On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, a letter of sympathy is to be sent Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Mrs. Pollok reported that she is to be present at a meeting on Friday regarding the establishment of a playground in Chinatown.

On motion of Mr.H.B.Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, Demand No. [illegible] amounting to $[illegible] was approved and ordered paid.

Meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

M. Theresa Hagan

Executive Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 11, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley
Mrs. M.J.Pollok
Constant J. Auger
John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Alfred Esberg
Mr. H.B.Mills

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting, on motion of Mr. C.J.Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

Representatives of Districts

Mr. Calish representing the Oceanside District reported that Mr. Larson the real estate owner has named a price for that property which was proposed as a playground site in that district. In asking that the Commission establish a playground in this district in the near future, the Chairman urged Mr. Calish to have a delegation appear before the Supervisors in order to hasten action.

A delegation from the Sunnyside District called regarding a request which was submitted in writing i.e. to have the playground at Balboa Park supervised, and also to equip the playground with more apparatus, especially that side fronting on Genessee Street. Inasmuch as Balboa Park is under the Park Commission's jurisdiction, this matter is to be referred to that department, and the Secretary to transmit the letter of the Sunnyside people to the Secretary of the Park Board.

Mr. Purser, the gentleman who was appointed by the City Engineer to make the necessary maps and survey for the Playground Commission, reported progress to date.

In discussing the matter of maps it was deemed advisable to have one set of the sectional maps of San Francisco mounted and kept in a special case which will be the property of this department. Therefore, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the Secretary was authorized to make all the necessary arrangements for the purchase of same.

Mrs. Pollok reported progress on the establishment of a playground in Chinatown, and presented the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Auger and carried.

WHEREAS --The Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese Native Sons have approved of the proposed selection of Portsmouth Square for a playground for the children in the so-called Chinese District.--

THEREFORE--be it resolved that the Secretary of this Commission be directed to communicate in writing with the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners, transmitting all communications upon the subject and asking for the transfer of the supervision of Portsmouth Square to the Playground Commission for the establishment and management of said playground.

It was the concensus of opinion that the Robert Louis Stevenson monument at Portsmouth Square should be fenced off, if the Playground Commission takes over this square for a children's playground.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Farrow of the Yosemite National Park Co. regarding the lodge at Mather. This communication was referred to Mr. C.J.Auger, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Copies of three resolutions were received from the Board of Supervisors.-- Resolutions numbered 23506, [illegible] respectively. (Same ordered filed).

A communication was received from Mr. George Gerhard, Secretary Civic League of Improvement Clubs and Associations asking for information concerning our camp last summer. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond thereto.

A communication was received from Mr. Wm. C. Fuller of the Berkeley Tennis Club inquiring about tennis courts in San Francisco. Ordered filed, the Secretary having responded to his letter.

A petition for the establishment of a playground in the Crocker Amazon Park was received. Ordered filed, and this request will be considered when the future plans of the department are determined.

A communication was received from Mrs. Charlotte G. Thaumald regarding the condition of the retaining wall at Presidio Heights Playground.

The Superintendent reported he had received figures for this work inasmuch as it is imperative that we attend to this matter immediately.

Fay Improvement Co....$3928.00 Love and Sons ...$4200.00

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The Superintendent was requested to secure an estimate from the Board of Public Works and report back to the Commission.

Mr. McLaren reported that although the Noe Valley Playground is inadequate, it should be better equipped. He suggested that a list of suitable playground apparatus together with price list should be submitted by the Play Committee.

A communication was received from Mr. Swenson of the Stockton Recreation Department requesting that this Commission take up the matter of planting fish in the streams at Mather. Ordered filed and this request will be taken up at a later date.

A communication was received from the Bausman Manufacturing Co. of Millersville, Pennsylvania, giving information about a certain type of swing they carry. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from John C. Henderson of Portland, Oregon, asking for baseball information. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to forward the requested information.

The Superintendent further reported that several needed improvements at this time are:

The erection of a fence 15' high at the Southside Playground;
The erection of a fence 15' high at the James Rolph Jr.Playground;
Resurfacing of the baseball diamonds at Hamilton Playground;
Improving the Noe Valley Playground;
Erection of a field house on the girls' side of M.S.Hayward Playground.

On motion regularly moved and carried the Superintendent was instructed to get in touch with Mr. Devlin who so kindly drew up plans last year for the erection of this field house, and secure the necessary specifications from him.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $4024.58 on Demands 27, 28 and 29 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:45 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan

Executive Secretary.

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San Francisco, February 25, 1925.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m., Mr. Henry B. Mills presiding.

Present: Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. C.J.Auger;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. Alfred I. Meberg.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Mr. Applegarth and several representatives from the Grant School called in regard to a petition they had sent to the Playground Commission. This petition requests the equipment of that property known as the Presidio Reservation, as a children's playground.

The Chairman assured the representatives that the Commission is heartily in accord with improving this site, and will include an amount in the budget to make some initial improvements.

Mr. Burns of the Board of Public Works submitted a sketch and prices for the concrete retaining wall at Presidio Heights Playground. The price is $3994.00. It was the concensus of opinion, the case being one of extreme emergency, that the Board of Public Works should make the necessary repairs at once. The Secretary was directed to communicate with the Secretary of that Board for information covering procedure under such conditions.

On motion of C.J.Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the Secretary was directed to expedite the repair work as much as possible.

In discussing the establishment of a playground in Chinatown, the concensus of opinion was that the Grounds Committee again take the matter under advisement and report on the feasibility of using Portsmouth Square for this purpose.

Mr. Mills, Father Crowley and Miss Hogan were present at a joint meeting of the Board of Education and representatives from the San Francisco Congress of Mothers on Wednesday morning at 10: [illegible] a.m., held in the interest of equipping and supervising schoolyards. Mr. Mills reported that the Commission will supervise three schoolyards,-- Mr. Bohrmann and Mr. Mills having been appointed a committee to select the sites.

...MUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. Adelaide E. Bornett regarding the purchase of property in the Visitacion Valley District. Ordered filed, and Mr. Purser to be acquainted with the facts.

A communication was received from Mr. E. L. Ivy of Spaldings requesting us to take care of the Steamship Baseball League. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to honor this request as far as possible.

A communication was received from Mr. H. B. Mills congratulating the Playground Department employees for their contribution to the Community Chest. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association regarding signs on the Funston Field House. Ordered filed, and the Superintendent to investigate this matter.

A communication was received from Mr. Fitzgerald stating he had referred to the Board of Public Works our request to have Cumberland Street closed. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Ray Daugherty regarding the P.S.A.L.'s 17th Annual Baseball Tournament. Ordered filed.

Several letters requesting specific information were received, i.e. from the Division of Recreation, Cleveland, Ohio, from the Dept. of Recreation, Reading, Pa., and the S.F. Chamber of Commerce. Ordered filed, the Secretary having forwarded the desired information.

A communication was received from John Reis Jr., C.E. Architect, regarding the installation of guards on the gas burners at Funston. Ordered filed.

A communication was receivedfrom Mr. R. H. Ritter, Secretary of the Mission Terrace Club House Association regarding tennis courts in Balboa Park. The Secretary was instructed to reply, and to forward the communication to the Park Commission.

Mr. C.J .Auger, Chairman of the Summer Camp Committee reported that a communication regarding the sale of the lodge at Mather had been referred to him. The concensus of opinion was that with the consent of the President of

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the Commission, Mr. Auger is to make the necessary negotiations regarding purchase price of this property, and then to report back at the next meeting of the Commission.

The Superintendent was instructed to have the plans and specifications for the M.S.Hayward Field House at the next meeting of the Commission.

The Superintendent reported that the Richmond Playground gates were repaired that because of the recent stormy weather certain repairs were necessary at Glen Park. He also reported that certain necessary repairs to the apparatus are being taken care of at the present time on Spring Valley, Richmond, Presidio and North Beach Playgrounds.

The Superintendent further reported that he was obtaining figures on fencing, and also that the fence on the Potrero Avenue side of the James Rolph Jr. Playground has been completed.

The Chairman of the Play Committee authorized the Secretary to interview candidates for the joint position of Superintendent of Playground Athletics and part-time director at Funston.

Bills and current expenses on Demand #29, amounting to $795.33, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

R. Philomene Hagan
Executive Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco. March 11, 1925.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 4:15 p.m., Mr. Henry B. Mills presiding.

Present: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg;
Mr. C.J. Auger;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Sturm;
Rev. D.O.Crowley (on leave)

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting on motion of C. J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, were approved as read.

Representatives

Two women representatives from the Glen Park District, Mrs. Fohrs and Mrs. Andrews of the Glen Park Community Club, called in regarding the possibility of improving conditions at Glen Park Playground.

Our cooperation is asked with respect to remedying the condition of the sewerage. They also have requested the following: equipment, i.e., a sand box, and benches; installation of better outside lighting facilities to ground; that several trees obstructing the sun, be removed; change in type of fencing; and that activities in the evening be resumed for the girls.

The Chairman assured these representatives that the Commission will cooperate with them as far as possible and that a sand box and benches will be installed, and that the resumption of evening activities for the girls will be referred to the Play Committee.

Delegation

A delegation from the Chinese District, i.e. Mr. Lowe of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. [illegible] of the Native Sons, and Mr. Robert Lyon of the Chinese World called on the Commission in the interest of the establishment of a playground in Chinatown. Their preference is Portsmouth Square.

The Chairman reported our status to date, i.e. that we were putting the Park Commission's decision as to the surrender of this property, and if such transfer is honored, the necessary improvements for the establishment of the playground would be taken care of by this department.

Communications

Several communications concerning the summer camp were received, and referred to Mr. Auger, Chairman of the Camp Committee.

A communication was received from Mrs. C. Howell of 90 Marshall Street, representing the Parent Teachers' Association of the Glen Park School, asking permission to hold plants in the Glen Park Playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply favorably.

Several communications were received from the Chamber of Commerce requesting information. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to forward the desired information.

A letter was received from Mr. J. D. Foster of the Y.M.C.A. thanking the Commission for granting use of Field for baseball diamonds. Ordered filed.

A resolution was received from [illegible], asking to have words regarding the erection of a swimming pool at Playground. Ordered filed.

A petition was received from several residents of the Crocker-Amazon Park Improvement Association requesting the establishment of a playground in their District.

A letter of thanks in connection with donation for Hospital Grounds was received from Mr. J. C. Neubauer of the San Francisco Boys' Club. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Clay Architect, Mr. John Reid Jr., quoting a price of $180. for providing additional ventilation at the Funston Field House. Ordered filed, and on motion of Mr. C. J. Auger, seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, the Secretary was authorized to instruct Mr. Reid to proceed with this work.

A communication was received from Mr. Nat T. Messer, Real Estate Assistant to the Mayor, inquiring about new lots purchased by the Commission. Ordered filed, the Secretary having responded thereto.

Two communications were received from the Council of Social and Health Agencies, one inviting the Commission to exhibit at their 19th Annual meeting in Sacramento May 15th to 18th, 1925, and the other regarding the election of officers for the ensuing year. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to attend.

A communication was received from Eva Noel, Secretary Spring Valley Mothers' Club, requesting that the lot adjacent to Spring Valley Playground be purchased for play purposes. Ordered filed.

It was the consensus of opinion that the question of having the

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grading done on the 21st and Folsom Street property at this time, be referred to the Finance Committee with power to act.

The Superintendent reported that several trees will have to be removed from the Mission Playground and he was authorized to secure bids on the removal.

The Superintendent also presented figures on certain work at Southside Playground, as follows:

West Coast Wire and Iron Works
Wiring of wooden type baseball backstop, and wiring for fence 336' in length, along the Bryant Street side $761.00

Standard Fence Co.
Wiring of wooden type baseball backstop...$216.00
" " fence 336' along Bryant Street.. 316.00 .....$532.00

Standard Fence Co.
Construction of specially built Baseball Backstop, such as type built by this firm in Alameda(150' long, 12' high, with 10' overhang) $500.00

Construction of wooden type baseball backstop.....$360.00

Franzen and Parent
Erection wooden frame for fence, and also for backstop.....$810.00

Mr. Henry B. Mills gave a more detailed report of Southside Playground stating that he and Mr. C. J. Auger, called at Southside anddecided that the baseball diamond on the Harrison Street side should be moved to the northeast corner of the playground, and that the backstop be placed as far back as possible. A new backstop will have to be purchased because the old one is not worth moving. Certain apparatus, i.e. a high jump standard, a horse, and a pole vault standard, is to be removed to Jackson Playground so that the same facilities will be available to the Police and Fire Departments there, as we now have at Southside Playground. This work is to be performed by our existing staff of men.

Bills and current expenses to date on Demands 31, 32 and 33, amounting to $1,199.13 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:14 P.M.

B Philamene Hagan.
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco. March 25, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p.m., Mr. Henry B. Mills presiding.

Present: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mrs. Mildred Pollok.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren;
Rev. D.O.Crowley (on leave)
Mr. Alfred Esberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Miss Katherine D. Burke voicing her appreciation for the courtesies shown the girls from her school when they have been priviliged to use the Hamilton Playground Tennis Courts. Ordered filed.

Two applications were received, one from Mr. Joseph Hervieux and the other from Prof. E.A.Voigt of Detroit, Michigan. Ordered filed, the Secretary having responded to both.

A communication was received from Mr. H. J. Koch, Corresponding Secretary of the Southern Heights Improvement Club, petitioning for a playground in that district. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors regarding the filing of the Budget estimate for the Playground Department for the coming fiscal year. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Robert Rea, Librarian, enclosing a letter for specific information about the Playground Department of San Francisco. Ordered filed,and the Secretary to reply thereto.

A communication was received from Mr. Ray Daugherty representing the S.F.A.L. regarding the weighing in for their Track and Field Meet to be held in the near future. Ordered filed.

An invitation was received from the Recreation House to a play scheduled there on Saturday, March 28th. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to acknowledge the invitation with thanks.

An announcement was received from the Railroad Commission calling our attention to the change in the date for the hearing concerning transportation to Hetch Hetchy. Ordered filed.

A request was received from the Boy Scout Headquarters asking that Troop No. 81 be granted the privilege of meeting once a week in the Glen Park Pavilion. On motion of Mr. C.J.Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the Boy Scouts are to be granted this privilege.

In mentioning transportation to the Summer Camp, the Secretary was instructed by the Chairman of the Finance Committee to communicate with the Railroad Commission stating that while this Commission would greatly appreciate transportation facilities being provided to the points in question, at the same time, we feel that it should be left to their good judgment to determine who should be granted this application.

Mrs. Pollok reported that at the meeting of the committee regarding the California Industries Exposition she was assured by Mr. Howe that the Playground Commission may have as much space as is desirable in order that we may have playground apparatus from the various companies on display. We have also been assured that the Park Commission will be glad to place the necessary shrubs and plants to beautify the exhibit.

In discussing Portsmouth Square, the Secretary was asked to communicate with the Park Commission regarding their decision in the matter.

The following bids were received on the grading work to be done on the 21st and Folsom Street property:

		Certified check
Granfield Company.....	$2480.00	$100.00
Farrar and Conklin	2700.00	200.00
Associated Construction Company	2945.00	295.00
	2990.00	299.00
P. Montagne	3340.00	400.00
Bay Improvement Co.	3875.00	387.00
Eaton and Smith	3920.00	
O'Shea Co.		

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, the contract was awarded to Granfield Company who were the lowest bidders, in the sum of Two Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Dollars ($2480.00)

Mr.Purser has been instructed by the Commission to keep in touch with the

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progress of work at 21st and Folsom property, and also to commence on the work at James Lick Playground according to plans outlined by Mr.HenryB. Mills.

University Mound

In mentioning the need for baseball facilities at University Mound, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, the Superintendent was instructed to have a backstop erected by the Standard Fence Construction Company, immediately, for a sum not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars ($500.).

Bay View Playground

It was the concensus of opinion that the Commission proceed with the improvement of the Bay View Playground site and proceed at this time with development to cover an expenditure of Fifteen Thousand, this being the amount recently transferred by the Board of Supervisors to the Playground Department for expenditure on this particular playground site. Mr. Purser has been instructed to draw a sketch of the land, and to work in conjunction with Mr. Healy, the Assistant City Engineer regarding asphalt paving and the installation of water facilities.

Mrs. Pollok called to theCommission's attention the need for the installation of a better filtration system at Mission Bath House. This will be considered at a future date.

Bills and current expenses on Demands No. 34 and 35, amounting to $1185.45, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan

Exec. Secretary.

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San Francisco. April 6, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:05 p.m. Mr. Henry B. Mills presiding.

Present: Mrs. M.J.Pollok
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr.Constant J. Auger;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

RESENTATIVES

Mrs. Werner, representing the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, spoke before the Commission in the interest of having some playground apparatus installed on land owned by this group adjacent to their building on Le Conte and Southern Heights Blvd. The matter was referred to Mr. John McLaren, Chairman of the Grounds Committee to investigate the land nearby which might be adopted for play purposes.

MUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Mayor's office regarding the reverent observance of Good Friday. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform the playground directors accordingly. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from William Unruck concerning Boys' Week activities on the playgrounds. Ordered filed.

An announcement was received of a play to be held on Monday, April 13th at the Berkeley Playhouse, 2162 Allston Way. Ordered filed.

The Secretary reported that Mr. Devlin, the architect for the new S.E. Hayward field house, had drawn up the plans for this building and had presented same that day. The Commission after examining them, approved the plans as submitted. The Secretary was therefore instructed to notify Mr. Devlin accordingly.

Mr. Henry B. Mills rendered the following report: That the three schoolyards selected to be used asplaygrounds are the Garfield, Holmes and Irving H. Scott schools, and also presented the letter which is to be sent to the Board of Education notifying them of the Commission's decision to operate the schoolyard playgrounds.

In discussing the improvement of the [illegible] of land at University Mound to be used for baseball purposes, the consensus of opinion was that the chairman of the grounds committee be given full power to act in having the land graded, and planted with a lawn.

The Superintendent was authorized to procure complete information from the Board of Public Works and the Engineer's office regarding the improvement of the sewerage conditions at Bay View Playground.

The Superintendent reported that the following improvements are being made:

Portrero Playground - new doors, and additional lavatory and shower facilities;
North Beach " - new fencing;
resurfacing of tennis by Standard Fence Const.Co.;
installation of more benches;
repair of electric lights.
Hamilton " - new plywood on flag pole.

Mr. Auger, reporting for the finance committee, stated that the members of the committee, had met and discussed the budget for 1925-1926 and recommend the following which was approved by the Commission:

Personal.....$140,831.
Maintenance & Upkeep-
Miscellaneous... 50,000.
Equipment... 100,000.
Buildings, structures & improvements-
Purchase of land... 15,000.
$305,831.

Mrs. Pollok reported that the bath houses will open on Sunday, April 26, 1925.

In discussing the transfer of [illegible] Mrs. Pollok to have the committee [illegible] see the Park Commissioners before any further action will be taken.

Bills and current expenses to [illegible] were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:40 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan

Exec. Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 29. 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Henry B. Mills presiding.

Present: Henry B. Mills:
Constant J. Auger;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok.

Absent: John McLaren;
Alfred I. Esberg;
D. O. Crowley.(on leave)

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the last meeting were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

Mr. John McCrystle presented his credentials from the S. F. Council of Boys' Week as Superintendent of Playgrounds. The Secretary was directed to record the credentials, and the young gentleman was officially announced as Superintendent of Playgrounds for the period of one week, and instructed to visit the department with Mr. Mooney.

Plans for the location of the field house at 21st and Folsom Streets, for the placing of tennis, basketball and volleyball courts, and the arrangement of the small children's section were presented to the Commission for consideration. It was the concensus of opinion that the plans be referred to Mr. Mills for further consideration, and that he proceed with the ordering of the work.

The blue prints for the M.S.Hayward Playground were received from Mr. Devlin for final approval and were signed by Mr. Mills, Acting Chairman.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Neubauer of the S.F.Boy's Club asking for the privilege of using the Glen Park Pavilion as a meeting place for a newly organized group of boys. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond that the Commission is heartily in favor of granting this privilege.

A letter was received from Miss Hubbert at Glen Park, calling attention to the unsightly condition and damage caused at that ground following the dance held by the Community Club. The Commission therefore instructed the Secretary to notify the Community Club that dances are forbidden in the Glen Park Pavilion.

A communication was received from Miss Channer of Hoquiam, Washington, asking information about our Summer Camp. Ordered filed, the Secretary having forwarded the desired information.

A communication was received from Mr. Fitzgerald, Secretary Board of Public Works, calling our attention to a notice they had received from the Police Department, i.e. the condition of the fence at the M.S.Hayward Playground caused by a machine accident. Ordered filed, the matter having been investigated and rectified.

A communication was received from the Pittsburg Water Heater Co., giving estimate for the repair of the North Beach heater. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, the heater is to be repaired immediately.

A communication was received from the United Materials Company regarding the repair of the roof of the North Beach Bath House. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for report.

Bids for the improvement of the James Lick Playground were received from the following firms, and the Commissioners decided to have them tabulated before awarding the contract:

	Treasury Cert. and Bond Surety Bond Paid	Furnishing and Placing Chain Link Fence Price per Lin. Ft.	Replacing Cyclone Fence Price per Lin. Ft.	Furnishing and Erecting Tennis Posts Price per Set	Furnishing and Erecting Backstop Price per Lin. Ft.	Furnishing and Placing of Pipe Rail Price per Lin. Ft.	Furnishing Storm Sewer Inlet and all appurtenances
GRANT & HART	$1355.	$28.	$1.60	$1.60	$2.15	$3.25	$104.00
ELLIOTT& GRANT	1437.	23.	1.50	1.50	3.30	3.25	140.00
GRANFIELD CO.	1400.	40.	1.36	1.36	4.00	2.79	50.00
EATON &SMITH	400.	30.	1.50	5.00	3.00	5.00	100.00

Mr. Auger reported that the Yosemite National Park Company will sell the lodge to the Playground Commission for the sum of $12,500.00 and that there is a certain amount of equipment also placed on sale for the sum of $3000.00. Mr. Auger was authorized to proceed with the purchase.

Mr. Auger asked that the Commission visit camp previous to its opening for the 1925 season. The suggestion met with approval and May 16th was suggested as the day for the visit.

The camp is to be opened commencing June 21st, and will accomodate about 125 persons on each excursion.

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Mr. Auger further reported that the dining room facilities have been improved for this season, that the transportation to and from camp is being determined, and also that the price to vacationists will be increased approximately two dollars.

The Secretary was instructed to see the City Auditor regarding a revolving fund for the Summer Camp.

The Superintendent reported he had received a bid from Daniel Foley for the painting of the grandstand, lavatories and handball courts and tool shed at Southside Playground, for the sum of $350.00 On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, the above work is to be awarded.

Estimates were received from Pearson and Johnson, D.J. & T. Sullivan, and Symon Bros. for certain work to be done at Southside. The offer of Pearson and Johnson to move the field house and tear down and remove the tank house for the sum of $260.00 was approved and carried on motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger.

Estimates were received for the erection of a wire fence at Presidio Heights Playground. The work was on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, awarded to the Standard Fence Company for $782.40. The other estimate was from the West Coast Wire and Iron Works in the sum of $873.00

Mrs. Pollok reported about the establishment of a playground in Chinatown on Sacramento Street opposite the Y.M.C.A. Building stating that for the sum of $33,560 sufficient property can be secured to equip same with one tennis court, one handball court, sandbox and swings. Mrs. Pollok further reported that a sketch of the available property, with the names of the owners and possible purchase price was being prepared and would be available for the Commission at an early date.

Mrs. Pollok reported having been invited by the Board of Directors of the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children to officially dedicate their playground. The dedication to include a program by the playground children. Mrs. Pollok reported that such program had been arranged to include four numbers, the last to be the May Pole Dance.

The Grounds Committee is to visit Mission Playground with a view to recommending improvements for the rear section of the ground.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. McCado is investigating the sewerage condition at Glen Park Playground, but is not ready as yet to render a report.

Demands and current expenses on Demands 38, 39 and 40, amounting to $5787.64 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:40 p.m.

B. Philomene Hagan.
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 20, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p.m., Mr. H. B. Mills presiding.

Present: Henry B. Mills;
Mildred J. Pollok;
Constant J. Auger;
Alfred I.Esberg.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley (on leave);
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the last meeting were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

Mr. Andrew Gallagher, representing the Southern Promotion Association, was the spokesman for a large representation living in the vicinity of the Rincon School. He asked for the installation of play equipment in the yard of the Rincon School, which covers an approximate area of 100 x 147 feet. The concensus of opinion was that equipment should be placed in the Rincon School yard.

Representatives

Representatives from the Mission Terrace District, Mrs. E. J. Seamore, 25 San Gabriel Ave., and Mr. Arthur Wert, 251 Santa Rosa Ave., appeared before the Commission asking for the purchase of land in that district for a playground, suggesting as a location, some section between Mission Street and Capistrano Ave. The improvement of a section of Balboa Park as a play space for children was suggested as an alternative, provided such play space be placed under the direction of a supervisor of play.

Mrs. Noel, Secretary of the Spring Valley Mothers' Club, was inquiring about the purchase of land adjacent to Spring Valley Playground. The Chairman assured her that it was the hope of the Commission to purchase this land during the next fiscal year, provided we receive sufficient money.

Mr. Calish and Mr. Campbell, representing the Oceanside District, spoke before the Commission, urging the purchase of land in that district, preferably the site bounded by 45th and 46th, Judah and Kirkham Streets, and suggested a conference with Mr. Larson, the owner.

Bids were received for the erection of a Field House on the M. S. Hayward Playground, They are as follows:

		Cert. Check
Voght and Davidson...	$12,400	$1300.00
Elliott and Grant....	$14,900	$1500.00
Anderson & Ringrose..	$16,453	$2500.00

The Commission decided that inasmuch as the bids were higher than anticipated, that same be rejected, and the bidders notified accordingly.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from the Park Commission stated the transfer of Portsmouth Square was still under advisement. Ordered filed.

A petition was received from the residents in the vicinity of the Rincon School asking that play equipment be installed. Ordered filed.

Two communications were received from Eaton and Smith quoting prices for reconstruction and grading work to be done at Mission Playground. Ordered filed, the matter having been taken up by the Grounds Committee.

Two communications were received from the Glen Park Community Club asking for certain improvements to be made on the Glen Park Playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond.

Communication was received from Mr. Geo. A. Merrill, Dir. the Calif. School of Mechanical Arts, asking for information regarding the Summer Camp. Ordered filed, the Secretary having responded to the communication.

A communication was received from the Department of Sociology, University of Washington, asking about recreational and character building organizations in San Francisco. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond thereto.

A communication was received from Miss Hagelthorn, inviting the Secretary to attend the San Francisco Athletic League Boys' Rowing meet on Saturday, May 23, 1925. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. J. C. Neubauer, asking for certain baseball diamond requests. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond thereto.

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A communication was received from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Assn. asking permission to meet in the Funston Field House. Ordered filed, the Secretary to inform them that the use of the building is to be for athletic purposes only, especially since there is a greater demand than we can take care of, and it is further suggested that they make application to the school department, for the use of a school building for meeting purposes.

A communication was received from Mr. Rogers, Clerk of the Educ. Pks. and Playgrounds Committed, referring a resolution to this Commission regarding the purchase of a playground in the area situate east of Amazon and Crocker Tract and South of Silva Avenue. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. John McLaren, Superintendent Golden Gate Park, granting the necessary permission to the Playground Commission to hold their Annual Spring Pageant and May Festival in the Civic Center on Saturday afternoon, 5/23/25.

A letter was received from Mrs. Edna Calhan, making inquiry about the possibility of establishing a playground in the Ingleside District. Ordered filed, the Secretary to respond.

A communication was received from the Dean of the Stanford University Medical School, asking permission to use the Playground Club House between the hour of 5 and 7 p.m. for physical exercise. Ordered filed, the request to be taken care of.

A communication was received from boys living in the vicinity of Funston, asking for the use of the building for basketball practice in the evenings. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to take care of this request.

Mr. Purser, in reporting about the Bay View Playground, suggested that in view of the fact that a certain amount of land is to be filled in, the proceedure of notifying grading companies to dump soil on the site in question, is worthy of consideration.

Mrs. Pollok reported that the Board of Govenors of the Shriners' Hospital thanks the Commission for its part in assisting in the dedication of the Hospital on Saturday, May 2, 1925.

Mrs. Pollok also reported about the Chinese Playground and presented a sketch of the land which is situated at Sacramento, Stockton, and Clay Streets and Waverly Place, and also reported that Mayor Rolph assured her the necessary money will be forthcoming from the Board of Supervisors to pay for the land.

The Chairman informed Mrs. Pollok that the Commission would visit the site and render a report about the improvement of this land.

Mr. Auger reported that negotiations were completed for the purchase of the lodge at Mather, covering a cost of $12,500, and that an expenditure of approximately $3000 can be anticipated for the purchase of movable equipment.

In discussing a revolving fund, for camp, Mr. Esberg made a motion which was seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, authorizing the Secretary to have a sum of $1500 set aside for this purpose, and also authorizing either Mr. Auger or Miss Hagan to sign checks appertaining to camp.

Mr. Auger further reported that in purchasing the lodge properties at Mather, we will have several additional cabins for which it will be necessary to charge an additional rate.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 42 and 43 amounting to $991.89 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 p.m.

B. Philomene Hagan.

Executive Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. June 3, 1925

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Rev.D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. C. J. Auger;
Absent: Mrs. Mildred Pollok;
Alfred I. Esberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mr. Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the Glen Park District were in, asking permission to continue the privelege of holding social dances in the pavilion, in view of the recent order sent out by the Commission denying them the privelege of using the building for this purpose. The Chairman assured Mrs. Burman that the matter will be taken under consideration, and the Commission's answer will be ready for the next meeting.

Mrs. Miller, representing the Sunnyside, West-Wood-Park District, asked the Commission if they would look into the matter of having playground equipment installed, and a director placed in charge of Balboa Park, fronting on Phelan and Gennessee Streets. The Chairman explained that we have no jurisdiction over Balboa Park, but would have the Grounds Committee investigate that section of the city as to suitability for playground purposes.

A delegation from the Visitacion Valley District called and both Miss Friedman and a representative of the Congress of Mothers urged the Commission to take action on the establishment of a playground in the Visitacion Valley District. They asked that, in the meantime, playground equipment be installed at the Visitacion Valley Schoolyard. The Commission, however, does not recommend the supervision of this particular schoolyard.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. R. Fuidge, asking permission to hold a dancing class for mothers in the Glen Park Pavilion. Mrs. Fuidge was present, explaining the request, and was told that the Commission would hold the matter under advisement.

A communication was received from Miss Frances M. Maher of 99 Chenery St., asking that the outdoor basket-ball court at Glen Park be converted into tennis court use, as well as for basketball purposes, in order to relieve the congested condition of the courts. On motion of Mr. H. B. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to paint the court, and erect movable standards. Ordered filed.

Letters from D. J. O'Brien and Wm. J. Quinn, office of the Chief of Police, acknowledging "Thank You" letter of the Playground Commission in recognition of services rendered by the Police Department on the occasion of the Spring Pageant were ordered filed.

The Secretary was authorized to have Mr. Devlin, the Architect, make certain minor changes in the Marraret S. Hayward Field House plans, in order to minimize the cost, and then to re-advertise, so that bids would be received as soon as possible.

The Secretary was also authorized to advertise immediately, for bids on the asphalt, grading and fencing to be done on the 21st and Folsom Street Playground site, and said bids to be received at a special meeting of the Commission on June 10th. Mr. Mills and the Secretary to receive said bids.

In discussing the dumping of fill on the Bay View Playground site, Mr. H. B. Mills made the following motion, which was seconded by Mr. C. J. Auger, and carried, that the Playground Commission enter into several contracts not to exceed $499.00 each for the dumping of fill at the rate of 45¢ per cubic yard. Mr. Purser was asked to secure the names of firms who would be in a position to do this, and the Secretary to be guided accordingly.

The Superintendent was authorized to get prices on several standard makes of automobiles, and report back at the next meeting.

Bills and current expenses were, on motion of Mr. C. J. Auger, seconded by Mr. Mills, approved as read.

Demands, 44, 45, 46, amounting to $3379.36.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4 p.m.

B. Philomene Hagan.

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San Francisco. June 17, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p.m., Mr. Henry B. Mills presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;

Absent: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. John McLaren.
Mr. Esberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mr. C. J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

REPRESENTATIVES and DELEGATIONS

Mrs. Miller representing the Sunnyside Westwood Park District called in to get further particulars about the possibility of developing that portion of Balboa Park fronting on Gennessee and Phelan Streets. Mr. Mills advised Mrs. Miller that Balboa Park being under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission the approval must be made by that board.

A Chinese delegation including Mr. Wong, representing the Native Sons, Mr. Seid, Chinese Six Companies, Mr. Fang and Mr. Jung the Press, came in making further inquiry about the establishment of a playground in Chinatown. Mr. Mills explained to the delegation that the expense involved in the purchase of property and the development of same was in excess of what the finances of the Playground Commission could stand. Mr. Mills suggested that an informal appeal be made to the ~~Playground~~ Commission for the use of St.Mary's Square as a playground, and appointed Mrs. Sigmund Stern as a committeeof one to make such appeal. Mrs. Stern was further requested to report back at the next regular meeting.

In discussing the dances at Glen Park by the Community Club which had been ordered discontinued, the Commission decided to temporarily permit these dances, the continuance of same to be dependent upon the proper use of building and grounds, and the conduct of the dance.

The Commission went on record as disapproving the holding of a dancing class for the adults of the Glen Park District in the Glen Park Pavilion with an outside paid instructor, and the Secretary was instructed to so notify them.

In discussing the possibility of the establishment of a schoolyard playground in the Visitacion Valley School for the vacation period, Mrs. Stern was asked to investigate the feasibility of this, and to report back to the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from one of the baseball teams making use of Southside Playground, registering a complaint regarding protection of their personal property. Ordered filed, the Secretary having responded thereto.

A communication was received from the Y. W. C. A. asking permission to borrow the oars which are the property of the Playground Commission. Ordered filed, the Secretary having responded thereto.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Office announcing the City Hall's candidate for the Jefferson Centennial Election. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Farrar and Carlin giving their bid for filling in at the Bay View Playground site. Ordered filed.

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Mr. Mooney reported on the following work:-

MISSION PLAYGROUND

Fencing around apparatus has been completed; painting work is being completed; carpentery work has been completed.

SOUTHSIDE PLAYGROUND

The planting of grass seed and the fertilizing is being done at the present time. The backstop will soon be erected.

JAMES ROLPH JR. PLAYGROUND

A new door leading from boy's dressing room to girl's section has been put in to permit of added dressing room facilities.

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Mr. Purser reported on the following:

JAMES LICK PLAYGROUND

The grading and fencing work on this ground is ninety-five per cent complete. The estimate for additional asphalt and tennis court construction on this ground will cost approximately $770, and the placing of top gravel and fencing of courts another $200. Mr. Purser recommends that a twelve ton roller be used when the gravel is put on. The Superintendent was authorized to secure informal bids on the above mentioned work, and on motion of Mr. C. J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the work is to be let at

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the Chairman's discretion.

Mr. Purser was instructed to attend the next meeting of the Streets Committee of the Board of Supervisors at which time the closing of Bancroft Street would again be considered.
Mr. Purser was also instructed to look into the matter of having the upper block of the University Mound Playground site graded.

On motion of Mr. C.J.Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the sum of $100 is to be set aside for the Annual Picnic for the children of San Francisco at the Glen Park Playground.

Mrs. Pollok reported that the Park Commission's exhibit at the Industrial Exposition will be a separate unit from that of the Playground Commission.
Mrs. Pollok, Chairman Swimming Committee of the Fourth of July Celebration, reported that two swimming meets for the children of S.F. would be conducted on Saturday, July fourth, 10 a.m. for boys, 2 p.m. for girls.Both meets to be at Mission Tank. Silver cups to be awarded the winners of events.

Major Braden, Western Representative of the National Playground and Rec. Association of America, called on the Commission and presented the following matters:-

1- That the Playground Commission send a special representative to the National Recreation Congress, meeting at Asheville, North Carolina in October.

2- That the S. F. Playground Commission extend an invitation whereby a conference of the Western Division of the Playground and Recreation Association comprising the Western States would be held in this city on the third week of November. Invitations have already been received from three cities, and the request is that San Francisco also extend one. Those who would act on the local committee of arrangements would be, Mr. B. Lamb of the Park Commission, Miss Randall, representing the Community Chest, Miss Williams, Community Service Recreation League, andMiss M. P.Hagan.

3- That this Commission write a letter to theNational Recreation Association asking for a continuance of the service rendered by their Western Field Division office.

Mr. Braden also stated he had been in conference with Superintendent Gwinn of the Board of Education who is of the opinion that about eight centers should be established in the schools for community recreation purposes, and supervised by the playground department. The Commission decided to hold the above matters in abeyance.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 47, 48, 49 and 50, amounting to $6647.91, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:40 p.m.

M. Philomene Hagan
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco. July 1, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m. Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Commandant of the Citizen's Military Training Camp inviting the members of the Playground Commission to be present at the Fort Winfield Scott on Visitor's Day, Saturday, July 4, 1925, Ordered filed,and the Secretary to acknowledge the invitation with thanks.

A communication was received from Lawrence J. Spencer, Secretary of the Glen Park Community Club, re. street work adjoining Glen Park Playground. Ordered filed, inasmuch as the Superintendent has taken the matter up with the Board of Public Works.

A communication was received from Mr. Purser showing the amount due Elliot and Grant in the sum of $5947.00 for the work they have completed at the James Lick Playground. On motion regularly moved and carried, the bill was referred to the Chairman of the Finance Committee for approval for payment.

A communication was received from the Playground and Recreation Association of America urging attendance at the coming 12th National Recreation Congress at Asheville, N. C., Oct. 5-10, 1925. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the law office of Daily, Dowd and Reagh regarding the granting to Mr. G. Schenone of additional time to harvest his vegetable crop on the Bay View Playground site. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to notify Mr. Daily that the concensus of opinion of the Playground Commission is that Mr. Schenone be allowed five weeks, from date, for the harvesting of his crop.

The following bids were opened at the meeting:

For asphalt work at Mission Playground:

	Asphalt Work	Redwood header
1. Julian A. Ducray	.13¾ lin. ft.	1¢ per lin. ft.
2. Fay Improvement Co.	11 7/10¢ lin. ft.	15¢ per lin. ft.
3. Peter McHugh	12¢	7 5/10¢ " "
4. Eaton and Smith	14¢	1¢ " "
5. Raisch Improvement Co.	12¢	1¢ " "

On motion of Mr. Constant J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried the Commission's award will be governed by the decision of the Engineer's office, provided the contractor represents a reputable firm.

For the construction of a Field House at the M.S.Hayward Playground:

E.W.Elliott ...$13,185.00
Thos. M. Jones...$10,990.50
Buschke &Brown...$11,763.00
Vogt &Davidson...$12,070.00
Amoroso&Damico..$16,400.00,plus additional work

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, the bids are to be checked up by Mr. Leo J. Devlin, the architect,and the awarding of the contract to be dependent upon the recommendation of the architect, and the standing of the contractor.

Mr. McLaren reported he had been out to see the Visitacion Valley Schoolyard and that he would not recommend its supervision by the Playground Commission.

The Superintendent reported the following:

At Southside, new backstop erected;
Playground Club House - painting completed;
University Mound - the ground is ready for seeding, and will be started the first part of next week;
James Lick- Informal bid received from Eaton and Smith for additional asphalt work to cost approximately $828.00

Mrs. Pollok rendered a report concerning the Chinese Playground, and on her motion, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, the property is to be appraised by Mr. McGinnis of the Board of Supervisors, after which Mrs. Pollok will render a report to the Commission.

Mr. Auger reported that the Playground Commission has purchased $3500 in portable equipment from the Yosemite National Park Company for use at the summer camp. In discussing the amount promised us by Mr. McLaren, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors to meet the initial operation expense for last year's camp, the following motion was passed. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the Secretary was

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directed to communicate with Mr. McLaren and ask that the $4000.00 be transferred to this department to apply on our camp accounts.

Mrs. Pollok invited the Commission to attend two swimming meets, one for girls, and one for boys, scheduled at Mission Tank, Saturday, July 4th

The Secretary reported that for some time past a number of boys have been swimming in the Mission Tank after closing hours, i.e. 6 p.m. Since the closing of school, this number had greatly increased. A consultation with the Chief of Police on the subject, and Chairman of the Play Committee brought out the opinion that it might be advisable to keep the tanks open until dark, thus giving proper protection to property, and by meeting the demand save boys from juvenile court procedure. Therefore the emergency has been met in that way.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 51, 52 and 53 amounting to $3957.64, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:25 p.m.

B. Philomene Hagan,
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco. July 15, 1925.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Rev. D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Pollok;
Mr. Auger;
Mr. McLaren;
Mr. Esberg.

Absent: Mrs. Stern;
Mr. Mills.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Mayor's Office in which their attention was called, by the Mayor of the City of Asheville, to the 12th National Recreation Congress. Ordered filed.

An application for work in the department was received from a Mrs. Rose T. Meyer. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from F. W. Barttels, 1223 Fosworth Street, requesting that the fence around Glen Park Playground be removed. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond that the concensus of opinion of the Commission is that the Playground is to remain fenced.

A communication was received from Mrs. Geo. F. Keil, Corresponding Secretary of the California Federation of Women's Clubs together with an accompanying resolution urging that the property on the southwest corner of Broadway and Larkin Streets be purchased for the enlargement of said playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond that the Commission has the matter under advisement.

A communication was received from Arnold C. Lackenbach, Attorney at Law, Alexander Building, quoting prices on available apparatus located at Pacific City. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform Mr. Lackenbach that the Commission is not interested in purchasing this equipment.

A communication was received from Mr. H. Peters, together with map showing a proposed tunnel to be constructed in the vicinity of 26th and Douglass Streets and which has bearing to a playground matter. This was referred to Mr. Parker for investigation.

A petition was received from Mrs. L. C. Bauer, 81 Groveland Street, signed by residents of the Eureka Valley District, asking for the establishment of a playground in the district bounded by 19th Street, Yukon, Corwin and Grand Avenue.

A notation was received from Mr. Rhine representing the Swift Estate Company, calling the Commission's attention to the next installment due on the Mission Property. The Secretary was asked to procure from the Board of Supervisors, for the Chairman of the Finance Committee, a copy of the agreement between the Board of Supervisors and the Swift Estate Company, at which time the matter will be taken under consideration.

Mrs. Pollok informed the Commission she had received a communication from Miss L.S.Reed wherein she asks to be reinstated in the department at the termination of her leave of absence. Inasmuch as the Chairman of the Play Committee was not present at the meeting, the matter is to be referred to Mr. Mills.

His Honor, Mayor Rolph, appeared before the Commission in the interest of the Chinese Playground, urging the Commission to take action for the establishment of a playground in Chinatown, and particularly recommended that site included in the block bounded by Clay, Stockton, Waverly Place and Sacramento Streets. The Chairman explained that action had been delayed up to this time for the following reasons, -1- awaiting word from the Park Commission regarding the possible transfer of Portsmouth Square; 2-the making of a survey of all available land in Chinatown that would best serve the needs of this district; 3- the receiving of appraiser's figures on an available site at Clay, Stockton, Sacramento and Waverly Place. After weighing the matter, Mr. Esberg made the following motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Pollok and unanimously carried, that thatpiece of property situate in the block bounded by Clay, Stockton, Sacramento and Waverly Place be purchased by the Playground Commission, and the necessary arrangements be made whereby condemnation proceedings can be instituted immediately.

In discussing the purchase of that property adjacent to the Spring Valley Playground, the Commission unanimously passed the following motion made by Mr. C. J. Auger and seconded by Mrs. Pollok, -- that the Playground Commission purchase that piece of property located on the southwest corner of Broadway and Larkin Streets owned by the Tillman Estate and take the necessary steps whereby condemnation proceedings can immediately be instituted.

The Superintendent reported the following work:

SOUTHSIDE Asphalt work has been completed by the Pay Improvement Company. Wire work is being done by the Standard Fence Construction Co. The lumber is being received for the

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erection of the fifteen foot fence.

EXCELSIOR - Fence being repaired;
JACKSON - Work on track is completed;
Field House has undergone minor improvements.

UNIVERSITY MOUND - The lawn has been planted, and about two weeks the backstop will be erected.

Mrs. Pollok reported about the two swimming meets held at Mission Tank, one for girls on July 4th, and one for boys held on July 10th.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 54, 55, 56, 57 and 58 amounting to $14,952.26 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:50 p.m.

B. Salomone Hagan
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco. July 29, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding, and inasmuch as there was not a quorum present, the members represented a minority board.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mrs. S. Stern;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Alfred Esberg;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, the reading of the minutes was waived until the next meeting.

Representatives

Several representatives of the owners of property in the Chinese Playground site attended the meeting and reported as follows:

Mr. Babin, real estate dealer and representative of the Getz Estate who are the largest owners of the property in question, agreed to submit in writing the terms at which the city may purchase their land, and also to furnish a diagram of the property.

Mr. McMillan, representing the American Baptist Home Mission, also agreed to let the Commission know what their lowest price was on their lot, and also that property including improvements adjacent to the playground site which property is occupied by the Baptist Mission.

Mr. Lawrence Levy, Attorney-at-Law, representing the firm which was erecting a three story building on the Chinese Playground Site, came to ask the Commission about reimbursing his clients for the expense they had incurred in proceeding with the erection of the building. The Commission asked that he submit his estimate, but gave him no assurance of being obligatedto meet such expense.

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SWIFT ESTATE (Mission Playground Property)

On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, the second installment and interest due the Swift Estate for the Mission Playground Property was ordered paid.

The following motion was also carried, having been moved by Mr. Auger and seconded by Mrs. Pollok, -- that the Playground Commission is to pay the second installment and interest amounting to $15,675.00 due at this time to the Swift Estate, in order to prevent a law suit, and also to request the Board of Supervisors to reimburse the Commission in this amount as it was understood that that Board would finance the purchase of the Mission Playground property.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Rossi, Acting Chairman Finance Committee, urging all departments to curtail unnecessary expenses until the tax rate is fixed. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond thereto.

A communication was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors notifying us that in the near future Mr. McLaren, Chairman of the Finance Committee would have the sum of $4000 transferred to this department to the credit of the Summer Camp Fund. The Secretary was asked to retain this letter on our active file until the transaction was settled.

A second communication was received from Mr. Dunnigan informing us that he had referred our letter regarding condemnation of the Spring Valley and Chinese Playground sites to the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Linde Air Products Company 3bl California Street, regarding the use of the basketball court at the Funston Field House. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond.

An announcement of theThird National Tennis Tournament to be held at Baltimore was received and ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Eureka Valley Promotion Association regarding the establishment of a playground in that district in the vicinity of Corwin, Grand Ave., Market and 19th Streets. On motion of Mr. C.J.Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

An application for a playground position was received from Miss Evelyn Hart of San Jose. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Oscar Ingels, Bulletin, inquiring about a letter received from Mr. Bartels of the Glen Park District. Ordered filed, and the Chairman and Mr. Purser agreed to call on Mr. Ingels.

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Communication was received from Mr. Don Tresidder stating he would bring to San Francisco on July 27th, the necessary documents regarding the contract for the sale of the Mather property. Ordered filed.

A letter of commendation regarding the S. F. Municipal Camp was received from Mr. J.B. Dryden, Secretary Supreme Court. Ordered filed.

An application was received from Henry F. Peterson for a position as caretaker or laborer on one of the playgrounds, and was referred to the Superintendent.

Mr. Purser reported that he had visited Mr. H. Z. Peters regarding the playground site at Clipper, Douglass and 26th Streets, and Mr. Peters proposes to remove a certain portion of the present rock hill, and turn over to this department a considerable area of ground at the completion of the work. The matter was held in abeyance awaiting further investigation.

Mrs. Pollok reported she had been appointed Chairman of the Girls' and Women's Athletic Committee for the Diamond Jubilee Celebration, and asked for assistance from the Playground Commission in running off a play day and swimming meet.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, amounting to $21,068.48 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

W. Lorraine Logan
Executive Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 18, 1925.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:20 p.m., Mr. Henry B. Mills presiding.

Present: Henry B. Mills;
Constant J. Auger;
John McLaren;
Mildred J. Pollok;

Absent: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Alfred I. Esberg.

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Miss L. S. Reed asking to be re-employed in the department commencing September 1st. Referred to the Play Committee.

The reading of all other communications was also waived.

REPRESENTATIVES

An engineer of the Medart Mfg. Co. of St. Louis, Missouri, asked for an opportunity to bid on apparatus for playground use. The Chairman assured him he would be granted that privilege when we are in the market for apparatus.

A representative of the 22nd Assembly District Association asked the Commission for permission to have several concessions on the James Rolph Jr. Playground during the Diamond Jubilee Week. Request denied as concessions on playgrounds are against the intent and purpose for which these recreation centers were established.

Another request was received for permission to use Glen Park Playground for similar purposes, and was also denied -- this request having come from B. E. Doran, Sec. of the West Indian Friendly Protective Society of San Francisco. Request denied, as all recreation activities conducted on playgrounds must be under the direct supervision of the Playground Commission and its employees.

On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, Mr. Joseph Phillips has been engaged by the Playground Commission as appraiser for the Chinese Playground Site and the land adjacent to Spring Valley Playground. Mr. Phillips was authorized to consult with Mr. Paschel on these appraisements, when in the judgment of Mr. Phillips such opinion is advisable, and Mr. Paschel is to receive compensation for his services.

Mr. David L. Levy, Attorney, representing Morrow and Garren who have a claim for work done on the Chinese Playground Site presented a letter giving the stipulated amounts for the work performed, and same was turned over to Mr. Phillips for investigation.

Mr. McMillan representing the Baptist Mission properties also presented a letter quoting prices. This was also referred to Mr. Phillips for investigation. The Commission went on record as favoring the purchase of the land only.

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On motion of Mr. C.J.Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, subject to the approval of the absent members of the Commission, Mr. George Purser is to be placed on the Playground Commission's Pay Roll at the rate of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars per month, effective, July 1, 1925.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 5, 6, and 7, amounting to $4567.88 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:35 p.m.

W. Lorraine Logan
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 26, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2:35 p.m., Rev. D.O. Crowley presiding.

Present: D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the three previous meetings were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication and sketch was received from S. Walter Burke, representing Sala and Sala of 3090-16th Street, offering for sale that property adjacent to James Rolph Jr. Playground. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee and Mr. Purser for investigation.

A communication was received from M. F. Sylva, Secretary of the Eureka Valley Promotion Association, endorsing the continuance of the McKinley Schoolyard Playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to acknowledge receipt of same.

A letter was received from Miss Ruth M. Heyneman, asking that her resignation be accepted at this time, inasmuch as her leave of absence terminates on September 1st. Ordered filed. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger and unanimously carried, Miss Heyneman's resignation was accepted with regret, and the Secretary was instructed to inform her of the Commission's appreciation of the splendid service she rendered while in the employ of this department.

The President asked Mr. McLaren, Chairman of the Grounds Committee, and Mr. Purser to look over the Eureka Valley District with a view to selecting a suitable playground site.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the Secretary was instructed to address a communication to Mr. N. Messer, City Real Estate agent, asking that all rentals collected on playground sites be deposited with the City Treasurer to the credit of the Playground Commission's account.

Mr. Mooney was instructed to call on Mr. Schenone and find out existing conditions so that the Commission can resume the filling in at the Bay View site at the earliest possible moment.

The Superintendent reported as follows:

MISSION
Lumber for the erection of fence around the tennis and basketball courts has been received. The painting of the fences and bath house is being completed.

SOUTHSIDE
One backstop is completed.
The other backstop will be erected after the lawn is fully grown.
The small backstop for the childre is being erected.

UNIVERSITY MOUND
The backstop there will also be erected after the lawn is thoroughly grown.

Mr. James Phillips reported that he and Mr. Paschel appraised the Chinese Playground site and the land adjacent to Spring Valley Playground. Mr. Phillips further reported he has had time to complete negotiations with one owner of land in the Chinese Playground site, the purchase price being $6250.00. He will make further negotiations before the next Commission meeting.

In discussing plans for a field house for 21st and Folsom Streets, the Commission decided to make further study of the grounds before deciding on the type of field house.

Mr. Pollok reported that she is having a Play Day for girls at the Kezar Memorial Stadium on the 8th, and a Swimming Program at the Fleishhacker Swimming Pool on September 10th.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 8 and 9, amounting to $3555.58 were on motion of Mr. Auger seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:35 p.m.

W. Theodore Mayer
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 16, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Pollok;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. Alfred Esberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were on motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the 21st and Folsom Street District asked that the Commission, in planning the layout of the playground site, allow as much space to the very small children, as possible. They also suggested a name for the playground, and asked to be informed about the dedication of the playground when the Commission is ready to hold it.

A delegation called in from the Eureka Valley District, asking the Commission to give consideration to their request for a joint park and playground at Corwin, Yukon, Romain Avenue and 19th Streets. The Chairman assured Mrs. Bauer that the Commission will look into the matter after a sketch of the property has been made by Mr. Purser.

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Word was received from Mr. Phillips that he has been proceeding with negotiations for both the Chinese Playground site and the land adjacent to Spring Valley Playground, and is well satisfied with the way negotiations are proceeding.

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COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Sala and Sala regarding the purchase of land adjacent to James Rolph Jr. Playground. Ordered filed, and in discussing this matter, the Commission on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, decided to hold it in abeyance until the return of the chairman of our finance committee.

Mr. Fitzgerald of the Board of Public Works sent a communication stating he is taking the necessary steps whereby the sidewalks at 21st and Folsom Streets will be repaired in the near future. Ordered filed.

The reading of all other communications was waived until the next meeting.

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Mr. John McLaren recommends that the commission consider the purchase of land at De Haro and Southern Heights Avenue opposite the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House for a playground site.

Mr. Purser presented several drawings showing lay outs of playground sites. These will be considered at a later date.

Miss Frances E. Ware appeared before the commission asking for an increase in salary.

A letter was received, signed by the caretakers and laborers of the department asking for an increase in salary.

Mr. Geo. Duffey appeared before the commission and asked that his salary be increased to $200.00 per month.

Mrs. Stern made a motion, which was seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, that the requests for increases of salary be referred to the finance committee on Mr. Auger's return.

Mrs. Pollok notified the commission she was taking a leave of absence commencing October 1st.

She also reported that the California Industries Exposition is to be held October 17th to Nov. 1st, and that in her absence she asks that Miss Hazen make all necessary arrangements regarding this departments participation.

Mr. Mooney reported that Mr. Schenone will vacate the Bay View property very soon, and also that he does not wish to purchase the windmill which is on the playground site.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 10,11 and 12 amounting to $7974.80 were on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

W. Sherman Scott
Exec. Secretary

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 30, 1925.

M E E T I N G

Meeting notices having been sent out failed to record a quorum, those members present acting as a minority board. The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: D. O. Crowley;
Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Alfred I. Esberg;
John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

The reading of the communications was waived until the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

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Mr. Phillips presented a resolution of acceptance for three parcels of land in the Chinese Playground site, i.e. that piece owned by Louis Albert Goetz in the sum of $ 28,000, Toy K. Lowe's in the sum of $7000, and the American Baptist Home Mission Society $8250.00.

Mr. Auger made a motion that the Playground Commission endorse the resolution deeding the land to the City and County of San Francisco, subject to the approval of two other members of the Commission. Seconded by Father Crowley, and carried.

Mr. Purser presented several drawings -- one of the proposed park and playground site at Yukon, 19th and Corwin Streets in the Eureka Valley District, playground lay outs for 21st and Folsom Streets, James Lick Playground, the University Mound site, and two drawings of the Jackson Playground, one relative to the condition of the foundation and supports of the field house, and the other to the playing field.

Mr. Purser explained to the Commission the inadvisability of establishing a playground at the proposed site in the Eureka Valley District due to the topography. He also brought to the Commission's attention the method for remedying the drainage of the Jackson Playground, and also called to their attention the serious condition of the underpinnings of the Jackson Field House.

Demands and current expenses on Demands #13, 14, 15, 16, 17, amounting to $4685.87 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:40pm.

H. Louis Sloggett
Exec. Secretary

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San Francisco; October 19, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
Constant J. Auger;
Mrs. Mildred J.Pollok;

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of September 16th were on motion of Mr. Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

The minutes of the last meeting were on motion of Mr. C.J.Auger, seconded by Henry B. Mills, approved as read.

Bids for the erection of bleachers on the University Mound Playground were received from the following bidders in the amounts listed below:

	Certified Check	Amount of Bid
1-Eaton and Smith	$300.	$2400.
2-Hugh McGill	300.	2670.
3-Jas.J.Irwin	350.	3338.
4-Vogt and Davidson	350.	3366.
5-James Ringrose	400.	3950.
6-Amorosa and Damico	500.	4200.
7-Buschke & Brown	440.	4402.
8-Thos. M. Jones	600.	5048.

On motion of Mr. Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, the work was awarded to the lowest bidder, i.e. Eaton and Smith in the sum of $2400.00 .

All certified checks, with the exception of those from the two lowest bidders, were ordered returned to those bidding.

In discussing the request for increases of salary referred to in the minutes of September 16th, the Commission on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Henry B. Mills and carried, decided to increase Mr. George Duffey's salary to $175.00 a month, and all other salaries to remain as indicated in the budget approved for 1925-1926.

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A communication was received from Mr. George Kjelle of Berkeley asking for information regarding the cost of operating the Department. Ordered filed, inasmuch as the Secretary had forwarded the necessary information.

A communication was received from the Mayor's office enclosing a communication from Mrs. E. T. Bauer requesting their petition for the establishment of a park and playground in the Excelsior Dale District. The matter was referred to the Chairman of the Grounds Committee for Mr. Farrar for further report.

A communication [illegible] from the Parent-Teachers' Association of the Portola Junior High School relative to the proposed improvement of the playground. Ordered filed, [illegible] Commission is preparing [illegible]

Mr. Auger, the City [illegible]

[illegible]

A request was received from [illegible] The Alvarado School [illegible] to inform them the Playground is [illegible]

A communication was received from [illegible] Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association [illegible] to be dedicated. [illegible] future for this purpose.

A communication was received from [illegible] a paper at the Pacific Coast Conference on Recreation [illegible] Nov. 16, 17, 18, the subject to be "How [illegible] Movement." Mayor [illegible] appointed as a delegate. It was the consensus of opinion that Mr. Mills should represent the Commission.

The Secretary reported the receipt of [illegible] 181 Brunell Ave., for expenses incurred by the children [illegible] Lane a tenderfoot, employee of the Playground Commission. The Secretary was directed to return the bills to Mrs. [illegible] to present all documents covering such cases direct[illegible] Industrial Accident

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1-Mrs. Pollock reported a change of date in her leave of absence, i.e. leave to commence November 4th, in lieu of October 1st.

2-That A.G.Spalding and Patterson Williams were to place an exhibit of play apparatus in the Civic Auditorium during "The California Industrial Exhibition."

3-That a program of original dances is being arranged by the Playground Department for a special matinee program on Saturday, November 14th from 3 to 4 p.m.

4-That the Playground Department is preparing to enter two doll buggies from each playground in the Doll Buggy Review which Mrs. Pollok has arranged for the California Industries Exposition.5-Mrs. Pollok as Chairman of the Swimming Committee, reported the participation of the playground swimmers in the Special Swimming Events arranged as a part of the July Fourth Program, in the Diamond Jubilee Swimming Events. The organization, by Miss Letham of the Seals Swimming Club - Membership in the club is made up entirely of girls who have been taught to swim in the playground tanks, members being picked not only because of their swimming ability, character and sportsmanship also being taken into consideration. In fine, the members of this club represent a type of girl capable of representing the Playground Department at any assembly with great credit. Mrs. Pollok further reported that six-hundred girls had been taught to swim in the special instruction classes organized on the playgrounds during the summer vacation.

October 24th, or thereabouts, was suggested as the closing date for the swimming season.

The Parent Teachers of the Argonne School and the Board of Education ask this Commission's support in the establishment of a playground at Geary, Anza, 18th and 19th Ave., near the Argonne School.

The Commission agreed to investigate this site, and also several other sites in the Richmond District. Mr. Mills was appointed by the Chairman to see Mrs. Mott of the Board of Education regarding the request of the Parent Teachers' Association.

Mr. Purser was asked to procure for the next Commission meeting the estimated value of that property on De Haro Street and Southern Heights Avenue opposite Potrero Hill Neighborhood House.

Mr. Mooney reported that the playground apparatus for 21st and Folsom and the James Lick Playgrounds has been ordered from Patterson Williams.

A new fence has been erected at the Spring Valley Playground on the side fronting on Broadway.

The Park Commission will furnish the necessary trees to be used to beautify the 21st and Folsom Street playground.

In discussing the need of a one ton Ford truck, Mr. C.J.Anger passed the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Mills and carried, that this department purchase a one ton Ford truck to be used to do the necessary hauling from one playground to another.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $16,407.80 on Demands 18,19,20, 21, 22 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:00 p.m.

H. Salomon Stern
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 28, 1925.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: D. O. Crowley;
Henry B. Mills;
John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Mrs. Pollok;
M. I. Esberg;
C. J. Auger.

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting were on motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the reference department of Pomona Public Library asking for information regarding this department. Ordered filed, inasmuch as the information was forwarded.

Communication was received from the Argonne Parent Teachers' Association, Mrs. G.F.Geibel, Cor. Secretary, asking this department to assist them in converting a vacant lot located at 18th, and 19th Avenues, between Geary and Anza Streets which is "School Property" into a playground.

The Secretary reported a resolution had been passed by the Board of Education,copy of which is being prepared for the Playground Commission, transferring to the Playground Commission for a period of years, that piece of property located on the west side of 18th Ave. 225 feet south of Geary Street, for playground purposes.

A communication was received from Wm. Strachan, complaining of windows being broken in his residence across from the 21st and Folsom Street Playground. Ordered filed, and the matter to be investigated.

A communication was received from Mr. J. Coughlin residing at 3660-20th Street, requesting that the fence at the Mission Playground be raised in order to prevent further breakage of windows. Ordered filed, and the Superintendent authorized to handle this matter in the most satisfactory manner.

A communication was received from Thos. M. Jones, the contractor for the M. S. Hayward Field House asking that he be granted an additional thirty-five days to complete the building. The concensus of opinion is that he be granted this request. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to notify Mr. Jones accordingly.

Mr. Messer, the City Real Estate forwarded a lease in duplicate for the Playground Commission's signature,which lease has already been signed by Mrs. J. Williams lessee for property located at 121 Montana Street in the Ocean View Playground. Ordered filed, and the duplicate copy to be forwarded to Mr. Messer.

The Secretary was authorized to communicate with City Attorney, Mr. George Lull, asking for his opinion regarding bills submitted to this department by Margaret Morrissey, for expenses she has met for the late Ed. B. Lane, a former laborer on the playgrounds.

On motion of Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried, the firm of Malott and Peterson was awarded the contract in the following amounts for repairing the roof at North Beach Playground:

$100 for removing the tile (letter of Oct. 16th)
$475 " furnishing and installing Richardson composition shingles (letter of Oct. 26th)

Mr. Purser reported he has been investigating prices of fancie trees for the 21st and Folsom Street Playground. The matter was referred to Mr. McLaren with power to act.

Mr. Mills, in the absence of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the laborer's petition for an increase in salary, together with a letter from His Honor, Mayor Rolph, asking that he be informed of the Commission's decision in the matter. After discussing the petition the Commission decided to await Mr. Anger's recommendation, before taking action.

Mr. Phillips presented a demand for the purchase of land in the Chinatown site, in the amount of $10,868.45 in the favor of Milton T. Lee, assignee of Chin Pack. On motion of Henry B. Mills, seconded by Father Crowley, and carried, the demand was ordered paid.

In discussing the value of the property adjoining Spring Valley Playground, on motion of Henry B.Mills, seconded by John McLaren, and carried, Mr. Phillips was empowered to engage the services of Mr. Mooser to appraise the property.

The Superintendent reported that the windmill at University Mound has been removed by some unknown party; that apparatus is being placed and a small backstop is being erected on the 21st and Folsom Street Playground; that the lawn at Southside is being reseeded; and that the tennis courts at Jackson and Funston Playgroundds are to be rewired.

In discussing the need for a playground on Southern Heights, the following

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motion was passed by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried that Mr. Phillips be instructed to ascertain the most desirable land for playground purposes, approximately six blocks, located in that area bounded by 22nd, 23rd, Arkansas and Missouri Streets, and to further ascertain if it will be possible to secure this land on the partial payment plan.

In discussing the drainage at Jackson Field House, the matter is to be held in abeyance until further investigation.
On motion of Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Engineer has been authorized to prepare plans and specification for raising the Jackson Field House.

Mr. Purser has been asked to plan for the installation of swings, tennis and basketball courts and a baseball diamond on the Presidio Reservation site.

A delegation from the Glen Park District reported the general condition of the evening activities and the depredation done to theproperty at Glen Park Playground. The Commission has been working in cooperation with Captain Quinn of the Police Department on existing conditions in Glen Park District.
The delegation also requested permission to hold a picnic for the S.F. Boys' Club some Sunday in the near future. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Henry B. Mills, and carried, the request was granted, with the understanding that dancing is prohibited.
It was suggested that about two hundred feet of the wooden fencing be removed from the main entrance to the ground, and wire fencing substituted in order to keep the ground under closer observation. On motion of Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to replace the wooden fence with a six feet wire fence.

Demands and current expenses on Demands 13, and 14, amounting to $1131.96, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

H. Lemoine Stern
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 18, 1925.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 p.m.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mrs. Mildred J. Pelick.

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Carl J. Noehr, Chairman Section on City Planning of the Commonwealth Club of California, extending to the Chairman and members of the Playground Commission an invitation to a dinner meeting of the Club, subject under discussion: City Planning. Mr. Auger, representing the Commission, expressed a desire to have Mr. Purser present at the dinner. It was so ordered.

A communication was received from Helen P. Bowement, Chairman Recreation Section of the Congress of Mothers, requesting that a member of the Playground Commission attend the next meeting of the organization in the Board of Public Works Assembly Room on Tuesday, December 15th, at 10:30 a.m. It being the desire of the Committee to learn what is being done in recreation in the City and County of San Francisco. The President stated that he would attend the meeting.

From George A. Applegarth, representing the P.T.A. of the Grant School, asking information pertinent to the supervision of play in the park of the Grant School. It was the opinion of all that play on this park should be supervised, and therefore on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger and unanimously carried, the Secretary was directed to communicate with the Board of Education to ascertain the disposition of the Board.

The supervision of the park being referred to the Board of Education, then the Secretary to arrange for the appointment of a director.

A second letter from Mr. Applegarth requesting the Board to prepare plans for a playground and meeting held with Dolan and Grattan Field, the Commission declining to take action as the property is possibly under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission.

A meeting notice from the Council of Social and Health Agencies at the Mirassou, announcing an important conference for Monday, December 23rd, 8:00 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Church Federation.

From the Librarian, Mr. Robert Sunderland, thanking the Commission for the participation of the Department in the Book Week Program, at which a program including the first story, "Robinson's Animated Garden" and "Butterflies and Clover" were presented by the children's librarians, Miss Bessie Sargeant. The children from the Park recreation centers were present, including the Boys' Glee Club from the Potrero Recreation Center, directed by Mr. Edward Hug. Dance and Pageant of Flowers, the Marguerite Dance.

From the Industrial Exposition thanking the Commission for the Boy Scout Drill during Opening Night.

From the Municipal Employees Benefit Ass'n, Civic Auditorium, asking information relative to Dates and Departments in the Auditorium. No date fixed and the Secretary directed to furnish the requested information.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kahn, 2 Jordan Ave., in the interest of the Jordan Park Improvement Club, requesting an appropriation for the improvement of the playground. Referred to the Secretary to confer with the Board of Public Works. Mr. Applegarth, representing the Jordan Park Improvement Club, appeared before the Commission during this meeting.

Mr. Auger, Chairman Finance Committee, reported that the Committee had met and considered the budget for the fiscal year 1926-1927. The Secretary was directed to prepare the budget in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee.

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Bids for the raising, lowering, construction of foundations and underpinnings for the Field House at Jackson were received as follows:-

McGill	$1300.00	$17.00	concrete yd.	$.06	lb. steel
Hanson Bros.	1625.00	21.00	" "	.07	" "
Haun	2295.00	22.00	" "	.05½	" "
Eaton & Smith	1237.00	25.00	" "	.06	" "
Leibert & Trebeck	2370.00	25.00	" "	.06	" "
Thomas Jones	1600.00	29.00	" "	.05½	" "
Vogt and Davidson	1263.00	19.00	" "	.05	" "
Elliot Grant	1382.00	18.00	" "	.07	" "

Figures were checked by Mr. Purser, Hugh McGill declared the lowest bidder and the contract awarded to McGill.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the lowest bidder, prepare the necessary contract and have work started at once.

The Secretary requested consideration of the general overhauling of the department's Buick Roadster, or the purchase of a new car as the Commission deemed advisable.

It was the consensus of opinion that the car should be turned in. The Secretary was therefore directed to have Mr. Leavy, Purchaser of Supplies, buy the new car.

Bills and current expenses on Demands No.26, 27, and 28, amounting to $1006.04, were approved and ordered paid.

V. Salomone Shagam

Executive Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 2, 1925.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Constant J. Auger

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok (on leave)

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the last meeting,on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried,were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A judgment against the Playground Commission in the sum of $4446 in favor of Mrs. Mgt. T. Morrissey was received from the Industrial Accident Commission --in the case of Ed. Lane. Mr. Arthur J. Hearst, Assistant City Attorney, represented this department at the hearing.
The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance, and have Mr. Hearst appear before the Commission at the next meeting.

A resolution was received from the Board of Education granting this department permission to use the yard of the Grant School for playground purposes. The Secretary, Deputy Superintendent David P. Hardy and Miss Ida E. Shaw, Principal of the Grant School are to confer regarding apparatus.

A communication was received from the Board ofEducation granting the Commission permission to use the athletic field opposite the High School of Commerce on May 22, 1926 for the annual Spring Pageant. Filed.

A communication was received from S. Walter Burke,representing Sala and Sala,regarding the terms for the purchase of land adjacent to the James Rolph Jr. Playground. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and unanimously carried, Mr. Phillips is to appraise the property and report back at the next Commission meeting. Filed.

A communication was received from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association inquiring about the dedication of Funston. Ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to notify the club that inasmuch as the Commission plans to complete the outside play area, it would be advisable to hold the dedication upon completion of the ground.

A communication was received from Matthias and Gale submitting bill for appraisal of premises at 127 Montana Street on the Ocean View Playground site. On motion of Mr. Auger,seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried, the bill was ordered passed.

A communication was received from Mrs. Silva, Bath House Assistant, asking for employment during the season when the Bath Houses are closed. Ordered filed.

Two letters of application were received, one from Mr. Percy Cahill, and one from Mrs. Mary E. Cooney. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform them that there are no vacancies at the present time.

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The Chairman of the Finance Committee introduced the question of the laborers' request for an increase of salary. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance, pending the Superintendent's findings on the union wage scale.

The question of the Board of Public Works repairing the sidewalk at 21st and Folsom Streets will be heard at the meeting of the Streets Committee on Thursday. Father Crowley and the Superintendent will be present at the meeting if it is not possible for Mr. Mills to be present.

Before any definite recommendation is made regarding a suitable playground site on the Potrero Hill, the Commission will await Mr. Phillips' report. Mr. Purser and Mr. McLaren have been asked to confer with Mr. Phillips regarding the property under consideration.

The Commission on motion of Mr. Constant J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, authorized the Superintendent to have the necessary grading done on the property adjacent to Rincon School in order that the apparatus can be installed.

The Secretary was asked to inquire of the Civil Service Commission the type of blanks they keep on file regarding information about employees,which blanks might be suitable for use in this department concerning the age, health, etc. of laborers and caretakers.

Mr. Purser presented a plan for the development of the University Mound Playground which was unanimously approved on motion of Mr. John McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern.

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Bills and current expenses on demands 29, 30, 31, 32, amounting to $8515.36 were approved and ordered paid.

Mrs. Stern presented a motion which was seconded by Mr. Auger and unanimously carried that the Secretary forward a resolution of sympathy to Mr. Mills in his bereavement, and that the Commission adjourn out of respect to him, and that the resolution be spread on the minutes of the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

B. Lurmene Stern

Executive Secretary

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San Francisco; December 16, 1925.

MEETING

Notices having been sent out, failed to record a quorum, those members present acted as a minority board and all action taken is to be approved by the Commission at their next regular meeting.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Henry B. Mills.

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes of December 2nd was waived.

REPORTS

Mr. Phillips rendered a preliminary report regarding the Potrero Hill proposed playground site. On motion of Henry B. Mills which was seconded and carried, the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for their report, before further action is to be taken.

Mr. Phillips also rendered a preliminary report regarding the property adjacent to Spring Valley Playground. It was the concensus of opinion that inasmuch as suit may be filed within a year from date of filing condemnation, that court proceedings for the acquisition of the property should be entered into at a date which would enable this Commission to make payment after June 30th 1926.

Mr. Phillips also reported about the purchase of land adjacent to James Rolph Jr. Playground. Mr. Mills made a motion which was seconded and carried that this matter, together with Mr. Phillips' report, be referred to the Grounds Committee for reconsideration.

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Notification was received that the Board of Supervisors had granted permission to the Southern Pacific, under Bill #7251, Ordinance #6774, to construct a spur track adjacent to the Bay View Playground. The Chairman authorized the Secretary to correspond with the Board of Supervisors, however, to the effect that while the Commission had filed no objection to this permit, they request that no further spur track privileges be granted in this vicinity, since such permits would be detrimental to playground development.

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The Secretary was authorized to send the papers and expense account forwarded this office from the Industrial Accident Commission, concerning Ed. Lane, to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors for settlement.

The Superintendent reported that the Playground Club House is being repaired at this time.

The Secretary was authorized to communicate with all the groups making use of this building, and inform them that if they abuse the property in any way, their privilege of using the building will be denied. The Secretary was further authorized to ask for the cooperation of the Police Department.

The Superintendent reported that the necessary grading, and cleaning work to be done on the land adjacent to the Rincon School which is to be used for playground purposes, had been let to the Fay Improvement Company in the sum of two hundred dollars ($200.00)

The Engineer reported that the work on the underpinning at Jackson Playground is proceeding.

In discussing the James Lick Playground, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to have the entire area under the apparatus section covered with tan bark 6 to 8" in depth, and to be held in place by means of a coping.

The Engineer was asked to remind the Chairman of the Streets Committee, Supervisor Harrelson, about putting in the sidewalks at 21st and Folsom Streets.

Mr. Purser presented estimates on the cost of improving two sites - - University Mound in the amount of $21,000 and the 18th Ave. site between Geary and Anza in the sum of $7500.

In discussing finances, the Commission decided that the 18th Ave. site can be improved at this time, and also dumping on the Bay View Playground can be carried on to the extent of $1000 more. The Engineer was authorized to make the necessary arrangements.

REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Stone, Engineer for the Potrero Hill Improvement Association, showed the Commission a petition in which the people of that district request the construction of a street through a section of land being considered by this department for a playground. This will be considered by the Grounds Committee in making further investigation for a suitable playground site.

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The Chairman set January 6th as the date for the annual meeting of the Playground Commission.

Pay Rolls #15, 16, 17 amounting to $10,088.88 and Demands #33, 34, and 35 amounting to $19,183.22 including two amounts paid to The Yosemite Park and Curry Co., one for $12,500 for the purchase of Hetch-Hetchy Lodge, and the other for $3500 for the equipment at Hetch-Hetchy Lodge, were ordered paid in the usual manner.

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:55 p.m.

B. Philomene Haggerty
Exec. Secretary

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M E E T I N G

The annual meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the last meeting on motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mrs. Stern,were approved as read.

This being the annual meeting of the Playground Commission, the election of President was declared in order.
The Secretary was directed to cast the ballot.

On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, the name of Rev. D.O. Crowley was placed in nomination.
On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, nominations were closed.
Rev. D. O.Crowley was unanimously elected President and the Secretary directed to spread same on the minutes of the Commission meeting.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, it was suggested that all standing committees and the office of Vice-president remain as is. This being agreeable to the President, the Vice-president and committees remain as heretofore, namely:-

Vice-president: Henry B. Mills.

Finance Committee: Constant J. Auger,
Henry B. Mills
Alfred I. Esberg

Grounds Committee: John McLaren
Rev. D.O.Crowley
Mrs. Sigmund Stern

Play Committee: Henry B. Mills
Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mrs. Sigmund Stern

Swimming Committee: Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok

Camp Committee: Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mrs. M. J. Pollok
Miss M. Philomene Hagan

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, advising this department that the claim received from the Industrial Accident Commission concerning Edward B. Lane must be met out of the Playground Commission funds. The Chairman authorized the Secretary to forward the claim to John O'Toole, the new City Attorney, for his opinion.

The Secretary reported that the original agreement between this department, the Board of Public Works and the Yosemite Park and Curry Corporation regarding the purchase of the Hetch Hetchy Lodge in the sum of $12,500 is now on file in this office together with all the necessary signatures. The transaction has been completed.

A communication was received from Geo. Hjelte, Superintendent of Berkeley Playgrounds enclosing a tabulated report on playgrounds. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. Norris, Secretary Board of Education, stating Daniel C. Murphy is to be the Acting President of the board during Mr. Esberg's leave of absence from January 13, to July 31, 1926. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Rev. W. J. J. Byers, stating that his group will cooperate in seeing that no damage is done to the Playground Club House on Sacramento Street. Ordered filed.

A petition with nine signatures was received from residents living in the vicinity of James Rolph Jr. Playground asking that property adjacent to the playground be purchased. Ordered filed, inasmuch as the appraiser is working on this matter at present.

Mr. Purser reported work at Jackson Playground progressing, but demanding a great deal of his time and attention.

Mr. Mooney reported the completion of coping at James Lick Playground, and the completion of work on the roof of the North Beach Playground, and the renovating of the interior of the Sacramento Street Club House.

Mr. Purser was asked to continue working on the survey for the location of playground sites, and in doing so to keep in mind a five years' program.

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The Secretary was directed to secure figures covering approximate cost for a department report.

In discussing the dedication of playgrounds, it was suggested that the 21st and Folsom St. Playground be dedicated on Washington's birthday, and that similar dedications take place on holidays throughout the year.

Committee

Mr. A. J. Gallagher, Chairman Education, Parks and Playgrounds, addressed the Commission, voicing his intention of cooperating at all times with the Playground Commission for the promotion of, and the development of the playground system of San Francisco.

The Secretary was requested to give a verbal resumé of the year's accomplishments in construction, development and purchase of playground sites, thereby showing to Mr. Gallagher the need of 7¢ for playgrounds, instead of 5¢ as at present.
The President asked the support of Mr. Gallagher for the 7¢ rate.

Bills and current expenses on Demands #36 and 37, amounting to $1608.30, on motion of C. J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, were approved as read.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15 p.m.

J. Winant Sloss
Exec. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 20, 1926.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:15 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Henry H. Mills,
Constant J. Auger,
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok,
John McLaren

Absent: Alfred I. Esberg (on leave)
Mrs. Sigmund Stern

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the last meeting, on motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. E. Wright of 1155 Silver Avenue, voicing the appreciation of the Portola Community Mothers' Club for the splendid work the Commission is doing at the University Mound Playground.

A communication was received from F. A. Carlett of 4 Lee Avenue informing the Commission of damage done to the sun visor of his machine while passing one of the playgrounds. Ordered filed and the Secretary to inform Mr. the Commission has no funds for such purpose.

A communication was received from J. A. Donnegan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, stating Mr. Robert Milne had informed the Finance Committee that the next payment on the Swift property would be paid when due. Ordered filed and that the Secretary, when the Chairman of the Finance Committee reports, the payment is not delinquent until May 31, 1926.

Another communication was received from Mr. Monahan Adams and a petition from the Mount Vernon Heights Improvement Club asking for the installation of hydrants on the Fire Department [illegible] Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mayor of Oakland, thanking the Department for [illegible] Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Frances Dalton asking [illegible] Ordered filed, and the Secretary [illegible].

A communication was received from the Pacific Coast Title Insurance Co. [illegible] Ordered filed, and the Secretary [illegible].

Copy of report and resolution from the Board of Education [illegible] Ordered filed.

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The meeting of the Commission was then adjourned at [illegible] to meet on [illegible]. The date of the meetings:

	Date, Place	Hour, If Not
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. [illegible], the [illegible] matter to the Board [illegible]. [illegible] The [illegible] was [illegible] of the Commission [illegible] and [illegible] of the Mills [illegible].

The superintendent reported that two more [illegible] and a [illegible]. Playground and the [illegible] Playground. That the painting of the Field House at the [illegible] Playground [illegible] and that the carpenter is at work [illegible] Mini Park Playground.

In connection with [illegible] a playground on the Potrero Hill, the Chairman of the Finance Committee promised to visit the locality in Potrero, January 22nd and the Commissioners were invited to go over the grounds [illegible] consideration. It was also agreed, if [illegible] to visit a portion [illegible] in the North Beach District at North Point and Columbus Avenue which may be converted into a baseball diamond.

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REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. Buhrman, representing the Glen Park Community Club, asked that certain improvements be made at the Glen Park Playground, i.e. the installation of an arc light, alteration of the fence along Chenery Street and the placing of certain [illegible] work in the pavilion. On motion of Mr. H. B. Mills, seconded by Mrs. M. J. Pollok and carried, the Superintendent was instructed to have the necessary work done, also to see the Pacific Gas and Electric Co. regarding the installation of an arc light.

Mr. Burke of Sala and Sale addressed the Commission inquiring if any action is to be taken regarding the purchase of property adjacent to James Rolph Jr. Playground. The matter is still to be held in abeyance.

Mrs. Pollok called the Commission's attention to the need for certain improvements in the Bath Houses, as a result of having investigated the bath houses with Mr. Norman R. Center and Mr. George Purser. Mr. Purser outlined the needed improvements:-

1. Repairs to bring the tanks up to standard,
2. Repairs to, and installation of, mechanical equipment,
3. Remodeling of lavatories and lockers.

On motion of C. J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, Mr. Purser was asked to secure exact prices for doing this work, and if satisfactory to both the President and Vice-President, the work is to proceed immediately.

Bills and current expenses on Demands #38, 39, and 40 amounting to $[illegible].11 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Mills, duly carried, approved, as read.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of [illegible] p.m.

Vida D. Young
Assistant Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 20, 1926.

SPECIAL MEETING

The business of the regular meeting of the Playground Commission having been concluded, a special meeting was called by the President, Rev.D.O.Crowley.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok
Mr. Henry B. Mills
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Having discussed the object of the meeting, Mrs. Pollok moved that the resignation of Miss M.P.Hagan, Secretary of the Playground Commission, be requested to take effect March 1st, 1926. Mr. Henry B. Mills seconded the motion, subject to ratification by the entire Commission, which was carried by the following vote: Ayes - Commissioners Crowley, Mills and Pollok; No - Commissioner Auger.

Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Secretary Pro Tem.

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San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 24, 1926.

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SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollak;
Mr. Constant J. Anger;
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Mr. Daniel C. Murphy;
Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the special meeting of January 20th were read by Miss M. Philomene Hagan, and unanimously approved.

Miss Hagan submitted a letter in which she declined to resign from the position of Executive Secretary of the Playground Commission.

The letter of resignation from Miss Hazel Mendler, stenographer of the Playground Commission, was read and unanimously accepted.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 2:40 p.m.

Veda B. Young
Asst. Executive Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 26, 1926.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:45 p.m., Rev. D.O.Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D.O.Crowley;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

The following resolution was read:

RESOLUTION

Acting under the authority vested in it by the City and County of San Francisco, the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco hereby resolves that the office of Executive Secretary to the said Commission, a position heretofore held by Miss M. Philomene Hagen, is hereby declared vacant. This resolution to take effect on March 1, 1926.

Mr. Henry B. Mills moved that the resolution be adopted, and it was seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried. Those in favor of the resolution-
Ayes - Henry B. Mills, Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok, Rev. D.O.Crowley.
Nay - Constant J. Auger.

The meeting adjourned at the hour of 3 P.M.

Asst. Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 3, 1926.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:15 p.m., Rev. D. O. Crowley presiding.

Present: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok;
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of January 20, February 24, February 26, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Mills, approved as read.

DELEGATION

Mrs. Kock of 1235 Carolina Street, acting as chairman for a delegation from Southern Heights, urged the Commission to consider the establishment of a playground at 24th, 25th, Wisconsin and De Haro Streets. The matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for further investigation.

Mr. Albert Rhine, agent for the Swift Estate, promised to secure a letter from the Board of Supervisors, to the Commission, regarding the reimbursement of money on the purchase of the Mission Playground property. Mr. Auger, Chairman of the Finance Committee, said the receipt of such a letter would receive his approval.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the City Attorney, John J. O'Toole, rendering his opinion on the Edward B. Lane claim. On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, the sum of $746.20, representing the amount due at this time, is to be paid out of this Commission's funds immediately. Communication ordered filed.

The letter of resignation of Miss Dorothy Marston, playground director, was received and ordered filed. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the matter was referred to the Chairman of the Play Committee.

A letter was received from William O'Brien, playground director, asking for an indefinite leave of absence. Ordered filed and on motion of Mr. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. O'Brien that his leave is granted with the understanding that when he intends returning he will have to wait his chance for reappointment.

A letter explaining the offer of the Yosemite Park and Curry Company to sell their large cash register used at camp to this department was called to the Commission's attention. On motion of Mr. H. B. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, a demand was ordered paid in their favor in the sum of $150.00.

A communication was received from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, calling attention to the filing of budgets by April 1, 1926. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to get the necessary information together for the meeting of the Finance Committee of this Board.

A communication was received from Ray Dougherty, Activity Director of P. S. A. L., announcing their 16th Annual Baseball Tournament. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. A. J. Barbieri, 1455 Pacific Ave., asking for information re Spring Valley Playground. Ordered filed and the Secretary to respond.

A communication was received from E. Walter Burke, of Sola & Sola requesting the Commission to take action on the purchase of land adjacent to the James Rolph Jr. Playground. Ordered Filed, and the Secretary on motion of Mr. H. B. Mills, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, was asked to inform Sola & Sola that the Commission is no longer interested inthe purchase of this property.

The Secretary was asked to consult with Deputy Superintendent Hardy and the Principal of the Grant School re equipment for this schoolyard, which will be supervised by this department.

The Superintendent reported as follows:

GLEN PARK PLAYGROUND

Wire fencing, and the T & G work completed.

Estimated price of arc light, if installed by Pacific Gas & Electric Company, $200.00. On motion of Mr. H. B. Mills, seconded by Mr. C. J. Auger, and carried, the matter was referred to the GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

MISSION PLAYGROUND

Painting completed.

New office for directors completed.

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NORTH BEACH BATH HOUSE

Painting being done.

The Engineer reported on the progress of the work at the Bath Houses. It was the concensus of opinion that the heavier type of tile be used in the construction of the scum rails.

On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, the concrete steps are to be removed if possible, leaving only the bottom step on which removable steps will be placed.

The Engineer reported progress in the work at the 18th Avenue site and was instructed to make the necessary arrangments for the erection of a field house according to the plans submitted.

In discussion the condition of the sidewalks at the 21st and Folsom St. playground, the Secretary was instructed to correspond with the Streets Committee of the Board of Supervisors and ask that they make the necessary arrangements to have the work done.

At the Play Committee meeting held February 11, the following appointments were made:

1-Joseph Bloom to Glen Park Playground
2-Edwin Marriott to Bay View Schoolyard.
3-Hershall Campbell to 21st & Folsom St. Playground.

In discussing plans for the future, the following action was taken:

On motion of Henry B. Mills, seconded by Mrs. Sigmund Stern, and carried, the Commission voted to hold their Annual May Festival this year, as usual, the date being set for May 22, 1926.

The Concensus of opinion was that the Summer Camp is to be operated again this year, and all arrangements to be handled by the Camp Committee.

The Chairman announced that Miss Veda B. Young is to be Acting Executive Secretary until further action is taken.

Bills and current expenses on Demands 46 and 47, amounting to $1571.25, were ordered paid on motion of Mr. C. J. Auger, seconded by Mr. H. B. Mills, and carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4 p.m.

Veda B Young
Acting Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 24, 1926.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:20 P.M., the Vice-President, Henry B. Mills, acting as Chairman.

Present: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred Pollok;
Mr. John McLaren;

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 3rd were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

Two delegations from the Potrero Hill section came before the Commission regarding the selection of a location for a playground in that vicinity. Both parties presented petitions, which were ordered filed. The Chairman informed them that the Grounds Committee had made a thorough investigation of these locations and had selected the most suitable site for the establishment of a playground.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from C. Pantazy, Secretary of the Southern Heights Improvement Club, stating that it is the wish of their organization that the selecting of a playground site in their neighborhood be left entirely to the discretion of the Playground Commission. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Leo Devlin, Architect, authorizing us to make final payment to the Contractor of the Margaret S. Hayward Field House, inasmuch as the work has been completed in an entirely satisfactory manner. He also called our attention to the unsatisfactory condition of the flushing of the toilets, due to the need of a new service line from Laguna Street. Letter ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. Auger, Seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the Engineer was asked to make an investigation and take the necessary steps to have this condition remedied.

A communication was received from Miss M. Philomene Hagan asking the Commission to cancel Demand #44, drawn in her favor, amounting to $70.00, in view of the fact that she ordered cancelled the policy carried jointly by the City and County of San Francisco and herself on the machine owned by the Commission and formerly driven by her.

The Secretary was authorized to notify the Auditor that the Commission wants the Demand cancelled, as per Miss Hagan's request in her letter under date of March 1, 1926.

A communication was received from Albert Ahrne asking the Commission to remove the posts which are located on the rear portion of the Mission Playground, on Cunningham Place, in order that this street may be used by those people owning adjacent property. The concensus of opinion was that the Commission is opposed to the removing of either the fence or posts. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Miss Isabel Lethem regarding a claim she is asking the Commission to meet for expenses incurred due to an accident which happened last year, and which occurred during parking hours. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the matter was referred to the Chairman of the Finance Committee for consideration.

A communication was received from Mrs. F. Norwood, Secretary of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, asking permission to hold a May Day Festival on May 2nd at Funston Playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to ask the Improvement Association to forward complete details of the program they have in mind. On a motion regularly seconded and carried the request was granted.

A letter was received from J. H. Gray, President of the Fillmore Merchants and Improvement Association, asking permission for a troop of Boy Scouts to use the Playground Club House at 5455 Sacramento St. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to make the necessary arrangements for the Boy Scouts to use the building.

A communication was received from the President of the Playground Commission of Berkeley, enclosing a resolution regarding the protection of the national forests. Ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Corresponding Secretary of the Argonne Parent-Teachers Association expressing their appreciation to the Commission for the establishment of a new Playground on 18th Avenue between Geary and Anza Streets. Ordered filed.

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Two communications were received from Eaton and Smith quoting prices on work to be done at the Bath Houses. Ordered filed, inasmuch as the work had been authorized by the Engineer.

A communication was received from H. H. Gilbert, Captain 30th Infantry, regarding the trees on the playground site in the Presidio Reservation. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from C. A. White, representing the Excelsior Peoples' Improvement Club, asking that the Commission lay out additional tennis courts on Excelsior Playground. Ordered filed and the Engineer to look over the Playground and make whatever recommendation he deems advisable.

A communication was received from Joseph F. Moreno, Secretary of the Grand Jury, giving their recommendation regarding the position of Executive Secretary. Ordered filed and the Secretary to inform him that the Commission is pleased to have the Grand Jury's recommendation and will take the matter under consideration.

The Secretary called to the Commission's attention the need of a piano at Jackson Playground to replace the one used there at the present time. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Secretary was authorized to arrange for the purchase in the usual manner.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with Mr. Phillips and ask that he appraise two sites, one in the Potrero Hill section, bounded by 22nd and 23rd, Wisconsin and Connecticut, and the other the Ocean View site, for the balance of unpurchased land included in this area.

REPORTS

PLAY COMMITTEE

Mrs. Stern rendered the following Play Committee report of the meeting held on March 22nd.

Excelsior Playground, Anita Von Hagen, $100.00, commencing April 5th.
Glen Park Playground, Miss Morrison, $100.00, commencing March 29th.
Grant Schoolyard, Juanita Donahue, $80.00, commencing April 5th.
Jefferson Schoolyard, Catherine Harrell, $80.00, commencing March 29th.

SUNDAY DIRECTORS

Margaret S. Hayward: Walton Cately
Funston Playground : Mrs. Meinhimer
University Mound : Theodore Hamm

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McClure, and carried, the report was accepted.

Mr. Auger gave a report for the Camp Committee and stated there was a possibility of increasing the rate for adults at Camp this year. Mr. Auger recommended that Mr. Turner be placed on the Camp Committee. It was the consensus of opinion that this be done.

The Acting Secretary recommended that Miss Dorothy Schnabel, who commenced working with the Department on March 17th, be permanently employed as Stenographer and Clerk at the rate of $125.00 per month. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the appointment was confirmed.

The Engineer reported that he is having plans and specifications drawn for the fencing at 10th Avenue, and bids will be called for at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

The Engineer also reported he will have bids submitted in the near future, after consulting the Chairman of the Grounds Committee, for the grading work at the Potrero Recreation Site.

Specifications for the 10th Avenue Playground will also be ordered in the near future.

The Superintendent reported that at the 10th Avenue Site the plumbing work was being started, and that the lumber for the erection of the Field House had been delivered.

The Superintendent further reported that the links at Glen Park will be completed soon.

The Secretary called to the attention of the Commission the need of a [illegible] for the Playground, and on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Engineer was instructed. The Secretary was further instructed to communicate with the Bureau of Supplies and inform them that the Playground Department is to be furnished with the necessary gasoline for the [illegible] in the discharge of his duties.

It was also the consensus of opinion that the additional cost to the Engineer for [illegible] is to be borne by the Commission, as well.

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San Francisco; March 24, 1926.

The Commission asked that the Secretary procure information regarding insuring the Playground automobiles, and to ascertain thru the City Attorney's office if it is legal to insure the Playground machines.

Bills and current expenses amounting to $8361.94, on Demands No. 48, 49 and 50 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 P.M.

Veda D. Young
Acting Executive Secretary.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M., Mr. Henry B. Mills acting as Chairman.

Present: Mr. H. B. Mills;
Mrs. Mildred Pollok;
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of March 24th, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, were approved as read.

B I D S

Bids for the construction of a fence at the new playground site, located at 18th Avenue between Geary and Anza Streets were received as follows:

National Fence Co.....$1666.00
Certified Check, $100.-
Standard Fence Co..... 1752.00
Certified Check, $176.-
Michel & Pfeffer Iron Works..... 1849.00
Certified Check, $200.-
West Coast Iron & Wire Works..... 1900.00
Certified Check, $190.-

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the bids were referred to the Engineer and the award of the contract is to be made to the lowest bidder, provided the Contractor represents a reputable firm.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. F. Morizoni, Secretary of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association regarding the program to be held at Funston Playground on Monday, May 2nd, by that organization. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform Mr. Morizoni we will be glad to render whatever assistance is necessary to help them to carry out their program.

A communication was received from Mr. H. J. Lock of 1478 Carolina st., offering to the Commission property which he owns in those blocks bounded by Wisconsin, Carolina, 23rd and 24th Streets, and stating the sale price for same. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss M. Philomene Haran, Executive Secretary of the Playground Commission, asking that she receive her salary for the month of March. A communication was received from the City Attorney's office regarding Miss Haran's request and stating that Miss Haran is entitled to her salary amounting to $200.00. In view of the fact that the former meeting at which Miss Haran's position was declared vacant were illegally called, Communications ordered filed, and the Acting Secretary to see that Miss Haran receives the money due her for the month of March.

At the suggestion of the Chairman, and on motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, the Commission authorized the Secretary to send out notices for a special meeting of the Commission to be held on Friday morning, April 9th, at 10 o'clock, for the purpose of passing on pending resolutions.

RESOLUTION

Acting under the authority vested in it by the City and County of San Francisco, the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco hereby resolves that the office of Executive Secretary to the said Commission, a position heretofore held by Miss M. Philomene Haran, is hereby declared vacant, and is hereby ordered to be filled forthwith.

Two communications were received regarding Music week, one from F. [illegible] Overmyer, Chairman of the Committee, and the other from Theodore [illegible], Musicality Director, asking the Department's co-operation in carrying out San Francisco's Sixth Annual Music Week, May 2nd to 8th. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to notify the Committee that we will be glad to co-operate this year, the same as we have in the past.

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San Francisco,

A communication was received from Miss Anita Eldridge, Executive Secretary, Council of Social and Health Agencies, calling our attention to the annual meeting which will be held on Thursday evening, April 8th, and also to the conference of Social Work which will be held in Pasadena from May 9th to 15th, and further reminding us of our dues for 1926. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Betty Forest, Portland, Oregon, asking information regarding Playground work. Ordered filed and the Secretary to forward the necessary information.

A communication was received from Alfred Romcovich, Board of Supervisors, granting us the use of the Municipal Band on Saturday afternoon, May 22nd, provided the Commission pays for the band, as it has done in the past. Ordered filed and the Secretary to make the necessary arrangements with Mr. Empire for the music at the May Festival.

A communication was received from Daniel J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, acknowledging our letter of March 30th, and informing us that they will investigate the complaints regarding damage done at both Glen Park and Richmond Playground.

A communication was received from Mrs. M. B. Morris, Secretary of the Board of Education, granting the Commission permission to use two of the school auditoriums for practice for the May Festival. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to thank the Board of Education for their permission.

A communication was received from Mr. Fitzgerald, Board of Public Works, saying that they have referred our letter of March 31st regarding the installation of a side sewer on 11th Avenue to the City Engineer for attention. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from [illegible], real estate agent, [illegible] with a diagram, relative to the widening of land adjacent to the Right Angle Tr. Playground. The entire matter has been referred to Mr. Turner and Mr. Phillips for investigation. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from W. D. Perry of the Spring Valley Water Co., requesting installation of a new service line on Lawton St. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to authorize the Spring Valley Water Co. to proceed with the work.

A communication was received from Mr. F. J. Fitzgerald, Secretary Board of Public Works, notifying the Commission to remove the construction [illegible] Sunset Park, which runs thru the Mission Playground. Communication ordered filed, in view of the fact that the matter has been taken up with the City Attorney's office, and also the request from them that the Board of Health [illegible] not take action until a joint investigation is made.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible], requesting the removal of the [illegible] in Crocker-Amazon Playground. Mr. Turner was asked to look into the matter and report to the Commission.

On motion of Mr. Puelich, seconded by Mrs. Pollock and carried, the Secretary was instructed to purchase the piece of [illegible] to allow that portion of the Playground which extends into Ocean Avenue to be used. [illegible] the entire width of the Playground is retained, and that the [illegible] would be permitted to [illegible] the [illegible].

A communication was received from the Park Planning Committee regarding [illegible]. The Commission has invited Mr. Schneider thereto.

A communication was received from Miss Dyson, in behalf of the Mothers' Club of the Alice Fletcher Playground, requesting the placing of a [illegible] on the Alvarado Street entrance to the Playground. Referred to Mr. Turner and Mr. Phillips for investigation and report.

A communication was received from Mr. John Sherman, representative of the [illegible] Co., requesting that the Commission [illegible] the Log Cabin [illegible] at the Field House. Ordered filed, as the Commission has no funds for the purpose.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible], requesting that the Commission [illegible] Alvarado Playground. The matter was referred to Mr. Turner for investigation and report.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 7, 1926

REPORTS

The Engineer reported that the bids for the Presidio Reservation Playground will be called for in the very near future.

The Superintendent reported that the apparatus for the 18th Avenue Playground has been ordered, and will be received in about ten days.

The Field House on this ground is being erected at the present time.

The Carpenters are working on platforms to be used in the Bath Houses.

The Pacific Gas and Electric Co. is proceeding with the installation of additional lighting at the Glen Park Playground.

Work at the North Beach Bath House will be completed whenever the rain ceases.

The fences at Richmond and Margaret S. Hayward Playgrounds are being repaired and the lawn at Funston Playground is being re-seeded.

Due to the widening of one of the streets fronting on North Beach Playground it has been necessary to remove several trees from the North Beach Playground, and replant them at the University Mound site.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee reported that he is not ready as yet to render a report on the claim presented by Isabel Latham.

Mr. Lapp presented the annual budget requests for the Playground Department, which were approved by the Commission, and are as follows:

Personal	$168,017.00	168,017.00
Non-Personal		
A-Personal Service	800.00	
B-Contractual and other service	15,400.00	
C-Materials and supplies	29,650.00	
D-Equipment	14,000.00	
E-Buildings, Structures and Improvements		
a. Chinese	17,[illegible].00	
b. University Mound	15,000.00	
c. Bay View	15,[illegible].00	
d. Ocean View	[illegible]	
Purchase of Land		
a. Spring Valley	46,[illegible].00	
b. Minster	15,000.00	
c. Ocean View	11,[illegible].00	
d. Corner at Richmond	100,[illegible].00	481,[illegible].00
		$ 625,[illegible].00

Mrs. Pollak removes the following report of the Swimming Committee: Instructor Center is to be Director of the Natatorium at a salary of $[illegible] per month. Mrs. Jarrett at the Natatorium will assume is to be assisted by Mr. Bartlett, who will be employed at the rate of $[illegible] per month. Center is to be in charge of [illegible] Saturday, Sunday and holidays, and Mrs. Jarrett on the other days. Mrs. Jarrett is to be in charge of [illegible] Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and Center will be in charge on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday

Playground Commission

San Francisco

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 9, 1926

SPECIAL MEETING.

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 10 A.M., Mr. Henry S. Mills acting as Chairman.

Present: Mr. Henry S. Mills;
Mrs. Mildred Pollok;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy;

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. John McLaren;
Rev. P. C. Crowley.

The Chairman announced the purpose of the Special Meeting, which was to pass the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION

Acting under the authority vested in it by the City and County of San Francisco, the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco hereby resolves that the office of Executive Secretary to the said Commission, a position heretofore held by Miss M. Philomena Hogan, is hereby declared vacant. This resolution to take effect forthwith.

On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, the motion was carried with the following Commissioners voting:

Ayes: Mrs Pollok, Mr. Auger and Mr. Mills.

Mr. Daniel C. Murphy declined to vote.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Acting Secretary

Playground Commission

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M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M., Mr. Henry B. Mills acting as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of April 7th, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, were approved as read.

A motion was introduced by Mr. Auger to confirm the action taken at the special meeting of April 9th, at which meeting the following resolution was passed:

RESOLUTION:

> Acting under the authority vested in it by the City and County of San Francisco, the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco hereby resolves that the office of Executive Secretary to the said Commission, a position heretofore held by Miss M. Philomene Hagan, is hereby declared vacant. This resolution to take effect forthwith.

Mr. Auger's motion was seconded by Mrs. Pollok and unanimously carried. All of theCommissioners present voted on confirming the action, the Ayes being as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Pollok, Mr. Mills, Mr. Auger and Mr. McLaren

DELEGATIONS

A delegation, led by Mrs. Kock, from Potrero Hill, called in to see the Commission regarding the establishment of a Playground at 24th,25th,Wisconsin and Carolina Sts.

After discussing the matter, it was referred to the Grounds Committee, which Committee will visit the sites under consideration on Saturday morning, April 24th, at 9 o'clock.

Mr. Shine appeared before the Commission in the interest of the establishment of a turning base for automobiles at Mission Playground. The Commission appointed Mrs. Pollok to attend the Streets Committee meeting tomorrow and next week, at which time the matter of closing Cunningham Place will be heard.

The Commission also asked Mr. McLaren, Chairman of the Grounds Committee, to visit the Playground with Mr. Shine on Saturday morning, April 24th.

Mr. E. F. Gunn, 814 York St., appeared before the Commission, and explained about the damage caused to his windshield and an accident to his daughter, while he was driving past the James Rolph Jr. Playground last Sunday.

The Secretary was asked to communicate with the two baseball teams who were responsible for the damage, and ask that they meet the expense incurred, namely $6.00.

Mr. Bauer, representing the Eureka Valley district, asked the Commission to take action on the establishment of a playground there. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee and Mr. Purser, for further investigation.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, calling our attention to the meeting of the Streets Committee on Thursday, April 29th, to consider the petition for the closing of Cunningham Place. Ordered filed, in view of the fact that Mrs. Pollok has been asked to attend the Streets Committee meetings.

A communication was received from Mr. O'Shaughnessy, City Engineer, signed by Mr. Healy, asking the Commission to investigate the establishment of a playground at 26th and Douglas Streets, and if it is satisfactory to thisCommission, he will proceed with having the necessary improvement of the cliffs ordered.

The matter was referred to Mr. Purser for investigation.

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A communication was received from Mr. S. H. Wickersham of 2650 Green St., placing his application for the position of Secretary of the Playground Commission. Ordered filed, and the application will be considered along with the others when the matter comes up at a future date.

A communication was received from S. Walter Burke, a real estate agent, concerning the transfer of land adjacent to the James Rolph Playground. Ordered filed, in view of the fact that the Charter restricts the Commission from selling, disposing of or exchanging land. Therefore the matter is a closed issue.

A communication was received from Daniel J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, stating that the Commanding Officers of the Police Districts at Glen Park and Richmond Playgrounds have investigated reports of the complaints submitted to them.

A communication was received from the Mayor's office, enclosing a letter from Mr. Sylva, Secretary of the Eureka Valley Promotion Association, asking the Commission to make further investigation in an effort to find a satisfactory site for the establishment of a Playground in that district. Ordered filed, and the Engineer to make further investigation, and report back at the next meeting of the Commission.

A communication was received from the Southern Pacific Co. quoting tentative rates for carrying passengers to the Summer Camp. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Isabel Letham tendering her resignation as Swimming Instructor, to become effective on May 15th. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform Miss Letham that the Commission has accepted her resignation with regret.

A communication was received from Chas. A. Peterson, Comptroller, Yosemite Park and Curry Co., regarding the telephone line from Mather station to the Hetch Hetchy Lodge. Ordered referred to Mr. Purser for investigation.

A communication was received from Mr. Sweeney, Sunday Director at the James Rolph Playground, regarding the accident caused to Mr. Dunn's daughter and the windshield of his car. Ordered filed, in view of the fact that the Secretary was asked to communicate with the baseball teams concerned with the accident.

A communication was received from the Council of Social and Health agencies requesting a meeting on Recreation to be held Wednesday afternoon, April 26th, at 4 o'clock. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. C. P. Young, Stockton, California, asking for a position at Camp. Letter ordered referred to Camp Committee.

A communication was received from Mr. A. Hopwell, Sydney, Australia, thanking the Commission for the courtesy shown him by the office in obtaining information concerning the San Francisco Playground System. Ordered filed.

The Secretary reported that the Playgrounds are participating in San Francisco Polish Annual Music Week, which will be held from May 2nd to May 8th, and extended an invitation to the Commission to be present at the programs scheduled by the respective Playground Directors.

The Secretary further reported that plans are progressing for the erection of the Queen's throne, platforms, etc. for the May festival, and also that the invitations are being mailed, and that plans for the May festival are well under way.

The erection of the Summer Camp pavilion have also been received, and the painting work will proceed immediately.

The Superintendent reported that the field house on the 16th Avenue site is nearing completion and the apparatus will be installed in the near future.

It is also reported all of the existing bid have been completed.

Upon motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, Bids for the improvement of the Presidio Hill-[illegible] site, in the sum of $[illegible], were received as follows:

[illegible] Co., [illegible]--Certified Check, $[illegible]
[illegible] Improvement Co., $[illegible]--Certified Check, $[illegible]

[illegible] Arthur's name was given to Mrs. Pollok for investigation. The Secretary of the Filmore Committee reported he is going to consult [illegible] and [illegible], after which time he will make a final report.

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On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and carried, the Acting Executive Secretary is to receive additional compensation at the rate of $25.00 per month for the period she has served and will serve in that capacity.

Bills and current expenses on Demands No. 54 and 55, amounting to $7713.60, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 P.M.

Vida B. Young
Acting Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco

San Francisco, May 19, 1926

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 P.M., Mr. Henry B. Mills acting as Chairman.

Present: Mr. Henry B. Mills;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mrs. Mildred Pollok;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley;
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 21st were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the Potrero Hill district came before the Commission in regard to the exact location for the establishment of a Playground in that district.

Mr. W. H. Werner, Mrs. Koch and several others spoke favoring certain locations.

The Chairman of the Grounds Committee reported that he is still of the opinion that the playground should be located on the crown of the hill, the exact location being as follows:First parcel, between Arkansas and Missouri Streets, and from 23rd St. to a point 550 feet northerly therefrom, (i.e. toward 22nd St.) Alternate parcel, the entire two blocks bounded by 22nd, 23rd, Arkansas and Missouri Streets.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the site on the top of the hill, as recommended by Mr. McLaren, is to be selected as the location for the development of the Playground.

The Secretary was asked to notify Mr. Phillips to appraise this property on the Potrero Hill which has been selected by the Grounds Committee as the most suitable location for the establishment of a playground in that district, and to work in conjunction with Mr. Purser, our Engineer.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Golden Gate Valley Association, thanking the Commission for the assistance rendered on the occasion of their May festival at Funston Playground on the 2nd of May. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. F. Sorkin, Superintendent of the Municipal Railway, requesting special cars to handle the children coming to and from the May festival on May 22nd. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss M. Philomere asking for her salary for the month of April, 1926, in the sum of $300. It was the consensus of opinion that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the City Attorney, together with information regarding the resolution appertaining to the position of Executive Secretary being declared vacant, and the Commissions' action is to be governed by the City Attorney's advice.

A communication was received from Mrs. J. J. Blesma, Corresponding Secretary of the Argonne Parent-Teachers' Association, stating that the Commission recently named the new Playground, located at 16th and 17th Avenue, between Geary and Anza streets, "Argonne." It was the consensus of opinion that the naming of this ground be held in abeyance until a future meeting, after which time their association would be notified accordingly. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from James Rolph Jr., Mayor of the City and County of San Francisco, stating that he would be present at the ground breaking ceremonies at the new Chinese Playground site on Friday afternoon, May 21st. But after looking over the tentative plans that Mr. Purser has drawn up, the Commission passed the following motion, made by Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, that the date for holding this ceremony is not to be determined until definite plans have been formulated for the improvement of this site.

The Commission decided to visit the ground in a body next Wednesday morning, May 26th, at 11 A.M. and the Secretary was instructed to send out notices accordingly.

The Secretary was instructed to direct a communication to the Mayor, notifying him of the postponement of the ground breaking ceremonies.

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A communication was received from Daniel J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, stating that he will have the necessary police detail at the May Festival on Saturday, May 22nd.

A communication was received from the Glen Park Community Club, enclosing a copy of the letter they forwarded to the Board of Supervisors, in which they request them to include an appropriation in the sum of $15,000 for the completion of the main sewer thru the Glen Park Playground.

The Commission requested the Secretary to forward a communication to the Board of Supervisors, urging them to set aside such appropriation, and also to notify Mr. Murphy, the Secretary of the Glen Park Community Club, of such action. Letters ordered filed.

A communication was received from John A. Rogers, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, enclosing a petition from residents in the vicinity of Vallejo and Sansome Streets, asking for the establishment of a playground in the rear of the Washington Irving School. Ordered filed, and the Grounds Committee to make an investigation of this site, and report back at the next meeting of the Playground Commission.

The Secretary was asked to notify Mr. Rogers and the Secretary of the group petitioning for the playground that the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation and report.

A communication was received, signed "A Mother" asking for the establishment of a playground in the neighborhood of Duncan, Army, Dolores and Guerrero Streets. The Grounds Committee was asked to investigate this location and report back at the next meeting of the Commission. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Sutter Lawn Tennis Club regarding a tennis tournament in Sacramento over the week-end of May 29th, 30th and 31st. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Edward J. Bowen, placing his application for the position of Executive Secretary. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform him that when candidates are considered for this position, his application will receive due consideration.

Alexander Cruz also forwarded an application for the position of Superintendent, and his letter was ordered filed and the Secretary to notify him that he will be informed when applicants are considered for the Executive Secretary's position.

Mr. Mills The Secretary reported that in the absence of Mrs. Otern, and the inability of Mr. Mills to be present at the Recreation Sections of the Council of Social and Health Agencies, she had represented the Commission, and the action taken there-in was resulted in the establishment of two committees, one on Organization, and the other Committee on Nominating Officers.

As soon as the Organization Committee draws up the Constitution and By-Laws, the Council Secretary will call another meeting, at which time the Commission will be asked to send representatives. The purpose of the Recreation Council is to co-ordinate recreation throughout the city, and to act as a clearing house for recreation problems.

The Secretary further reported that the May Festival plans were progressing very satisfactorily, and that the plans for the annual dinner, to be held at the Fairmont Hotel Annex, were being completed.

The Superintendent was specially invited to both of these functions, and a special rate was secured for such occasions.

The Superintendent reported that on the 16th Avenue side the Field House has been completed and all the recreation installed, thus completing the playground.

Field Secretary reported also the planning and construction of the field. This have been started, and the asphalt has been laid for the tennis court.

It appears, however, that it will still be necessary to petition the Board of Supervisors to widen Funston Drive, in view of the fact that no action has been taken to do the work to date.

Motion was made by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Otern and carried, that the Secretary was instructed to ask the Board of Supervisors the petition that they widen Funston Drive, a portion between Fulton and Lincoln Place, from a point 175 feet northerly from Lincoln St. to its northerly termination at Anza St.

Mr. Auger reported that at the Presidio reservation Playground, the asphalt and the new concrete for the tennis courts and the Presidio portion of the road is progressing satisfactorily.

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He also reported that Mr. Clyde Healy, of the Engineer's office, had a report to render regarding the 26th and Douglass site. Mr. Healy informed the Commission that it would be necessary to expend the sum of $15,000 on improving this site before the fiscal year expires, and he also states the importance of using the major portion of that money in the construction of a fence. It was the concensus of opinion that the Commission investigate this site and give a report within the next ten days.

Mr. Healy was also asked to draw up specifications for fencing, the cost of this work being in the vicinity of $5000 or $6000.

Mr. Auger reported that he had seen the City Attorney regarding Miss Isabel Letham's claim. He advises that Miss Letham get in touch with their office and explain particulars regarding the accident, and if it is necessary for a hearing, the City Attorney will represent this department. He will be informed thru the City Attorney's office if the Playground Department is to meet this item.

Mr. Auger called to the Commission's attention the need to have him authorized to sign all slips for the withdrawal of money from the San Francisco Municipal Camp Fund, due to a change in our personnel.

It was the concensus of opinion that Mr. Auger be so authorized, and the Secretary to forward a communication to the Liberty Bank to this effect.

Mr. Auger was further authorized to arrange to have a revolving fund of $500 set aside to be deposited with the first National Bank of Sonora, Sonora, Calif.

Mr. Auger further stated that bonds be required of Miss Vera B. Young, in the sum of $5000, and Mr. Roscoe Allen and Mr. Robert Hamill, in the sum of $1000 each. It was the concensus of opinion that these bonds be required, and the necessary arrangements made to procure them.

Mr. Joseph Phillips came before the Commission and called to their attention the fact that the condemnation proceedings on the land adjacent to the Spring Valley Playground terminate in August. The Commission advised Mr. Phillips that they will definitely take up the matter to purchase this property commencing the first of July.

Mr. Carlin, of Tuolumne County, came before the Commission requesting land at the Municipal Camp for the establishment of a gasoline station and a short-order restaurant. The matter was referred to the Camp Committee.

Bills and current expenses on Demands #6, 57 and 58, amounting to $10,194.75 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Otern, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:10 P.M.

Vera B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, June 2, 1926.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 4:15 P.M., Mr. Henry S. Mills presiding as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Henry S. Mills
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy
Mr. Constant J. Auger

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mr. John McLaren
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of May 19th were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS.

Mrs. Auger, of the Marek - Wawona District, came before the Commission in the interest of having the Commission establish a playground in that district, and the Grounds Committee was asked to render a final report on a suitable location for a playground.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Daniel J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, thanking the Commission for the courteous letter forwarded to their department regarding the May Festival. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Ocean View Improvement Club inquiring whether additional land could be purchased in the Ocean View playground site in the coming fiscal year. The Secretary was instructed to inform them that whenever the budget items are allocated for the next fiscal year, we can inform them as to the amount set aside for additional purchase of land. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Conrad Hinder, Special Representative, Eastern Division, thanking us for forwarding a copy of our May Festival program, and stating he has forwarded it to the National headquarters.

Another communication was received from Mr. Braden, requesting the Community Recreation School of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, and he asks that we fix the date by the attendance of the interested parties. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Council of Social Agencies, dated June 2, and a meeting of Wednesday, June 9, at 4 o'clock, at the Hall of Flowers, of the Recreation Committee of the Association Council. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to be present -- one of the first meetings of the Association Council however possible.

The Secretary was further instructed to write a letter thanking Mr. [illegible] for the courtesy and [illegible]

A communication was received from Mrs. Pollock requesting an appointment of some one [illegible] at the Recreation Council for Marina and Fort Mason. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Municipal City Engineer, asking the Playground Commission to [illegible] Communication ordered filed in the meantime and Secretary to get in touch with Engineer's office.

A communication was received from Mrs. Frank J. Phillips, with the approval of the Board of the Society for [illegible] requesting the Commission to [illegible] Communication ordered filed.

.ROUTINE

The Secretary reported that [illegible] the Commission for the first [illegible] Auditorium and [illegible] the Commission [illegible] Mr. Auger [illegible]

The Secretary further reported that the [illegible] Playground with an Improvement [illegible] Commission, the Parks Engineer, and [illegible]

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The Secretary also asked permission to hold the annual picnic of the San Francisco Playgrounds at Glen Park on the 5th of July, and was authorized to request a sum of money from the 4th of July Committee, with which to purchase prizes for this occasion.

The Superintendent reported that the Shower Room at Funston Playground needs certain necessary repairing, and was authorized to proceed with this work.

The Superintendent further reported that the new filtration plant at the Mission Bath House has been installed.

The Engineer reported that the work at the Presidio Reservation site is progressing very satisfactorily, and that certain work there necessitated hiring a caterpillar from Caufield, Farrar and Carlin for a period of ten days. He further reported that Colonel Rolles is constructing a bridle path adjacent to the Playground. The Commission decided to put up signs to help safeguard the children from any danger from the passing horses.

The question of an entrance to this Playground was also discussed and the Secretary was asked to communicate with Colonel Rolles requesting the installation of a gateway on Spruce Street, and if permission to construct the gateway is not granted, the Engineer will see that a slope is constructed instead, to provide admission to the playground.

The Engineer further reported that the tiling for the Bath Houses is nearly completed, and he was authorized to have a tile setter employed to install the tiles at both of the Bath Houses.

The Engineer reported that there is an available playground site at the west portal of the tunnel, approximately 150 to 200 feet, and in close proximity a school will be erected in the near future. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee introduced the following Resolution, which was, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Mills, unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS:

That Mr. Constant J. Auger of West Twin B. Young are hereby authorized to make withdrawals from the San Francisco Municipal Camp Fund at the Liberty Bank. It is further resolved that Miss Zeda B. Young or Mr. Roscoe H. Allen are hereby authorized to make withdrawals from the San Francisco Municipal Camp Fund in the First National Bank of Oakland, Oakland, Calif.

The Secretary was instructed to inform every member of the Commission of the Resolution.

Mr. Mills stated that the Grounds Committee, in the absence of Mr. Rutherford, asked that the Commission be notified that both the Merrimac site, and the portion of Bayview Park, adjacent City and Lake, let all contracts for the grading, street work and planting, etc., contracts to be covered by the $1,000 available for the development of this site.

The following current expenses be allowed as follows, totalling $1430.37, and a voucher for the same ordered drawn, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, viz:- paid in the usual manner.

The meeting adjourned, thereafter, the meeting to be held at the hour of [illegible].

Zeda B Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 16, 1926.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M, Mr. Henry S. Mills acting as Chairman.

Present: Mr. Henry S. Mills,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mrs. Mildred Pollock.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley.
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of June 2nd, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

REPRESENTATIVES

Miss Florence Freidman, of the Visitacion Valley Community Center appeared before the Commission asking that a Playground be established in that district. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for a definite report.

Mrs. Felton, of the Associated Charities, appeared before the Commission and asked that they consider the possibility of establishing a Camp for children, especially boys, at Camp Lilienthal, during the summer months. The matter was referred to Mr. Auger, Chairman of our Camp Committee, to investigate and report back to the Commission.

Bids for the general construction of the Crimmins Playground were received as follows:-

BIDDER	AMOUNT OF BID	CERTIFIED CHECK
O. C. W. Haun	$11,410.75	$1,200.00
Healdts Construction Co.	11,[illegible].62	1,000.00
Bay Improvement Co.	1,[illegible].66	1,000.00
F. A. Pierrist Co.	13,177.60	1,000.00
M. J. Treacy	12,[illegible].68	1,000.00
Negretto Construction Co.	11,[illegible].25	1,000.00
Hunt and Hunt	10,114.00	1,000.00
Eaton and Smith	12,[illegible].15	1,000.00
Hacke & Brown	13,7[illegible].00	(did not submit)

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollock and carried, the work is to be awarded to the lowest bidder, namely, O. C. W. Haun.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Young Women Hebrew Association, thanking the Commission for the use of the Hamilton Junior Courts. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Captain J. O'Brien, Chief of Police, stating that he was having the Juvenile Officers investigate the report regarding the Margaret J. Hayward Playground. Ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to thank the Chief of Police for the courtesy shown the matter.

A communication was received from Geraldine W. Russell, secretary of the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, relative to the Merrimac site, stating that the Association does not favor the use of the Merrimac site for playground purposes, and requesting that the Commission withdraw its name from the list of endorsers and has retained Mr. Mills' name on the list. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Hazel [illegible], asking as to request for the position of Playground Director. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary will forward the application blank.

A communication was received from the Crown Zellerbach Co., [illegible] the use of the [illegible] playground [illegible]. Ordered filed, and the Secretary [illegible] in this regard.

A communication was received from [illegible] requesting the use of the Market-Hall Court at the Hamilton [illegible]. The request was [illegible] instructed to [illegible] a permit for [illegible]. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from J. M. Dykman, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, notifying us that on the [illegible] matter, the Board [illegible] for [illegible] authorized to use the [illegible] for [illegible]. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. H. Wise Hunt, Attorney, stating that Miss [illegible], former teacher at [illegible], is entitled to the sum of $300 as her salary for the month of April. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary of Finance is [illegible] the matter to [illegible].

A communication was received from [illegible] direct factory representative of the American Playground Device Co., asking to have an opportunity to put on Playground equipment [illegible] at the Market Court. Ordered filed and the Superintendent to get in touch with Mr. Pollock when he is ready to [illegible] equipment.

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REPORTS

The Secretary reported that the Jackson Playground children gave their play at the Public Library on June 5th, and it proved very satisfactory.

The Secretary presented the May Festival pictures which were taken by the San Francisco Newspapers on the day of the festival, May 15, 1926.

The Secretary further reported that camp registrations have been received as follows:

First Excursion	105
Second "	116
Third "	73
Fourth "	48
Fifth "	8

Vacation activities have been planned for the playground children, to include picnics, hikes and swimming lessons.

The Secretary also reported that the Bond forms for Mr. Allen, Mr. Mankin and Miss Young are now on file in the City Auditor's office.

The Secretary also suggested that an announcement be published in the papers advising the general public that they may secure expert advice in regard to the purchase and installation of apparatus in their back yards, by calling in at the Playground office. This suggestion has been offered as a solution to keeping as many children off the city streets as possible especially during the school vacation period.

The Commission advised the Secretary to make such announcement in the local newspapers.

The Secretary was further instructed to secure prices and information regarding the installation of a booklet describing the recreation facilities of the San Francisco Playground Commission.

The Superintendent reported that the building at Hamilton Playground has been completed. The Fred W. Sharon Field House is nearing completion and the tennis courts will be completed in the near future. As soon as the carpenters can be secured, the storage rooms at Funston will be repaired.

At the very next [illegible] will be ordered for the Presidio [illegible].

Mr. Mosser reported that in view of the fact that no sand work has been [illegible], it will be necessary to remove the [illegible] and to [illegible] in the sand. [illegible] of Mrs. Stern, [illegible] Mr. Young was authorized to secure an assistant [illegible] office.

In discussing surfacing at the Presidio Reservation site, it was the consensus of opinion that tan bark be placed on this playground.

[illegible] Committee, reported [illegible] to Mrs. Stern, and [illegible] from Colonel Hall from [illegible].

[illegible] for the Playground [illegible] Committee, [illegible] the Parks Commission [illegible] Chairman.

[illegible] Mr. Young [illegible] Mr. Mosser, [illegible] and [illegible] to secure [illegible] Mr. Young [illegible] Mr. Mosser [illegible] Mr. Young [illegible] Mr. Mosser [illegible] Mr. Young [illegible] Mr. Mosser

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 9, 1926

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day, at the hour of 2:30 P.M., for the purpose of determining how funds would be allocated for the Playground Commission's 1926-1927 budget.

Present: Mr. Henry B. Mills,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.
Mr. John McLaren,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.
Mrs. Mildred Pollok.

The Commission decided to hold in abeyance the amount the laborers will receive for the next fiscal year, until the Grounds Committee has had an opportunity to make a thorough investigation of the Playgrounds.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the Commission decided to enlarge the Spring Valley Playground by the purchase of that site on the corner of Broadway and Larkin Streets, and asked the Secretary to communicate with Mr. Phillips to proceed immediately with the purchase of this land.

The Commission also decided to purchase land in the Ocean View Playground site, to the extent of $30,000, and decided also to include in the budget the sum of $25,000 for the purchase of land on the Potrero Hill.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, the Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Phillips and ask that he inform us in what manner we can start to purchase the Potrero Hill playground this year, and to complete the purchase in several successive years.

The Commission further decided to make improvements on the following sites and to purchase additional land whenever funds will be available for that purpose.

University Mound	-	Improvements
Ocean View	-	Improvements
Bay View	-	Improvements
Potrero Hill	-	Improvements
Sunset District	-	Purchase
Visitacion Valley	-	Purchase
West Portal	-	Improvements
Eureka Valley (Corona Heights)	-	Purchase.

The following is the Commission's allocation of budget funds for the fiscal year, 1926-1927:

Receipts		Expenses		
Est. '26-27 funds,	$365,000.-	A PERSONAL (Directors & Employees)		$168,000.
Est. Bal., '25-26,	9,000.-	B NON-PERSONAL		
	$374,000.-	a-Personal	$ 500.-	
		b-Contractural, other service	25,400.-	
		c-Materials & Supplies	39,600.-	
		d-Equipment, old grounds	1,000.-	
				66,500.
		e-Property Improvements		
		1-Bay View: Filling in	2,500.-	
		2-Funston	5,000.-	
		3-Hamilton	500.-	
		4-Excelsior	2,000.-	
		5-Chinatown	17,000.-	
				27,000.
		f-Purchase of Land		
		1-Spring Valley	45,000.-	
		2-Ocean View	30,000.-	
		3-Mission	12,500.-	
		4-Potrero	25,000.-	
				112,500.
				$374,000.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Ella B. [illegible]
Acting Executive Secretary

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San Francisco, July 21, 1926.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:30 P.M., Mr. Constant J. Auger acting as Chairman pro tem in the absence of Mr. Henry B. Mills.

Present: Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Rev. P. C. Crowley
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg
Mr. Henry B. Mills

Mr. Fox and Mr. Klawans, of the Grand Jury, met with the Commission.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 16th were, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, approved as read.

The minutes of the special meeting of July 9th were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, approved as read.

Approval of the minutes of the Special meeting of July 16th, was postponed until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association appeared before the Commission in the interest of obtaining more outside equipment at the Funston Playground. The Commission assured the delegation that the sum of $5000 had been set aside for the purpose of making such improvements, and work would be commenced in the near future.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Shine appeared before the Commission for the purpose of determining whether the final payment for the Mary A. Swift property was to be passed by the Commission. Communications from the City Attorney's office and from the City Title Insurance Co. were read, showing that itwas in order to make the final payment, and the Commission passed the final payment, in the sum of $1,250.24 on Demand No. 5.

A request was read from the director at Mission Playground, asking that the Commission install a lighting system there, in order that adults may have the use of the tennis and basketball courts after dark.

A petition from residents in the vicinity of the Argonne Playground, asking for the same privilege, was read, and the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation and report.

Communications ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to communicate with other recreation departments regarding evening activities for adults.

A communication from the Park Presidio Improvement Association was read, asking for the withdrawal of the Playground adjoining the Fire House on 12th Ave. No. This matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation, and the communication ordered filed.

Communications from [illegible] and Letter by Mail were read, giving [illegible] Pools. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Education, Parks and Playground Committee of the Board of Supervisors, recommending that the Commission name the new Chinatown playground the "Sai Yee Valley" in recognition of the work done by Mrs. Valley in [illegible] that neighborhood.

The Commission decided to hold this matter in abeyance until the next regular meeting of the Commission, when the report from the Committee on the Naming of New Grounds will be heard, and the Commission will go on record in regard to naming playgrounds after living Commissioners.

A communication was received from the Council of Social and Health Agencies regarding the consolidation of the Council with the Community Chest. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Playground and Recreation Association of America, inviting the Commission to send a delegate to the Fifteenth Annual Recreation Congress at Atlantic City, New Jersey, from October 18th to 22nd. The Secretary was instructed to inform the Playground and Recreation Association that at present, conditions do not warrant our sending a delegate, but if it is possible at that time to do so, we will be glad to send a delegate.

A communication was received from the San Francisco Sierra Motor Coach Line regarding transportation to Camp. The Secretary was asked to obtain full particulars, and report to the Camp Committee.

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A communication was received from M. N. Coghlan, Real Estate dealer, inquiring if the Commission would be interested in purchasing a piece of land adjacent to the Columbia Park Playground on Harriet Street. The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Coghlan that we are not interested in this property inasmuch as the playground adjoining this lot does not come under our jurisdiction. Communication ordered filed.

A testimonial from the first group of campers, commending the management and personnel of the San Francisco Municipal Camp was read and ordered filed.

REPORTS

The Secretary (very satisfactorily) reported that the Playground Baseball League is progressing, and will probably be completed within the next few weeks.

The Secretary further reported that the number of excursionists who had signed up for the August 1st excursion totalled 104 and that 40 had signed up for August 15th.

He also reported that Major Brade., Special Western Representative of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, had addressed all the directors on Thursday, July 15th, on "The Why of Summer Playgrounds," and that his talk had proved especially interesting.

The Superintendent reported that the dressing rooms at Funston had been repaired and were very satisfactory. He also reported that the [illegible] had decayed, [illegible] had been replaced by a [illegible] foot pole. Flag poles have also been installed at the New Presidio [illegible] and on the girls' side of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground.

The Commission asked the Secretary to obtain circulars from the military authorities regarding the proper procedure and ceremony due the American Flag, and also to send them to all the Directors.

It was decided to dedicate the Presidio reservation Playground on Wednesday, July 28th, and Mrs. Stern was asked to make all arrangements for this occasion.

The Engineer reported that it would require approximately $1500 to furnish the field house at the new Presidio Playground. On motion of [illegible], seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided to set aside this sum for the furnishing of the field house, and Mrs. Stern is to make the selections. Mr. Rohrbach assured the Commission that he will furnish some plants for the outside of the field house.

The Engineer reports that he has investigated the land at the [illegible] portal entrance of the tunnel, and has learned that this land belongs to the Municipal Railway Company, and is under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Works. He further reported that he had received unofficial permission from the City Engineer to go ahead with the work.

He also reported that contract had been let for the fencing, grading and piping at the 26th and Douglass site. Mr. McLaren asked for permission to level this ground, which was granted. It was the consensus of opinion that the Commission ask the City Engineer to delay this work for a time, and the Secretary was instructed to write such a letter to the City Engineer.

Mr. Fraser presented sketches of the stairway at the new Chinese playground.

Mr. Fraser reported that it is not possible to conduct a boys' camp at Alhambra Hall, as requested by Miss [illegible] of the Associated Charities, as this property is about to be [illegible] and sub-divided into building lots.

Mr. Clemens, a member of the Boys' Club, asked what the Board Surveyors' [illegible] of the Commission would do in case of necessity be divorced [illegible] condition. It was the consensus of opinion [illegible].

Mr. [illegible], the Secretary, stated [illegible] need for more playgrounds, and [illegible] appeared before the Finance [illegible], when our Board [illegible].

[illegible] Mrs. S. [illegible], and Mr. [illegible], and the meeting adjourned at the hour [illegible].

Respectfully submitted,

Ida B. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 25, 1926.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2:15 P.M., Mr. Henry B. Mills acting as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Henry B. Mills,

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the special meeting of July 15th, were, on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, approved as read.

The minutes of the meeting of July 21st were, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried, approved as read.

REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Rhine, who is interested in the closing of Cunningham Place and the provision of a turning base in that thoroughfare, appeared before the Commission with respect to that matter, which has been pending.

The Secretary read a communication which was forwarded by Mr. Healy, of the City Engineer's office, and after discussing the diagram which our Engineer had prepared, and which was approved by the City Engineer's office, the Commission passed the following resolution, which was made on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried:

RESOLVED: That Cunningham Place be closed from a point 179' westerly from Valencia Street to its westerly termination at Angelica Streets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That in consideration of this request the Playground Commission is willing to set aside a turning base to include the following area to wit: Commencing Place distant thereon 100' westerly from the westerly line of Valencia Street; thence at right angles to the said line of Cunningham Place southerly a distance of 15'; thence at right angles westerly a distance of 81.779'; thence curving to the left on an arc tangent to the preceding course whose radius is 31.638' a distance of 25.634'; thence curving to the right on an arc tangent to the preceding arc whose radius is 20', a distance of 47.124'; thence northerly on a curve tangent to the preceding course a distance of 10.417'; thence at right angles easterly a distance of 79' to the point of commencement.

The Secretary was asked to forward a communication to the Streets Committee of the Board of Supervisors, informing them of the Commission's action in the matter, and also to forward a copy of the communication to Mr. Andrew Gallagher. Chairman of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee in order that he could personally see that the matter is passed upon as soon as possible.

Mrs. Bauer, representing the Eureka Valley District, asked the Commission to again consider the establishment of a Playground in the Eureka Valley district. The Engineer presented a drawing of an available site, fronting on Seward St. The Secretary was asked to communicate with Mr. Phillips of the Engineer's office, and ascertain from him the value of this property.

COMMUNICATIONS

In discussing the dedication of Playgrounds, it was the consensus of opinion that those playgrounds which should be dedicated have this ceremony performed on Saturday afternoons, between the hours of 2:30 and 4 P.M., commencing in the month of September. The Secretary was asked to determine when such dedications should be, and report back to the Commission.

In discussing the need of a worker in the Playground Department to establish the contact between the Directors on the grounds and the office, on motion of Mr. Esberg, seconded by Mr. McLaren and unanimously carried, it was resolved that we employ Miss Jose hine Kendall for part-time work as a temporary assistant to the Acting Executive Secretary, at the rate of $125 per month, commencing September 1st.

The Chairman of the Naming of the Grounds Committee decided to hold the next meeting of that Committee on Wednesday morning, September 1st, at 10 A.M

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The Chairman of the Play Committee decided to have the next meeting of the Play Committee on Wednesday morning, September 1st, at 10:30 A.M., and the Secretary to send out notices accordingly.

A communication was received from the Cogswell Polytechnic High School asking for the use of the James Rolph Jr. Playground for football practice. It was the consensus of opinion that this be granted, and also that the other grounds, namely Jackson, Southside and Funston be used for similar purposes by those high schools wishing to have access to these grounds. The Secretary was instructed to notify those concerned. Ordered filed.

A communication was read from the Park-Presidio Improvement Association, suggesting names for the naming of the Presidio Heights Playground. Communication referred to the Naming of the Grounds Committee, and the Secretary to thank the Association for their suggestions.

A communication was received from Captain H. H. Gilbert of the Presidio, authorizing the Commission to proceed with the opening of a gate-way through the south wall of the Presidio Military Reservation in the westerly side-walk area of Spruce Street. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to instruct Captain Gilbert that we appreciate this permission and will proceed with the opening of the gate-way immediately.

In response to a communication sent to the recreation departments of Sacramento, Oakland, Los Angeles and Berkeley inquiring about the lighting of playgrounds, and evening activities conducted by these departments, communications were received. As a result of these communications, the Engineer was authorized to investigate the expense of lighting the tennis and basket ball courts at Argonne, Mission and the Margaret S. Hayward Playgrounds.

A communication was received from Mat T. Messer regarding leasing the property at 126 Montana street to Frank Girolomo for another years' period. It was the consensus of opinion that the Engineer investigate this property, and also the premises at 128 Montana street, and if satisfactory, the Secretary is to notify Mr. Messer that we will renew the two leases for a years' period.

A communication was received from Mrs. Edith Barker, secretary of the Crocker- Amazon Great Improvement Association, asking the Playgrounds Commission to establish a playground in that district, and they especially recommend a site bounded by Geneva, Moscow, Dublin and France streets. Communication ordered filed, and the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

A communication was received from the Mayor's office regarding an application of Miss Alice A. Cummins for the position of Executive Secretary to the Commission. The letter was ordered filed, and the application will be considered along with other applications when the Commission is to make definite appointments in the administrative staff.

A communication was received from the City Attorney's office informing us that the Industrial Accident Commission denied the application of Mrs. Margaret Morrissey for the compensation of an award heretofore made in her behalf. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Fitzgerald of the board of Public Works stating that they had passed a resolution which was directed to the Board of Supervisors, asking for an appropriation of $1500 to defray the cost of completing the installation of the main sewer in Glen Park Playground. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary to notify Mr. Fitzgerald of its receipt.

A communication was received from the former secretary, Miss M. Philbrook Gough, asking for a reply to her letter of April 22nd, in which she requested her salary for the month of April in the sum of $250. It was the consensus of opinion that this sum be paid less wages with the understanding that she give a receipt from Miss the Secretary was to procure from the City Attorney's office, stating that this is the last and final payment to be made by the Commission to Miss Gough. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from a resident in the vicinity of the Argonne Playground, asking that the fence be heightened in this playground. Matter was ordered filed and the matter referred to the Engineer for investigation.

Several letters were received from concessionists to the camp, and also a petition for permanent improvements to be made at Mather. The Secretary was requested to take up these matters with the camp committee.

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REPORTS

The Secretary reported that the vacation base-ball tournament for Junior and Senior boys was completed the last week of school vacation, and further, that awards would be given out in the near future. It was the concensus of opinion that these awards be given out in the Playground office and that some representative baseball player present them.

The Secretary further reported that over 630 people had attended the Camp during the entire season, from June 20th to August 28th, and very satisfactory reports of the Management and every phase of the Camp life has been received at this office. The campers are also sending in their negatives, in order that we will be able to keep a copy of worth while pictures on file in the playground office.

The Secretary was given permission to proceed with the outlining of the fall program, to include such activities as tennis, basketball, soccer and the like.

The Secretary also presented a request from the Frank McCoppin Parent-Teachers Assn. asking for the establishment of a playground in the schoolyard. The Secretary was authorized to look over this ground and report on the advisability of establishing a Schoolyard playground.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. McLaren and unanimously carried, Miss Winifred Batkin, who has been temporarily employed since June 15th, is to be permanently employed as a stenographer at the rate of $85 per month.

The Secretary also reported that she has been getting information regarding prices on thepublication of a pamphlet for the department, and will make her report to the chairman of the Finance Committee.

The Engineer reported that he would have specifications ready for calling for apparatus bids in the very near future. This apparatus is to be used on the Chinese Playground.

In discussing the location of the sand-box at the Jackson Playground, it was decided to have the Engineer make a study of this playground with a view to changing the location of the sand box.

Mr. McLaren, Chairman of the Grounds Committee, has consented to furnishing plants for the Presidio Reservation Playground.

The Secretary was asked to communicate with Colonel Bellas and request that the clay which is in front of the playground at the Presidio Reservation be removed.

The Secretary was asked to communicate with the California Automobile Assn. with a view to having signs placed at the Presidio Reservation Playground advising motorists that children are at play.

The Engineer was asked to proceed with the plan of completing the construction of courts on Funston Playground. The Engineer was also asked to present the University Mound plan for the completion of the development of this Ground.

Demands #6 and 7, amounting to $11,659.22 were, on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

Ida D Young

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 1, 1926

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:25 P.M., Mr. Henry B. Mills presiding as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Mr. Henry B. Mills.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of August 25th, with the correction of the wording of the resolution concerning Cunningham Place were, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

Miss Fitch and Miss Felton, who are interested in the establishment of a memorial to Mrs. Stovel, asked the Commission to consider the possibility of establishing such memorial in one section of the lawn area at Mission Playground. This would be in the nature of a Nursery and Kindergarten. After discussing the matter, the Commission decided to investigate costs and full details concerning this proposition, after which time they will come to a definite decision in the matter.

Mr. Healy of the City Engineer's office told the Commission that the Streets Committee will be in accord with the Commission's recommendation for the closing of Cunningham Place.

In regard to advertising for bids for Playground equipment for the Playground site in Chinatown, the Secretary was authorized to proceed with this and to notify the apparatus concerns who might be interested in bidding.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from R. F. Fitzgerald, asking when the Commission is going to take action on the purchase of property in the Ocean View site. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to respond stating that the matter has been referred to the Appraiser.

A communication was received from the President of the Associated Students of Sacred Heart College, thanking the Commission for permission to use Funston Playground to practice football. Ordered filed.

The Secretary presented a form drawn up by the City Attorney's office regarding thesettlement with the former Secretary of the Playground Commission. The form was approved by the entire Commission present, and the Secretary was instructed to have Miss Hagen sign this form upon the receipt of her check for the month of April, in the sum of $300.

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The Secretary reported that she had visited the Frank McCoppin Schoolyard, and finds that it will make a very satisfactory schoolyard playground. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the Schoolyard is to be opened immediately.

The Secretary further reported that baseball awards will be presented in the office of the Commission on Saturday morning, September 4th, at 10 A.M., and the presentation of awards will be made by Messrs. Cole, Boone and Swanson, three players on the Mission team. Mrs. Stern also consented to give a trophy.

The next Playground Directors meeting will be on Tuesday, September 7th, at 10:30 A.M.

The Secretary further reported that a boys' swimming meet has been scheduled for Saturday, September 11th, at North Beach tank, at 2:30 P.M., and a meet for girls at the Mission Tank on Saturday, September 18th, at 2:30 P.M.

The Superintendent reported that the carpenters are completing the building of benches and kindergarten tables, and also that the men are at work at Glen Park repairing fences and other needed improvements.

The Field House at Jackson Playground is being painted and as soon as this is completed the lines on the tennis courts and basketball courts will be repainted.

He also reported that the Lavatories at Excelsior have been repaired, and that sand and tan bark are being ordered for all the grounds which require them.

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The Superintendent called the Commission's attention to the need of resurfacing Hamilton Playground. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger and unanimously carried, the Superintendent was instructed to proceed with the resurfacing of Hamilton.

Mr. Reardon, in the absence of Mr. Phillips, came before the Commission regarding several sites which the Commission is contemplating purchasing.

In discussing the property on the Potrero Hill, it was unanimously decided, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, that we place condemnation proceedings on the site located at Arkansas, Missouri, 23rd and a line 550 feet northerly from the northerly line of 23rd Street.

In discussing the Ocean View property, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and unanimously carried, it was decided that we buy all the vacant lots in those two blocks to the full extent of the appropriation set aside, namely $30,000.00, and the Secretary tonotify Mr. Phillips accordingly.

In discussing the playground site in the Eureka Valley district, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, it was agreed to place a condemnation suit on that property which fronts on Seward Street, southerly from 19th Street, in Assessor block #2714, and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Phillips accordingly.

The Engineer reported as follows: In company with Mr. Cavill of the City Engineer's office he made a thorough investigation of the lighting of the tennis and basketball courts on several of the playgrounds. In discussing costs, the Commission decided to ask the Engineer to get in touch with the Park Commission and ascertain what success they have had with lighting their courts.

The Engineer presented a plan of the proposed Field House at the Chinese Playground, and was asked to draw up a floor plan, keeping in mind the possibility of enlarging the Field House at some future date.

The Engineer presented the plan for the upper portion of the University Mound Playground, which was made in December, 1925, but the Commission expressed a desire to have a new plan drawn up, keeping in mind the possibility of installing a swimming pool at some future time.

The Engineer was also asked to make further inquiry about how this Commission can proceed with acquiring that land over the West Portal Entrance of the Twin Peaks Tunnel.

The Chairman of the Play Committee reported as follows: Mr. Ralph Marron is to be assigned to the Margaret S. Hayward Playground, commencing October 1st. Mr. Ernest Pera, who is at present working at Excelsior Playground, is to be interviewed by the Chairman of the Play Committee and a definite appointment will be made to this Playground.

Miss Melva Farwell is to be employed as one of the directors at Funston Playground, working in co-operation with Miss Harris. Mr. Farley Mohun is to be assigned to the new schoolyard, which will be opened in the near future, namely Frank McCoppin.

Demands #9 and #10, and payrolls amounting to $4292.00, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

Vera B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 15, 1926.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M., Mr. Henry S. Mills acting as Chairman.

Present — Henry S. Mills
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Constant Auger

Absent — Rev. D. O. Crowley
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok

The minutes of September 1st, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the office of Colonel Rolles asking that we consider a retired Indian War veteran, Peter Hellman, by name, for the position of caretaker on the Presidio Reservation Playground. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried the matter was referred to the Play Committee for its decision in this matter.

A communication was received from Mrs. Stovell, Secretary of the San Francisco Civic Association, calling our attention to the meeting on September 1st regarding arrangements for the Christmas Eve celebration in the auditorium. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to attend the meeting, if possible.

A communication was received from Mr. Mack, Acting Supervisor of Athletics of the Public Schools announcing the weighing-in for the 18th Annual Basketball tournament. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Office enclosing a letter forwarded to their office in regard to the playing of baseball on Argonne Playground. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary reported that baseball is no longer allowed on this playground.

A letter was received from Mr. Cheney requesting that the tennis courts in the Presidio Reservation Playground be closed until 7 P.M. Ordered filed and the Secretary to notify Mr. Cheney that it is the intention of the Commission to post a notice to the effect that the courts are not to be used until that hour.

A communication was received from Mr. Lemo, Secretary of the Park Commission, enclosing a letter from Fred Mack Jr. asking that we increase the size of the tennis courts at the Presidio Reservation Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for further investigation.

A communication was received from Mr. Benedict, Assistant Secretary to the Mayor, acknowledging the Annual Report of the Playground Commission for the fiscal year, 1925-1926.

A communication was received from Chas. P. Dwelgert, Playground Director, asking for a leave of absence and stating, however, that he wishes to continue working for us on Sundays. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to instruct him that when he is ready to return we will keep him in mind but can give him no definite assurance of a re-appointment.

REPORTS

The Secretary reported that on Friday, September 11th, bids for the apparatus to be installed at the Chinatown Playground were opened but no award was made pending the decision of the Commission. On motion of Mr. McLaren seconded by Mr. Auger, it was decided that the matter be referred to the Chairman, Mr. Mills, and the Engineer, to determine the firms who should receive the contract for this equipment.

The Secretary further reported that the Annual Boys' Own Glee Meet which was held at the North Beach Baths on September 11th was very successful and that on Saturday, September 18th the Annual Girls' Swimming Meet is to be held, and the Commission was invited to be present.

The Secretary further reported that the day of the dedication of Funston Playground has been set for October 2nd. The Commission agreed that the Directors of Funston and the Director of M. S. Hayward be given permission to hold a dance on October 9th and November 6th respectively, for the purpose of raising money for camp fire memorabilia, costumes and the like.

The Annual Tennis Tournament of the Playground Department has been scheduled to commence on September 19th.

The Secretary also reported on the approximate cost of printing a booklet for the department and was asked to proceed with definite arrangements toward the actual completion of such booklet.

The Superintendent reported that the cost of re-surfacing Hamilton Playground in a thoroughly satisfactory manner would be approximately $8[illegible].00. In view of the fact that this is in excess of the $[illegible].00 set aside for this purpose, the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee.

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The Superintendent further reported that the Jackson Tennis Courts need re-surfacing and the matter was referred to the Grounds Committee with full power to act.

The Superintendent also reported that the Spring Valley fence has been repaired.

The Engineer reported that he had been making further investigation on the problem of lighting several of the Playgrounds. The Park Commission was not satisfied with the lighting at Golden Gate Park, and the Commission is not desirous of installing the same lighting system as is in vogue at the North Beach Playground because of the unsightly poles. Miss Randall offered to secure complete information from the City of Oxnard regarding the success that they have met in their lighting system.

The Engineer also presented a drawing of the Chinatown Field house and the Commission decided to visit the site in the near future and decide upon a suitable field house for this playground.

Miss Randall reported that she has been visiting the playgrounds but has not completed the department as yet, and at the end of that time will render a complete report regarding her observations.

Mr. Phillips reported that one of the appraisers assisting him has secured an appraisal on the Spring Valley property in the sum of $39..7?.00. He assured us that he is trying to complete the transaction as soon as possible.

Mr. Phillips also reported that he is going ahead on the appraisal of the playground site, in the Eureka Valley district, facing on Seward Street, and also the site on Potrero Hill.

The Commission agreed to compensate Mr. Phillip's appraiser for the actual work necessitated in getting the appraisal on the various playground sites. The Commission requested that Mr. Phillips secure an approximate figure of that portion of Corona Heights which would be suitable for the establishment of a playground site thereon.

The Secretary was asked by the Commission to again forward a letter to the Streets Committee of the Board of Supervisors requesting that the sidewalks at 31st & Folsom be repaired.

The Chairman of the Play Committee reported that Mr. Rae Doughty had been selected to fill the position of man director at Excelsior Playground.

The Grounds Committee reported that they visited the Hetch-Hetchy reservoir site at Geneva, Madison, Dublin and France Streets and found that it would be worthy to consider this site for future extension of the playground system.

The plan of a stadium at 30th & Douglass Streets was presented by Mrs. Stern, the drawing having been made by Mr. Mclaren's office at Golden Gate Park. It will be necessary to get more detailed information before it is possible to go ahead with this plan.

The Secretary was asked to communicate with the Board of Supervisors and ask them that the area over the West Portal of the Twin Peaks Tunnel be turned over to this Department for the development of a playground. The area of this site is approximately 180 feet by 887 feet, and the property faces on Lenox Way and Ulloa Streets.

The Secretary was also asked to inquire of the Board of Education if we may have permission to use the school lot at 14th Avenue near A Street for playground purposes, and make similar arrangements as are in effect with respect to the Argonne playground.

Warrants number 11, 1[illegible], and 13 amounting to $2,7[illegible].[illegible] were, on motion of Mrs. Stern, duly [illegible] by Mr. Auger, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4 P.M.

Edd D. Young

[illegible] Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 6, 1926.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was called to-day at the hour of 10:25 A.M., Mr. Henry H. Mills presiding as Chairman.

Present: Mr. Henry H. Mills,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg

Absent: Mr. John McLaren,
Rev. D. O. Crowley

The purpose of the meeting was to decide the Commission's attitude on Amendment #36, which goes on the ballot and is to be voted upon November 2, 1926. This Amendment places the employees of the Playground Commission under Civil Service

After discussing the Amendment at length, Mr. Auger made a motion that the Playground Commission go on record as being opposed to Amendment #36. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried by those members present, namely Mr. Mills, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Pollok and Mr. Auger. (Mr. Esberg having left.)

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Edd D. Young

Acting Secretary

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San Francisco,

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San Francisco, October 15, 1918.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 4:15 P.M., Mr. Henry D. Mills presiding, as Chairman.

Present: Mr. Henry D. Mills
Mr. Constant C. Aggar
Mr. Willard Kelly
Mr. Rigdon Sears

Absent: Rev. P. C. Conroy
Mr. John Ellert
Mr. Alfred I. Tobin

The minutes of the meeting of September 17th, were on motion of Mr. Aggar, seconded by Mr. M. Kelly, and unanimously carried, approved as read.

The minutes of the Special Meeting of October 4th were on motion of Mr. C. Aggar, seconded by Mr. [illegible] unanimously carried, approved as read.

Communications

A communication was received from the State Housing Association, inviting this Commission to be represented at the Public Meeting to be held at Union Square, on the evening of October 16th.

A communication was received from Mr. Phillips of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Marshall Play Ground for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. Phillips of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Portola School, for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Jefferson School, for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Hamilton School, for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Lincoln School, for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Commerce High School, for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Girls' High School, for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Polytechnic High School, for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Mission High School, for the purpose of erecting thereon a temporary school building. Referred to the Property Committee, with power to act.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] of the Board of Education, requesting the use of the Playground adjacent to the Girls'

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A communication was received from the Sierra Motor Coach Company, regarding transportation to the San Francisco Municipal Camp at Mather. The letter was referred to the Chairman of the Camp Committee.

A communication was received from Mrs. H. E. Ruddee, 168 19th Avenue, asking the Commission to consider establishing a playground in the Presidio Reservation near the Richmond Playground and also the possibility of using the schoolyard of the Adams School for playground purposes. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for report.

A communication was received from Mr. Jose M J. Phillips, our appraiser, informing us that it is necessary to make the resolution accompanying his letter for the purchase of property situated in the proposed Ocean View playground. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Pollok, the resolution for purchasing this property was unanimously carried and the papers are to be forwarded to the departments concerned.

A delegation from the Ocean View Playground called before the Commission to ask what they could do in their power toward completing the purchase of the Playground in that District and placing apparatus thereon so that the children may have an opportunity to play there at an early date. The Chairman informed them that the Commission is purchasing $40,000 worth of property this fiscal year and is anxious to complete the purchase of this playground as soon as it is absolutely possible so to do.

A delegation from the Marina District Association called soliciting the Commission to [illegible] the land at the foot of Baker and Lyon Streets which is now used for [illegible] purposes, for playground purposes, instead of allowing it to the Commission to make [illegible] of it. The Chairman informed them that in view of the fact that this land now [illegible] Commission's jurisdiction, it is up to them to decide what is best.

Mr. Phillips reported that he is ready [illegible] with reports made for the Potrero Playground, [illegible] and will be filed on this property. He also reported that he will get the purchase of the [illegible] Ocean View Playground [illegible] proceedings.

[illegible] reported that the [illegible] Playground [illegible] their meeting on October [illegible].

[illegible], Secretary, [illegible] Jr. [illegible] Jr. will [illegible] Park. The [illegible] will [illegible] Park.

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San Francisco, October 26, 1926.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:50 P. M., Mr. Henry U. Mills presiding as Chairman.

Present: Mr. Henry U. Mills
Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mrs. Almena Stern
Mr. John Ferron
Mr. Constant J. Auzer

Absent: Rev. I. O. Crowley,
Mr. Alfred I. Meyer.

The minutes of the meeting of October 19th were, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auzer, unanimously carried and approved.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the Sunset and Valley District called in to see the Commission, and was represented by Mrs. Cooper of 1[illegible] Street., and Mr. Mornlein.

Supervisors Meloy and Gallagher also appeared in the interest of the establishment of a Playground in this district, and especially recommended that property bounded by [illegible], [illegible], Ivy and Fremont streets.

It was decided, on motion of Mr. Auzer, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, that the matter be referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

Mrs. Griffiths asked that the Commission visit place opposite the Ocean View playground. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation and report.

Mrs. Griffiths was also asked to communicate with the Commission and let them [illegible] this property be [illegible] for the establishment of a Playground in that district, and to ask the Commission [illegible] the amount of available space in that tract [illegible].

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Glen Park Merle Valley Mail Club requesting the use of the Playground [illegible]. The Secretary was instructed to [illegible].

A communication was received from Mrs. A. Cohen requesting that Supervisors Gallagher and Welch, and Mr. Mornlein, President of the Sunset Valley Improvement Association, [illegible] the Commission in the interest of the establishment of a Playground in that [illegible]. Letter ordered filed, in view of the action taken at the meeting.

A communication was received from the Sunset Office acknowledging our letter of [illegible] regarding the completion of the playground [illegible]. Letter ordered filed.

A communication from Supervisor Gallagher, which is a copy of a letter forwarded to Mr. [illegible] regarding the property Mr. Cohen has given to the Park Commission as a gift. It was [illegible] that the proposed [illegible] development [illegible]. Mr. Gallagher desires to be present when the matter comes up for discussion. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Sunset Office acknowledging our letter of [illegible] regarding the [illegible]. Letter ordered filed.

A communication from Supervisor Gallagher, which is a copy of a letter forwarded to Mr. [illegible] regarding the property Mr. Cohen has given to the Park Commission as a gift. It was [illegible] that the proposed [illegible] development [illegible]. Mr. Gallagher desires to be present when the matter comes up for discussion. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Sunset Office acknowledging our letter of [illegible] regarding the [illegible]. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from [illegible] Secretary of the Sunset Improvement Association, requesting that the Commission [illegible] Ocean View playground. Matter referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation and report.

A communication was received from [illegible],

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Center for the winter months when the Bath Houses will be closed. Mr. Center is to work in conjunction with the Engineer and the Grounds Committee.

The dedication of the Presidio Reservation playground will follow that of the Argonne, and will be held on Friday afternoon, November 19th.

The Secretary reported that the next meeting of the Playground Directors will be at 10:30 A.M. November 4th, when Mr. Henry M. Grant, Director of Social Health Education, San Francisco Health Council, will be the speaker.

The Commission sanctioned the date of the May Festival, namely May 14th. They also authorized the Secretary to find out from the Purchaser of Supplies where to purchase carpets for the playground office.

The Engineer was asked to notify the Grounds Committee of all vacant school lots in the Richmond District.

In discussing the Glen Park Playground, Supervisor Gallagher asked that Mr. Kosner confer with Mr. [illegible] regarding the necessary sewer work to be done on this playground.

Supervisor Gallagher also mentioned that a committee had called on the Recreation, Parks and Playgrounds Committee asking for the removal of the [illegible] at Glen Park.

Mr. Gallagher further reported that the closing of Cunningham Place will again be up before the Board of Supervisors in the near future, at which time he would like to have one of the Commissioners present.

The secretary was asked to inquire about the possibility of having a playground supplies in the City Hall.

Mrs. Colby reported that the swimming season would close on [illegible], October 30th. She also mentioned that this was the most successful swimming season [illegible], over 5,000 [illegible] participating, [illegible] swimming meet held [illegible] successful indeed.

She further reported that last year's Doll Carriage parade, in which [illegible] Playground Department were entered, was a huge success, and [illegible].

[illegible] suggested that the Field House on the Boys' side of the Argonne Playground [illegible] painted, that the large slide at Sunset [illegible] broken, and that a triple slide should be installed. [illegible] the installation of a triple slide, which is manufactured [illegible], to be sent to the James Rolph Playground and [illegible] Playground.

The Superintendent further reported that the Excelsior Playground fence needs repairing, and was asked to secure an estimate of the work.

The [illegible] and Golden Gate [illegible].

The [illegible] is ordering plants for the 61st and [illegible] Districts. [illegible] to have the [illegible] and Raymond.

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[illegible] site in the [illegible] Square, [illegible] will be located [illegible] and Ord, and [illegible] lessening of [illegible] is proposed [illegible] situated north of [illegible].

[illegible] was employed as [illegible] at [illegible] per month, commencing [illegible] Director at Presidio [illegible].

[illegible] was [illegible].

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The Grounds Committee reported that the present tennis and basketball courts at Presidio Reservation Playground are inadequate. The Commission decided to take no definite action at this time for the provision of additional courts. However, if they decide in the future to do so, the Engineer and Mrs. Stern have been authorized to arrange with Colonel Welles regarding the removal of the necessary trees.

Bills and current expenses on [illegible] 15, 16 and 17 amounting to $580.15, and payroll demand 14, amounting to $7344.00, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, unanimously approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Vida D. Young

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San Francisco; November 10, 1926.

M I N U T E S

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. It was decided that Mrs. Sigmund Stern serve as Chairman for this meeting and continue to serve in that capacity until the Commission holds its next regular meeting.

In view of the fact that only two members were present, the actions at this minority board meeting will be subject to approval by the Commission at their next regular meeting.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Constant J. Auger

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley
Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg
Mr. John McLaren

The minutes of the meeting of October 26th, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the Ingleside district, represented by Mrs. Calhan and Mr. Lorentzen spoke before the Commission regarding the establishment of a playground on ground adjacent to the Farragut School in the block bounded by Faxon, Grafton, Capitol, and Holloway Streets. Mr. Pierce of 339 Faxon Avenue represented a delegation opposed to this location, and suggested a site on the top of the hill where there would be no danger from automobile traffic. The consensus of opinion was that the matter be referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation and report.

Mr. Hornlein and Mrs. Casper representing the Upper Noe Valley district, asked to withdraw their request for a playground in the site bounded by 27th, 28th, Noe and Castro Streets in preference to property adjacent to the Kate Kennedy School, which is situated on Noe Street, between Day and 30th Streets. They also called attention to the fact that this is a re-newal of the petition filed in 1918.

Mr. Rees appeared in the interests of the Ocean View playground site and asked the Commission to place apparatus on this playground. The Commission assured Mr. Rees that the Grounds Committee will look over this site and make their recommendation to the Commission in the very near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Buhrman of the Glen Park Community Club also spoke before the Commission requesting a new club house at Glen Park. The Commission assured Mrs. Buhrman that they intend, as soon as it is possible, to construct a new field house on this playground and to renovate the ground, after which time we will be glad to let them know what the definite plans will be.

COMMUNICATIONS

A notification was received from the Camp Fire Headquarters announcing their new location at 123 Clement Street commencing November 11, 1926.

A communication was received from the Board of Education informing us that Director Mott has been authorized to communicate with the Commission regarding the use of vacant school property for playground purposes. Letter ordered filed and the Engineer instructed to meet with Mrs. Mott.

Three communications were received from Mr. Joseph J. Phillips, our Appraiser, informing us that it is necessary to pass the resolutions accompanying his letters for the purchase of property situated in the Ocean View playground and the Potrero Hill playground sites. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the resolutions for purchasing these pieces of property were carried and copies are to be forwarded to the departments concerned.

A communication was received from Mr.Joseph M. Gwinn, Superintendent of Schools, thanking us for having forwarded a letter of appreciation for the participation of the school children in our recent dedication programs. The letter also states that it is the intention of the Board of Education to ask the Playground Commission to establish more schoolyard playgrounds. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Edward I. Dunn of 1402 Cole Street, asking the Commission to consider the purchase of property bounded by Belvedere, Rivoli, Cole and 17th Streets. The communication was ordered filed, and the matter referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

A communication was received from the Guadalupe Parent Teachers' Association, signed by Anna Ratton, corresponding secretary living at 931 Prague Street. Communication ordered filed, and the matter referred to the Grounds Committee for consideration.

A communication was received from Colonel Bolles, wherein it mentions that Mr. Hellman would not be suited for the position of caretaker at the Presidio Reservation and Presidio Heights Playgrounds.

A communication was received from Mr. William Unmack, Secretary of the Boy's Work Conference announcing the first city-wide Boys' Conference to be held on November 18th at the St. Francis Hotel. Communication ordered filed, the Secretary having forwarded the information Mr. Unmack requested.

A communication was received from Thos. F. Boyle, City Auditor, informing us that S. R. Pfund, attorney-in-fact, had signed for Miss M. Philomene Hagan's April salary warrant. This is in full settlement of all claims against the Playground Commission. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from Geo. A. Applegard regarding the Grant Schoolyard. The letter indicates that the Parent Teachers' Association and the teachers are in accord with the continuance of this supervised schoolyard.

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However, Miss Randall was asked to follow up this matter. Commun. ord. fil.
A communication was received from the clerk of the Board of Supervisors enclosing a copy of a letter forwarded by the Education, Parks and Playground Committee to the Board of Supervisors asking that they consider the purchase of that property on the northwest corner of 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard for park and recreational purposes. The letter also requested a recommendation from the Commission. Communication ordered filed and the matter referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation and report to the Commission.

A communication was received from the San Francisco Civic Association asking for subscriptions to that association for the coming year. Communication ordered filed.

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Board of Supervisors asking them if it would be feasible to establish a storeroom for the Playground Commission's supplies in the City Hall, and was also instructed to send a duplicate to Supervisor Gallagher.

The Commission decided that the Presidio Reservation playground is to be known as the Julius Kahn Playground, in view of the fact that the late Julius Kahn took such a prominent part in securing the revocable lease from the War Department, and therefore making the playground a possibility.

REPORTS

The Secretary reported that Mr. Henry Grant of the San Francisco Health Council addressed the Playground Directors at their monthly meeting held on November 4th.

The tennis tournament has reached the inter-playground play.

A Boys' Basketball Tournament has been announced to include the 95lb, 110lb, 130lb, and 145lb. Divisions.

Christmas plays are well under way, and an original play written by Miss Stella Harris will be staged for Funston Playground.

The Secretary reported that Miss Mills, the Executive Secretary of the Chinese Y. W. C. A. is anxious to have the use of the Chinatown Playground at night. This will require lighting the grounds. The Commission decided to hold this matter in abeyance until the playground has been completed at which time they will consider the possibility of lighting these grounds for evening play.

The Secretary also reported that she was present at the meeting of the Education Commission of the Recreation Council and that a Summer Training Course for recreation workers is being planned. It is also the desire of the Education Commission to secure scholarships at the approximate rate of $35 each to defray the cost of this school. The Commission decided to take up the matter at a future time.

The Superintendent reported that the cost of the re-wiring of the Excelsior Playground will be approximately $1200 and was asked to have bids called for this work.

The Superintendent also reported that the reseeding of the M. S. Hayward Playground has been completed, that the painting at the University Mound Site has been completed; and the slides have been ordered for Southside and Jas. Rolph Jr. Playgrounds.

The Engineer reported that Chinatown playground is nearing completion rapidly, also that he has been working in close cooperation with the Grounds Committee.

Mr. Phillips reported that with regard to the purchase of property adjacent to the Spring Valley playground, Doctor Tillman, the owner, has asked the City Attorney's office to file suit against him. This will tie up the purchase for some time.

Miss Randall reported that she had visited with the Grounds Committee, both Jackson and Jas. Rolph Jr. playgrounds and gave a report of the necessary repair work that should be done on both of these playgrounds. The Commission authorized the Engineer to proceed with doing the imperative repair work on both of these grounds at once.

The Secretary was asked to communicate with Mr. Phillips and see if he can make satisfactory negotiations with the owners of the property adjacent to the Jas. Rolph Jr. Playground for the enlargement of the children's play Section.

The Commission decided that they would hold the next meeting of the Playground Commission on the first Wednesday of December, being December the 1st.

Mr. Henry B. Mills, who recently resigned from the Playground Commission, was present at this meeting, and expressed that due to press of private business he has found it necessary to resign. However he stated his willingness to assist in any way possible with the work being conducted by the Commission.

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The Commission, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, passed the following resolution, which is to be spread on the minutes of the Commission, and a copy is also to be forwarded to Mr. Mills.

WHEREAS	Our fellow member Mr. Henry B. Mills has resigned from the San Francisco Playground Commission, because of press of private business.
AND WHEREAS	During his eight years of tenure of office he has greatly assisted in the development of our San Francisco Playgrounds, through his intelligent application and unselfish devotion.
THEREFORE	Be it resolved that the Playground Commission in session at its regular meeting of November 10, 1926, wishes to express its appreciation for his splendid accomplishments and its sincere regrets in having him leave.

Demands Nos. 18, 19 and 20 and resolutions for the purchase of property, amounting to $11,706.89 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4 P.M.

Veda D. Young
ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

Playground Commission

San Francisco; December 1, 1926.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 P.M., Mrs. Sigmund Stern acting as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley
Mrs. Mildred Pollok

DELEGATIONS

Mr. Lukens, of 1399 43rd Ave., representing the Community Council, the Parent Teachers' Association and St. Paul's Church stated they are interested in the establishment of a schoolyard playground adjacent to the Francis Scott Key School, and especially asked that the Playground Commission confer with the Board of Education to see if the excessive grading of the schoolyard can be remedied. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation and report.

Mr. Albert Rhine addressed the Commission regarding the closing of Cunningham Place. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for further investigation.

Mr. Phillips, our appraiser, gave a report on the Potrero Hill purchase. He asked the Commission to consider the purchase of additional land, and reported he had an option on the property. The consensus of opinion was that Mr. Phillips secure a sixty-day option in order to make it possible for the Commission to have an opportunity to visit this site and make a recommendation.

Mr. Phillips also reported that Dr. Tillman, owner of the property adjacent to the Spring Valley Playground has been served with a suit from the City Attorney's Office. This will hold up the purchase of this playground, pending the settlement of the suit.

Miss Fitch, of 1940 Broadway Street, representing the Golden Gate Kindergarten Association asked that the Commission consider the possibility of purchasing land near Mission Playground for the purpose of establishing a nursery and kindergarten by that association on the property. Their association is anxious to establish an Anna M. Stovell Memorial, and if this plan is feasible they will be responsible for the equipment and supervision of the nursery. The consensus of opinion is that the matter be held in abeyance.

Mrs. Griffith of the Ingleside District inquired of the Commission if they would again look into the possible establishment of a playground in the proximity of the Farragut School, in view of the fact that the site recommended by them, namely, that land bounded by Ocean Avenue, Westgate and San Bonita Avenues, is too far removed from the children of the Ingleside District. The Grounds Committee assured Mrs. Griffith that they would look into the matter and render a report.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two communications were received, one from Mrs. W. Brennan, Corresponding Secretary of the Sheridan Parent Teachers' Association, and the other from the Ocean View Community Club, signed by Mr. C. E. Reese, Secretary, asking that the Commission develop the Ocean View playground site as soon as it is possible. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary was asked to respond that the Grounds Committee visited this site and decided that $2500 be expended in the improvement of this ground.

A letter was received from the Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association signed by Mr. John Leslie Hornlein of 414 28th Street, and another letter from the 29th & Castro Improvement Club signed by Joseph S. Metten residing at 345 Day Street, both asking for the establishment of a playground near the Kate Kennedy School, the exact location being Laidley, Diamond, 30th and 31st Streets. Communication ordered filed and the matter referred to the Grounds Committee.

A communication was received from Mr. Henry B. Mills thanking the Commission for the resolution which was spread on the minutes of the Commission and a copy of which was forwarded to him. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from E. S. Schoeppe of 5021 3rd Street representing the Bay View Merchants' Association asking that the Commission consider the improving of the Bay View Playground Site in the near future. The consensus of opinion was that the matter be held in abeyance until the Commission has an opportunity to make plans for the future development of the department. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary to notify the Bay View Association accordingly.

A communication was received from Mrs. W. A. Linbaugh, Chairman of the Out-Door Art Department of the California Club, stating that the proposed stadium for 26th and Douglass Street Site has been heartily endorsed by that association. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary to thank the club for their letter of endorsement.

A communication was received from Dr. Leonard Lundgren, Director of Adult and Vocational Education thanking the Secretary for having spoken about the Playground Department to the students at the Part Time High School.

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A communication was received from Miss Grace B. Weiner, the Resident Head Worker of the San Bruno Community House, 2574 San Bruno Avenue, asking that the Grounds Committee consider the improvement of the University Mound Playground. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary to respond that the Grounds Committee will look into the matter the first part of the year, and render a report.

A communication was received from the Glen Park Men's Volley Ball Club, stating that they had their organization meeting Saturday evening, November 18th. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Parent Teachers' Associatiom of the Madison, Peabody and Sutro Schools asking that the Commission c onsider the feasibility of having a portion of Mountain Lake Park transferred to this department and supervised by us. They particularly suggested that portion between 8th and 10th Avenues. The Secretary was asked to communicate with Mrs. Wm. Cohen of 24 7th Avenue, Chairman of the Recreation for the Madison School and ask that she take up the matter with the Park Commission in view of the fact that this land comes under their jurisdiction.

REPORTS

The Secretary reported that the tennis tournament is well under way, and that a basketball tournament for boys has been announced in the 95#, 110#, 130# and 145# divisions, to commence on Saturday, December 11th.

The Secretary further reported that a very interesting meeting of playground and recreation executives was held in Oakland on Saturday, November the 27th, at which meeting Major Braden was present.

There was a meeting of the playground directors in the office on Monday, November 29th and Major Braden, the Western Representative of the Playground and Recreation Association of America reported about the Congress at Atlantic City held in October, 1926.

On December 7th in the Civic Auditorium, Suzanne Lenglen is to give instructions in tennis to forty children selected from the San Francisco playgrounds. This demonstration to be at 4:30 in the afternoon.

The Glen Park Girl's Club has been organized, and they plan to include dramatic work. Miss Proctor will assist them in this particular field.

The Secretary further announced that Christmas plays have been scheduled for Funston on the 11th, North Beach on the 13th, M. S. Hayward on the 15th, Glen Park on the 17th, Julius Kahn on the 18th, Southside on the 20th, Jackson on the 21st, and James Rolph Jr. on the 22nd, to include the following plays: "Joke on Santa", "Christmas Eve","Finnegan's Flat," "Christmas Eve," "Lost Toys" and "Fanchette from France".

The Secretary further reported that the directors at Hamilton have been stressing the need for a larger play area for baseball and football for boys and girls using this playground. The Chairman of the Grounds Committee stated that their Committee has this matter under consideration.

Mr. Mooney reported that the triple slides have been installed at Southside and James Rolph Playground; the lavatories at James Rolph have been repaired; and the director's room at Glen Park is being improved; for both Southside and James Rolph loam has been ordered and the lawns will be reseeded.

The Engineer reported that bids for the fencing at Excelsior Playground will be received in the playground office on Friday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Stern stated she would endeavor to be present in order that the contract might be let immediately.

Mr. Urquhart, who is in charge of the gardening in the department stated that he has visited the entire department with a view to improving the landscape gardening and the placing of shrubbery on our grounds. He has completed the planting at Julius Kahn Playground and will center his attention now on both the Chinatown Playground and 21st & Folsom Street Playground.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren and unanimously carried, certain necessary improvements in the vicinity of $1000 are to be made on the Glen Park Playground. These will include the reconditioning of the grounds, as, repairing the lavatories, enlarging the tennis courts, and constructing a volley ball court. It was also unanimously decided to expend $2500 in the improvement of the Ocean View Playground to include the following: $1000 for grading, and $1500 to cover play apparatus, appurtenances and planting.

Miss Randall reported that she is working on the proposition of the schoolyard playgrounds in connection with the Board of Education and the Playground Department, and was asked by Mr. Esberg to especially confer with Mr. J. M. Gwinn who is on their Committee.

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~~Mr. Purser reported that Mrs. Mott of the Board of Education o~~~~uthor~~~~ized~~ the ~~Playground Department~~ to ~~proceed with the establishment of a playground~~ on 12~~th~~ ~~Avenue~~ ~~between~~ ~~Geary and Anza Streets~~.

On motion of Mr. Esberg, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, Mrs. Sigmund Stern was made the Acting Chairman of the Playground Commission.

Mr. Purser reported that he has not had an opportunity as yet to see Mrs. Mott of the Board of Education regarding the Playground Department proceeding with the establishment of a playground on the school lot located on 12th avenue between Geary and Anza Streets.

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The Grounds Committee further reported that they had visited the site located at Belvedere, Rivoli, 17th and Cole Streets and do not recommend this location if it is possible to get an outside playground in the vicinity.

The Grounds Committee further reported that they were satisfied in the improvement of the playgrounds as kept up by those on the laboring staff. Therefore, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, the salary of the laborers who at present are receiving $130 is to be increased to $150 a month, commencing December 1st.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Esberg and unanimously carried, Miss Josephine Randall is to be employed as the Acting Superintendent of Recreation commencing December 15th, on the basis of $4000 a year.

The Play Committee decided to interview the Chinese men applicants for the Chinatown Playground before coming to a decision as to their appointment of directors for this playground.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously approved, resolutions for the purchase of property in the Ocean View Playground site amounting to $900 and resolutions for the purchase of property in the Potrero Hill playground site amounting to $8,100, were approved and demands issued paid.

Bills and current expenses on Demands Nos. 24, 25, 26------ amounting to $8121.76 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Veda B. Young
ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, December 14, 1926.

GROUNDS COMM. XTTEE.

Meeting of the Grounds Committee with the East and West of Castro Street Improvement Club, at 7:30 P.M., December 14, 1926.

Present: Mrs. Elizabeth Lyon,
Mr. John Aehmann
Mr. Callahan, City Engineer's Office.
Mr. Osterloh, Improvement Club,
Mr. Charles Clark, "
Mr. W. A. Law, "
Mr. Thomas Doyle, "
Miss Annie Rock "

Mr. Osterloh, the Chairman of the East and West of Castro Street Improvement Club stated that their association, after a thorough investigation, had held a meeting and decided that they were opposed to the building of a stadium at the 16th and Douglass St. site:

1st. Because they realize the detrimental effect, not only to the persons living in the immediate vicinity, but also the effect on the valuation of their property.

2nd. Because the 16th and Douglass St. site was procured for the express purpose of establishing a permanent playground.

3rd. They have been assured that no more [illegible] will be done on this site, and the building is expected to last between [illegible], or possibly fifteen years, depending upon the project and finances.

Mrs. Lyon pointed out to the committee that the proposed stadium would be the largest in the State. The Rose Bowl has a seating capacity of [illegible], the University of California [illegible] and Kezar, the [illegible] and Lee College 70,000 and the Polo Grounds 60,000. She said we do not anticipate having any trouble with [illegible] Football, but [illegible] a short season and [illegible] receipts.

In addition the "Hollywood Bowl" [illegible] in the [illegible] for the seating of about [illegible], but the [illegible] has a [illegible] capacity of 20,000. It is true, however, that [illegible] Bowl [illegible] for part of the [illegible], but the city [illegible] open to the public, and there [illegible] charge for admission [illegible].

[illegible] stated that the committee proposed [illegible] residents [illegible].

Mr. Lyon [illegible] Mr. Osterloh [illegible] Mr. Callahan [illegible] Mr. Clark [illegible] Mr. Law [illegible] Miss Rock [illegible] Mr. Doyle [illegible]

Mrs. Stern then stated that she could see this Delegation was against the project, but she knows there are others in the District in favor it, and she ought to be the thing that will bear the greatest good for the greatest number.

After further discussion it was decided to let the matter rest for the present, and see what the future might bring forth.

The Committee's final request was that this Commission build a park and playground at the 16th and Dearborn Street site for the children.

Veda B. Young

MINUTES

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission this day, but the Commissioners found it impossible to be present.

Veda B. Young
ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

San Francisco, December 29, 1926.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day, at the hour of 2:00 P.M., with Mrs. Sigmund Stern as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Senator James D. Phelan,
(Successor to Mr. H. B. Mills)

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley,
Mr. John McLaren

The first order of business was the installation of the new Commissioner, James D. Phelan, former United States Senator and Mayor. After a complimentary speech by the Acting Chairman, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, in which she expressed the felicitation of the Playground Commission in having so distinguished a member on the Board, she resigned as Acting Chairman of the Playground Commission. Thereupon, on motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, Senator Phelan was appointed the Acting Chairman of the Playground Commission until the Annual meeting in January, 1927.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of December 1st, with the necessary corrections recorded, and with the exception noted below, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

Mrs. Pollok entered a protest to the appointment of Miss Josephine Randall as Acting Superintendent of Recreation and explained that she was carrying out the wishes of Father Crowley, that no appointment of this sort be made until such time as he could be present at the Commission meetings. Mr. Auger, Mr. Esberg, and Mrs. Stern, coincided as to the confidence they impose in Miss Josephine Randall's particular fitness and suitability for the position as head of the Playground Department.

COMMUNICATIONS

A petition was received from the residents near the Julius Kahn Playground requesting additional tennis courts. On motion of Mr. Constant J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Mildred Pollok and carried, the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for further investigation. Petition ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Ingleside Improvement Club, requesting a playground near the Farragut School. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to respond that the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for further investigation.

A communication was received from Mrs. E. O'Donnell, 1374 Fulton Street offering for sale property adjacent to the 26th and Douglass Playground Site. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to notify the writer that the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee.

A communication was received from Mr. J. J. Phillips regarding the salary for Mr. Somer's services in connection with the appraisal work being done by him for the Playground Commission. It was the concensus of opinion that this expense be met in the usual manner. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Superintendent of Schools asking the Commission to investigate the feasibility of operating a schoolyard playground at the Burnett School. The matter was referred to the Committee which will be appointed at a future meeting to discuss schoolyard matters. Letter ordered filed.

Communication was received from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors notifying the Commission of a meeting of the Streets Committee at which time the closing of Cunningham Place was to come up, and especially recommending that a member of the Commission be present. The Secretary informed the Commission of the postponement of this matter, until January. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, Mrs. Pollok and the Engineer are to continue to represent the Commission in this matter.

A letter of appreciation was received from Frank Kleeberger, Chairman of the Physical Education Department for Men, University of California, regarding the visit of his students to the San Francisco Playgrounds. Ordered filed.

A communication was received from Nat T. Messer, advising us of the inability of the tenants at 121 Montana Street to pay the rent. After making an investigation, the Commission is of the opinion that the tenants be allowed to remain at present, and instructed the Secretary to so notify Mr. Messer. Letter ordered filed.

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A letter was received from Miss L. M. Maino, 64 Pine Street, Chairman of the Program Committee of the Women's Safety League, asking that a speaker from the Playground Commission be present at their January meeting to address them on "Playground Safety". On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Secretary was asked to address this meeting. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Morgan A. Gunst, Chairman, Directing Committee, Department of Social Work, Community Chest, asking that a representative from the Playground Commission be present at a budget meeting on Friday, January the 7th, 1927. It was the decision of the Commission that Mr. Auger represent them. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. Mordecai, Secretary of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, inquiring when the Commission contemplates completing Funston Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed by the Grounds Committee to reply that this work will be taken care of later.

A resolution for the purchase of property in the sum of $12,200 and owned by John and Margaret Lanahan in the Ocean View Playground Site, was on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, unanimously approved, and demands ordered paid.

A communication was received from the Board of Education asking that the Commission appoint a committee from the Playground Commission to meet jointly with the Congress of Parents and Teachers, and the Board of Education in the latter part of January regarding the after-school play of children. The Secretary was asked to bring this matter up at the next Commission meeting.

Miss Felton representing the Golden Gate Kindergarten Association asked that the Commission again consider the purchase of property near Mission Playground which their group may use for the establishment of a nursery kingergarten to take care of the activities of small children whose mothers find it necessary to work during the mornings, and which building may be used by our department in the afternoons. The cost to this department would be in the vicinity of $5300.00. The consensus of opinion was that the matter be held in abeyance, and the Secretary to communicate with the Real Estate Agent and ask for an additional option on the property in mind.

REPORTS

The Secretary reported that the Christmas Plays were extremely successful, and were very well attended. Each and every child attending the Christmas festivities which were scheduled on all the playgrounds, received a bag containing popcorn and candy. A total of 280 pounds of popcorn and 1800 pounds of candy was distributed.

The Secretary further reported that preceding the publication of an official booklet, describing the scope of the Playground Department and its work, a mimeographed pamphlet would be issued and sent to the Commission the first week in January.

Miss Josephine Randall, Superintendent of Recreation, reported the following:

1.- That she has interviewed Mr. Gwinn, Superintendent of Schools, regarding cooperation on the schoolyard playgrounds between the Playground Commission and the Board of Education, and that Mr. Gwinn has sent a letter to the Principal of each school having after-school play supervision activity, that the work be fully discussed with Miss Randall.

2.- That an adjustment of the present telephone system in the Playground Commission Office is necessary. Miss Randall was instructed to attend to this need.

3.- Office adjustment for the Engineer. Estimated cost made by City Hall Building Committee, $650.00.

4.- A desk is needed for Miss Proctor, Supervisor of Educational Dramatics. The Commission authorized the purchase of the desk.

5.- That there is a duplication of work, responsibility and authority in some of the departments, and recommends that an adjustment be made.

6.- Recommends that definite standard of qualifications for directors be made. The Commission authorized that this be done, and presented to them at a future meeting.

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7.- Recommends that a standard of awards be made in athletic contests. The Secretary and Miss Randall were asked to draft this standard.

8.- Recommends that weekly meetings of all directors be held. The Commission authorized this procedure.
It was also reported that the first general meeting of all the directors, both regular, Sunday and evening will be held on Thursday, January 6th, 1927 at 7:15 p.m. in the City Hall.

9.-

That the lavatories on the Hamilton, M. S. Hayward (boy's section) and the James Rolph Jr. Playgrounds are used as public stations; that a serious situation has arisen on the Hamilton Playground which demanded the closing at once of these stations on this ground.

It is recommended that---first, the station at Hamilton be closed to the general public; second, that the station at M. S. Hayward be also closed, and that a recommendation be sent the Park Commission that a public station be established in Jefferson Park, third, that the station at James Rolph Jr. Playground be closed, and that keys be provided the Municipal Railroad employees.

The Commission approved these recommendations and asked, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, that the Secretary communicate with the Park Commission and ask that they establish a convenience station in Jefferson Park as soon as it is possible.

Mr. Mooney, Superintendent of Maintenance, reported as follows:

1.- The Director's room at Glen Park Playground is completed.

2.- The broken windows at Southside and Jackson Playground have been replaced.

3.- That the carpenters are putting in an additional dressing room for bathers at Mission Bath House.

4.- That the gate and fence at Richmond Playground is being repaired.

5.- That the fence at Excelsior Playground has been completed, and a new flag pole has been ordered.

The consensus of opinion was that the report be accepted as read.

Mr. Urquhart, the landscape gardener, reported that he has been planting shrubs at 21st & Folsom St. Playground, has transferred some acacia trees from Funston Playground to University Mound, and recommends the purchase of approximately $389.75 worth of shrubs to be planted at Funston, M. S. Hayward, James Rolph Jr., Southside, Hamilton, and Mission Playgrounds.

The Engineer reported that the Chinese Playground Field House is complete with the exception of the stenciling on the walls in the interior of the house, and the installation of the lighting fixtures. The Engineer further reported the necessity of installing a new filter system at Mission Baths, and recommended the installation of a chlorinating unit and vacuum cleaning device at the North Beach Baths. On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the Engineer was instructed to make the necessary arrangements for the receipt of bids for this work.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the Engineer was instructed to have the necessary arrangements made for the receipt of bids for the grading work on the Ocean View Playground which will cost in the vicinity of $1000.

The Grounds Committee reported that Levi Strauss & Company is equipping their playground at 14th and Valencia Streets with apparatus similar to that used on the playgrounds, and asked that the Playground Commission supervise play on this ground. On motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mr. Auger, it was unanimously decided that this department supervise the Levi Strauss Playground.

Mrs. Pollok reported that at the Play Committee meeting held before the Commission meeting, she had failed to agree with Mrs. Stern and Mr. Auger on the selection of directors for the Chinese Playground, namely, Mrs. Zehnder and Mr. Chang. She is of the opinion that Mrs. Mary L. Chang should be the selection for a woman director, at this playground. Mrs. Pollok protested the organization of the Play Committee and Mr. Alfred I. Esberg was named by the Chair to serve on this Committee.

At the meeting of the Commission January 5, 1927, the Chairman, Jas. D. Phelan pointed out the fact that Mr. Esberg's appointment on the Play Committee was irregular and, therefore the action taken by the Play Committee composed of Mrs. Stern, Mrs. Pollok and Mr. Auger, is final.

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Demands Nos. 30, 31, 32 amounting to $5677.64 were approved and ordered paid. Votes: Ayes, Mrs. Stern, Mrs. Pollok, Mr. Auger, and Senator Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:10 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

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San Francisco; January 5, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The annual meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 P.M., with Mr. James D. Phelan as Chairman.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley

M I N U T E S

The minutes of December the 26th, 1926 with the corrections having been made, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, unanimously approved as read.

On motion of Mr. Esberg, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, Mr. Auger was made Acting Chairman in view of the fact that the next order of business was the election of President.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, Senator Phelan's name was placed on nomination as President of the Playground Commission, since Father Crowley wishes to resign as President in favor of Mr. Phelan, even though he will still be a member of the Commission.
On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, nominations were closed.

James D. Phelan was unanimously elected President, and the Secretary directed to spread same on the minutes of the Commission meeting.

Senator Phelan then took the chair, and declared nominations were in order for Vice-President.
On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Esberg, Mrs. Stern was nominated for Vice-President.
On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Esberg, nominations were closed.
Mrs. Stern was unanimously elected Vice-President of the Playground Commission.

The Chairman appointed the following committees for the year 1927.

FINANCE	Mr. Constant J. Auger Mr. James D. Phelan Mr. Alfred I. Esberg
GROUNDS	Mr. John McLaren Mrs. Sigmund Stern Mr. James D. Phelan
PLAY	Mrs. Sigmund Stern Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok Mr. Constant J. Auger
CAMP	Mr. Constant J. Auger Mrs. Mildred Pollok Mr. John McLaren
SWIMMING	Mrs. Mildred Pollok Mr. John McLaren

The Chairman also appointed the Committee which will represent the Commission at the joint meeting of the Congress of Parents and Teachers, the Board of Education, and the Playground Commission, on school playground matters. This committee is as follows:

Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Chairman.
Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. James D. Phelan

REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Frank J. McEniry, representing the San Francisco Convention and Tourists' League, addressed the Commission in the interest of having the 1928 Annual Playground and Recreation Association's meeting in San Francisco. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and unanimously carried, it was decided that the Commission go on record as encouraging the Convention being brought to San Francisco.

Mr. Gallagher, Chairman Education, Parks, and Playground Committee, advised Mr. McEniry to call on the Public Welfare Committee of the Board of Supervisors regarding this matter.

Mr. Thomas F. Boyle, representing the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club, addressed the Commission in the interest of that district having certain improvements made on Funston Playground. The Grounds Committee reported they have this work in mind, and assured Mr. Boyle that the necessary improvements will be made in the near future.

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Mr. Phillips presented a resolution for the purchase of additional property on the Potrero Hill to include that property owned by Elizabeth Johnson and D. M. Ray. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the resolution was passed and the property ordered purchased.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Playground and Recreation Association of America requesting that the annual questionnaire be filled out and mailed to them. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to forward the questionnaire.

A communication was received from the Public Schools Athletic League announcing their soccer tournament and the weighing-in on the San Francisco Playgrounds. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Harms and Hirschfeld, regarding that property near Mission Playground which is being considered for a nursery kindergarten. The consensus of opinion was that this matter be held in abeyance and the letter ordered placed on the active file.

A communication was received from Mr. B. R. Shaw, Mather, Calif., regarding our Summer Camp at Mather. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to communicate with Mr. Shaw to make the necessary repairs to the property, and to continue the proper upkeep of the cabins, etc.

In discussing camp matters it was decided that the Camp Committee make an investigation regarding the establishment of an Auto Camp at Mather by the City Engineer's Office.

A letter was received from C. J. Green, P. O. Box 458, McCloud, Calif. requesting assistance in laying out a playground in that city. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to see that the necessary information is forwarded.

A communication was received from Miss Frances E. Ware, Senior Director of Hamilton Playground, inviting the Commission to be present at the 24th Semi-Annual Rally on Monday, January the 17th at 1:30 P.M. Ordered filed and the Secretary to inform Miss Ware that if the Commissioners can find it possible to be present they will do so.

A communication was received from Jeremiah Coffey together with a copy of a letter from the Mayor regarding an application for position as Secretary of the Commission. Ordered filed and the Secretary to respond that this application will be given consideration when the position of Secretary is voted upon.

A communication was received from J. T. McFadden, Assistant Scout Executive, regarding the time the Boy Scouts will hold their meetings in the Jackson Field House.

REPORTS

The Secretary reported that bids for the filtration work at Mission Baths, chlorinating unit at North Beach Baths, and the grading for Ocean View Playground will be received in the Playground Office on Friday, January 6th at 2:30 P.M. It was the consensus of opinion that these bids be received and held until the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission at which time they are to be opened.

The Secretary further reported that Mr. Tucker formerly known as "Big Brother", is holding a picnic and Treasure Hunt on Sunday, January 23rd, 1927, near Los Gatos for at least 500 children. He has requested that the Playground Commission assist them by providing Playground directors to handle the games and races. It was the consensus of opinion that in view of the fact that there would be no expense to the Commission that the Secretary make the necessary arrangements to have the Directors assist.

The Superintendent of Recreation gave the following report:

1. That the office adjustment for the Construction and Maintenance Department will cost $650.00. The Engineer was asked by the Commission to submit a sketch of this proposed work at the next meeting of the Commission.

2. In discussing the Engineer's need for a new machine, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the Playground Commission agreed to allow Mr. Purser $40.00 a month operation cost, on the car he will purchase.

The question of having the Presidio Heights Playground reserved exclusively for small children in view of the fact that the older children might make use of the Julius Kahn, was referred to the Play Committee for consideration.

The Commission authorized Miss Randall, on motion of Mrs. Pollok, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, to order six Good Sportsmanship pins to be presented to the Hamilton Playground winners at their rally in January.

Miss Randall further reported that the installation of steam heaters at Jackson Playground to cost approximately $240.00, and also the installation of a hot water plant as well as other minor repair work is necessary at this time. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, it was unanimously decided that this work be done.

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~~It was further reported that the Board of Education has given permission to the Playground Department to use, for an indefinite period, the school lot on 12th Avenue between Geary and Anza Streets for playground purposes.~~

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, it was decided that an expenditure of $389.75 for the purchase of shrubs be met.

The installation of a fence three feet by three hundred feet on the girl's side of the M. S. Hayward Playground has been referred to Mr. McLaren for his approval.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, it was decided to purchase 1000 feet of No. 11 wire and pointed 4 foot posts for temporary use to be used for the protection of lawns and shrubs.

It was further reported that shower-heads of Jackson and Southside have been ordered and will be immediately installed.

The painter has commenced work on the field house at James Rolph Jr. Playground.

Senator Phelan, finding it necessary to leave the meeting, vacated the chair to the newly elected Vice-President, Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and unanimously carried, it was decided that the resolution presented by Mr. Phillips for the purchase of additional property on the Potrero Hill Playground site, namely the remaining portions of two blocks bounded by Missouri, Arkansas, 22nd and 23rd Streets and more particularly designated as those portions between 22nd and 316 feet southerly, be authorized, and demands ordered paid.

Mr. Phillips reported that the price on the Trocadero Estate Property located at 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard comprising 80 acres, costs approximately $100,000. This information was furnished at the request of the Commission.

The Grounds Committee reported as follows:

JACKSON PLAYGROUND It is recommended that the volley ball court be eliminated and that the tennis court be extended to the westerly boundary of the playground, and that the sand boxes and baby swings be installed adjacent to the small children's area near the field house. This work was authorized by the Commission.

EXCELSIOR PLAYGROUND Upon investigation the field house is in very bad condition and it will cost approximately $1500 dollars to raise the house, including the necessary repairs, and if new stucco and shingling is considered the approximate cost will be $1900.00. The recommendation is that a new and adequate field house be erected in the Spring to replace the present one.

FUNSTON PLAYGROUND Following the approval of plans the construction of tennis and basketball courts will be taken care of on this playground. (An appropriation of $5000 previously passed by the Commission will cover this expense.

The Bay View Playground Site located at 3rd Street (Railroad Avenue), Armstrong and Carroll Streets is found to be a poor location for a children's playground, but a good site for industrial recreation. Mr. McLaren, Chairman of the Grounds Committee was asked to investigate this site and render a report.

In discussing the need for additional help for the Engineer in the laboring staff it was suggested that the necessary men be employed temporarily as needed.

In discussing the possibility of the Park Commission and the Playground Commission purchasing jointly that property which is located southerly of the Bay View District, and is owned by William Randolph Hearst, and which would cost these departments $25,000 each, it was decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

Supervisor Gallagher kindly offered his assistance in bringing the matter to the attention of the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors for purchase, if this meets with our Commission's approval.

The Finance Committee reported the following expenditures for the first six months for the fiscal year 1926-1927----

A	PERSONAL (Directors & Employees)		$81,072.14
B	NON PERSONAL		
	A. Personal	$ 218.59	
	B. Contractural, other service	17,289.50	
	C. Materials & Supplies	17,399.38	
	D. Equipment	3,526.18	
			38,433.65
C	IMPROVEMENTS		26,179.99
D	PURCHASE OF LAND		
	1. Potrero Hill	11, 011.50	
	2. Ocean View	25,341.11	
	3. Mission	13,650.94	50,003.55
	Expenses for six months		$195,689.33

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There is now a balance in the appropriation of $185,204.68.

A recommendation was made by Mrs. Sigmund Stern that the name of the Mission Playground be changed to the Rev. D. O. Crowley Playground in honor of the retiring President, who is still a member of the Playground Commission, and particularly in recognition of the many years of untiring devotion to the needs of San Francisco and her people. Action on this recommendation will be taken at a future meeting.

Bills and currect expenses on Demands No. 34, 35 and 36 amounting to $2,124.35 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved and ordered paid. Votes: Ayes: Mr. C. J. Auger, Mrs. M. J. Pollok, Mr. J. McLaren and Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 P.M.

Vesta D. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco; January 19, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M. with Mr. James D. Phelan as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. James D. Phelan

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg
Mr. John McLaren
Rev. D. O. Crowley

This being a minority meeting the actions taken by the Commissioners present will be ratified at the next regular meeting when a quorum will be present.

REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. D. E. F. Easton, representing the California Public Safety Conference spoke in the interest of Safety Education on Playgrounds. Miss Randall was instructed to get in touch with Mrs. Easton regarding the safety program.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of January 5, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, were unanimously approved as read.

Bids for the performance of certain contractural work on the playgrounds were opened and awarded on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and unanimously carried, as follows:

1. Eaton & Smith for the reconstruction and refencing of the Jackson Tennis Court $1,485.00.

2. Wallace & Tierman Company Inc. the chlorination unit for the North Beach Bath House $640.00.

3. International Filter Company for the installation of filtration equipment and the reconditioning of present useable equipment at the Mission Baths, $2,590.00.

4. H. F. Guerin the grading and levelling on Ocean View Playground, $735.00.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Margaret Le Seur thanking this department for the assistance rendered in laying out a plan for a playground at the McKinley Orphanage. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Park Commission stating that Board denied our request for the erection of a public convenience station in Jefferson Square due to lack of funds. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary was instructed by the Chair to direct a communication to Mr. John McLaren and ask that he be present and bring up this matter at a future meeting of our Commission.

A communication was received from Mrs. T. Desmond, 578 16th Avenue suggesting the establishment of a playground on Virginia Avenue between Prospect Avenue and Lundy Lane. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the San Francisco Convention and Tourists League stating that they are following up their effort to have the 1928 Recreation Congress in San Francisco. Letter ordered filed.

The resolution for the Closing of Cunningham Place which was passed at the last meeting of the Street Committee was presented. The Commission authorized Mrs. Pollok to make final arrangements with the Board of Public Works for the definite closing as a result of this resolution having been passed.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported that to date he has purchased $26,395 of property in the Ocean View Playground Site and within a very short period will have expended $29,895. This will complete this year's purchase of property in this district since he had been authorized to expend not more than $30,000. In regard to the Potrero Hill Playground $25,000 was the amount he was authorized to purchase and the balance in this account is approximately $4000. In mentioning the Spring Valley Playground purchase the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the City Attorney and ascertain if the purchase of this property can be hastened.

Mr. Phillips presented a resolution for the purchase of two parcels of land in the Ocean View Playground site. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and unanimously carried, these were approved and ordered paid.

A communication was received from Flynn & Collins stating that the 1 Ton Ford Truck used at Camp last season would cost $214.43 to repair. This includes the installation of the high low transmission. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and unanimously carried, the Secretary was authorized to instruct Flynn & Collins to proceed with this work. Letter ordered filed.

The Secretary reported that she had addressed the Women's Safety League on "Playground Safety" on January 14th, 1927, in accordance with the Commission's request.

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The Secretary pointed out the need for carrying insurance on the four playground machines, and on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and unanimously carried, was instructed to make the necessary arrangements for the insurance on these cars to cover public liability and property damage.

In discussing the bonding of Playground employees it was deemed advisable to bond only those employees who actually handle cash in the performance of the Playground Commission's scope of work.

The Secretary further reported that the semi-annual presentation of awards at the Hamilton Playground held on Monday, January 17, 1927 was well attended and was an entire success.

The Superintendent of Recreation reported the following matters:

A store room space in the basement of the City Hall which is used jointly by the Board of Public Works and the Board of Education and which would be suitable for our athletic, plumbing, carpenter's and janitorial supplies has been found, and it may be possible for these two departments to use another available room in the basement for their storing purposes. The Commission authorized Miss Randall to see if immediate action can be secured in this matter.

The Superintendent reported that it is advisable to use a lot near the Frank McCoppin School as well as the schoolyard for supervised play. This is also at the request of the principal of this school. If the owner of the lot does not object to this arrangement the Commission authorizes that this policy be followed.

In regard to informal bids, the Engineer was asked to bring in recommendations for work to be done and the Commission will decide its action respecting the various items.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok and unanimously carried, the Engineer was instructed to call for informal bids on paving the alley way adjacent to the Chinese Playground and also the construction of an ornamental gateway which will cost approximately $360.00.

The roof on the Sacramento Street Building is to be repaired; and the carpenters are also repairing the wall at Mission Playground.

The gardener is taking care of the replanting on all of the playgrounds, one at a time, and Funston Playground is being worked on at present.

Demands and current expenses amounting to $4,891.34 were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Mildred Pollok, Mr. Constant J. Auger and Mr. James D. Phelan.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

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San Francisco; January 20, 1927.

CAMP COMMITTEE MEETING

Present: Mr. Constant J. Auger, Chairman,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. M. M. O'Shaughnessy, City Engineer
Mr. J. A. Eckart, Assistant City Engineer
Mr. George Turner,
Miss Josephine Randall,
Miss Veda B. Young.

MOTO CAMP

Mr. O'Shaughnessy pointed out the importance of the establishment of a camp to substitute the one at Sutro Ranch and also the need for adequate sewer and water facilities. In view of the fact that these two facilities will be used jointly by our camp and the moto camp he feels that part of the expense should be borne by this department.

SEWER

Entire cost $45,000 to include laying of 8" pipe, main trunk sewer and septic tank. $15,000 is the cost to this department for the work on our camp site. Mr. O'Shaughnessy felt that this department should pay only one-half the cost of the installation of the main sewer, but no decision was made in this matter.

WATER SUPPLY

It is proposed to install a gravity water supply from the head of Calera Creek to the camp site, which will cost $1,500. It is recommended that the Playground Commission pay one-half of the cost, namely, $750.00.

[illegible] will [illegible] approximately 200 people, and will open about June 1.

[illegible]

Mr. O'Shaughnessy stated that the City's holding was large in acreage. The [illegible] Water Department have control.

[illegible] to purchase [illegible] the Recreation

[illegible]

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MEETING

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission this day, but the Commissioners found they could not be present.

Vera D. Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, February 16, 1917.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M., Mr. James D. Phelan presiding as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Constant J. Kuger
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg
Mr. James D. Phelan

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Folloy
Mr. John McLaren

M I N U T E S

The minutes of January the 5th and 19th were, on motion of Mr. Kuger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

From Mrs. King, the Corresponding Secretary of the Roosevelt Way Improvement Association, 109 Saturn Street, asking the Commission to consider the establishment of a playground on Corona Heights. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for further investigation. Letter ordered filed.

From A. J. Gallagher asking the Commission to consider the establishment of a playground between 30th and 31st, Laidley and Diamond Streets. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for further investigation.

From Mrs. A. C. Wallace, President of the Cabrillo Parent Teachers Association requesting the establishment of a playground in the vicinity of 25th Avenue and Cabrillo Street. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Grounds Committee will visit this locality with the view of determining if there are any sites available for playground purposes.

A communication was received from Edward Schoeppe, Secretary of the Ba, View Merchants' Association, requesting that the Commission improve the playground site in the Ba, View District. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Grounds Committee is in favor of developing this area for ball, but as to other activities, they will have to look further into the matter. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. George J. Duffey, asking for an increase in compensation. Communication ordered filed and it was the unanimous opinion that the matter be referred to the Chairman of the Finance Committee for consideration.

Two resolutions for the purchase of land in the Ocean View Playground Site were, on motion of Mr. Kuger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, unanimously carried, approved and ordered given.

A communication was received from Mrs. [illegible] Secretary stating that her bills No. 10411 be filed and. Same ordered filed, and the Secretary to request that the Commission be present to give their consideration to this bill.

A communication was received from Mr. McGrath, Assistant City Attorney regarding the transfer of property from Mr. Tillman and Mr. Wilson into exchange to the Board of Education. The City Attorney's office is awaiting the action in this matter, as will the Superintendent be advised as to the developments.

A communication was received from Mr. Paul Abel, 660 Bartnett Street, complaining about certain damage to his property which he claims was caused as a result of [illegible] bulls looking in his lower pipes. The Secretary was instructed to respond that the investigation the Commission made showed the city to be responsible, and furthermore, it has passed the Board of Supervisors. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from L. C. O'Brien, Chief of Police requesting this department of the cooperation of the Police Department in [illegible] player balls used for the propelling of golf balls. [illegible] Secretary was instructed to reply that [illegible] to all the people, recommending that steps be taken to prosecute the protection of the playground and recreation grounds. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary instructed to inform the Commission's action to Chief [illegible] of his statement.

The Secretary reported that the principal of the new Holly Park School had asked for the use of the [illegible] Street entrance to the Playground which [illegible] from this school. The Commission [illegible] and the Secretary instructed to reply that it is considered unfair for the children.

The Secretary also reported that the installation of electric [illegible] work in the Playground Commission's Office. A [illegible] Department would be held in the [illegible] P. Rogers [illegible] Friday, February 23, 1917 at 2:30 P.M. and invited all the Commissioners to be present.

The [illegible] of Recreation reported [illegible] matters.

The lighting of the North Beach Playground was [illegible] by the Electrical Engineer of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company with a view to improving our system.

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The use of storeroom space in the City Hall is still pending.

The building of an office for our Construction and Maintenance Department is awaiting final action by the Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

The Superintendent of Recreation and the Superintendent of Schools as a result of a joint meeting of the Board of Education, the Playground Commission and the Parent Teachers' Association were asked to make a study with recommendations for the opening of schoolyards which are suited for afterschool playground purposes. The study is being made at the present time.

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It was the decision of the Commission that only those applicants who who are at least 21 years of age, who are High School Graduates, and who have had at least two years in a University, State Teachers' College or Technical Recreation Training School be eligible for employment as playground directors.

The Superintendent of Recreation was asked to send out a general notice to the Directors informing them of their duties and if they do not live up to those requirements they are to be brought before the Play Committee which has the power to decide upon dismissal. It was also decided that Miss Randall call upon the Civil Service Commission and get what information they have requiring Civil Service requirements for Playground Directors in other cities.

Mr. Phillips reported that the total amount of the purchases in the Jacob View Playground Site amounted to $33,275 which is greater than the $30,000 set aside for purchase of land in this area, but the Potrero Hill purchase is less than the appropriation of $25,000, since it amounts to $21,754. Mr. Phillips also mentioned that the Bay View Park which is City owned land comprising 20 acres and which is valued at $1,000 per acre might be a valuable acquisition for the Park Commission and also the Playground Commission. It was the consensus of opinion that the Playground Commission visit this and several other sites on Wednesday, February 23rd, and it was further decided to meet at the City Hall at 10:00 A.M. and leave in company with Mr. Phillips.

Mr. Auger gave a Camp Committee report as follows:

In order to make the Camp at Mather sanitary it will be necessary to [illegible] improvements. This will include better sewerage conditions, and also the possibility of new water pipes. This work will be done by the Supervisors' office and a portion of the cost will have to be borne by this department. The City Engineer, Mr. M. M. O'Shaughnessy corroborated Mr. Auger's statement about the necessity of [illegible] and pointed out that perhaps the only expense which we would have to bear at this time would be a portion of the cost of installation of water system.

It was the opinion of [illegible] that in view of the increased expense this department will have to meet in connection with the Camp, the Park-Playground Commission ask that the Commission ask for a 7¢ appropriation instead of 5¢, when the budget hearing is held.

The Superintendent reported that in the Chinese Playground a gravel [illegible] and that the [illegible] has been completed and [illegible] of drainage.

That at Portsmouth Square the comfort house has been completed, showers and [illegible] installed, and the inside painting is also finished. It [illegible] temporarily removed from [illegible] can be obtained at a nominal [illegible] the [illegible] after [illegible].

The Superintendent reported that the Chinese Playground, Hamilton Square, Moscone Playground and Portsmouth Square are being [illegible] and surfacing work is being pushed.

[illegible] is being completed.

[illegible] has been completed and [illegible].

[illegible] Field [illegible] be [illegible] this was agreed.

[illegible] Street playground as well as other [illegible].

[illegible] 44, 45 and 46 [illegible] to [illegible] Mrs. Stern, and unanimously [illegible] Mrs. Sigmund Stern. Mr. James D. Phelan.

[illegible] at the hour of

Veda B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 2, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 P.M. by the Chairman, Mr. James D. Phelan. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be approved at the next regular meeting of the Commission when a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Mr. John McLaren,
Rev. D. O. Crowley

M I N U T E S

On motion of Mr. Constant J. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern and unanimously carried, it was decided in keeping the minutes that only definite actions of the Commission in the form of motions be recorded.

The minutes of February 16th, with this point in mind, were therefore, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, approved as read.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the Commission went on record as officially objecting to the erection of an amusement park opposite the Fleishhacker Playfield on Sloat Boulevard near the Great Highway, and the Secretary was instructed to so inform Mayor Rolph.

DELEGATIONS

Mrs. E. O'Donnell, of 1374 Fulton Street, appeared before the Playground Commission and asked them to consider the purchase of some property which lies adjacent to the playground site at 26th and Douglass Streets. The Chairman assured her that the Grounds Committee would investigate this request.

Mr. C. F. Collonan, of 3211 Mission Street, President of the South of Army Merchants' Association, addressed the Playground Commission in the interest of the establishment of a playground in the district bounded by Army, Mission 30th and Sanchez Streets. The Chairman assured him that the Grounds Committee would investigate his request and keep in touch with him when they are ready to view the territory.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Sarah M. Davis, Secretary of the Longfellow Parent Teachers' Association asking that the Commission consider the establishment of a playground in the district near the Longfellow School. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

A communication was received from Mr. Allen E. Hart, 333 Naylor Street, Secretary of the Crocker Amazon Park and Improvement Association asking that the Playground Commission establish a playground in that district, especially in the vicinity of Geneva Avenue and Moscow Streets. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the matter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for consideration.

A communication was received from the California Alpine Club asking the Commission's endorsement on an inclosed resolution for the creation of a state park on the South slope of Mt. Tamalpais. The Chairman was authorized on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Constant Auger, and unanimously carried to sign the resolution provided that after receiving information on this proposition he is of the opinion it is worthy of endorsement. Letter ordered filed.

Bids for the erection of a fence at the Mission Playground were received as follows:

1.	National Fence Company,	$306.00
2.	Standard Fence Company,	450.00
3.	Michel and Pfeffer,	490.00

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the work was awarded to the National Fence Company in the sum of $306.00. The Secretary was instructed to notify them accordingly, and the bids were ordered filed.

Mr. Phillips presented two resolutions for the purchase of property in the Potrero Hill Site which were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, approved and ordered paid.

Mrs. Stern, reported that she has a letter from the Levi Strauss Realty Company regarding the leasing of the property located on the west side of Valencia Street, between 13th and 14th Streets to the Playground Commission. The rental is to be $1.00 per year. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried the Commission authorized the Secretary to sign the necessary papers approving the leasing of the property to the Playground Commission.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the request of Mr. George Duffey for an increase in compensation was denied. The Secretary was instructed to notify him accordingly.

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On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, it was decided that the Engineer sign all requisitions for the purchase of materials to be used in the construction department, and also to keep an inventory of all construction materials on hand.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the Engineer was authorized to bring in plans for laying out a baseball field on the Bay View Playground Site. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the Engineer was also instructed to make out a plan for the necessary work to be done on the James Lick Playground to provide for housing facilities, and to bring in plans for the further development of the University Mound Playground.

The Engineer was also instructed, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, to have a design made for a new field house for Excelsior Playground.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, it was decided that the May Festival of the Playground Department be held on Saturday afternoon May 7th, 1927.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried it was decided that all applicants for playground positions be at least twenty years of age.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, it was decided to purchase a wrestling mat for the Excelsior Playground, in order that the director might provide for wrestling to be held as an evening activity.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, Demands Nos. 49 and 50 amounting to $1884.47, were approved and ordered paid. Votes: Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger and Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:10 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 16, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M., Mr. James D. Phelan presiding.

Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be approved at the next regular meeting of the Commission when a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Mr. John McLaren,
Rev. D. O. Crowley

M I N U T E S

The minutes of March 2nd, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

Mrs. B. Burch of 128 Coleridge Street, representing the Fairmount P. T. A. and Mr. C. F. Collonan of 3211 Mission Street, addressed the Commission in the interest of having a playground established in the area bounded by 30th, Army, Noe and Mission Streets. The Chairman assured them that the Grounds Committee will look into this request in the very near future.

Mr. H. Lorentzen, of 285 Faxon Street, spoke before the Commission in the interest of the establishment of a playground in the vicinity of the Farragut School. The Chairman assured him that the Grounds Committee will visit this district and render a report in the near future.

Mr. A. J. Hearst addressed the Commission in the interest of having Mrs. Morrissey's claim discounted, and also asked that the Commission make provision in their budget for paying this claim in full. Miss Randall was asked to look into the matter and to report back to the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

A petition was received from the residents in the vicinity of the Folsom Street Playground asking that the Commission name this playground the Mission Center Playground. Petition ordered filed, and the matter was referred to the Committee on Naming.

A communication was received from Mr. George Braden, Western Representative of the Playground Association asking that Miss Randall present a paper at the Annual Community Recreation Conference of the Western Division in Portland, Oregon, June 2nd through 5th. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, it was decided that Miss Randall attend this conference and that the Commission bear all expenses.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, it was decided to waive all unnecessary business until the next regular meeting.

Mr. Phillips reported on the Ocean View Playground purchase and called to the Commission's attention a very worthy case for allowing free monthly rental over an indefinite period. Therefore, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, Mrs. Rosa Firin, residing at 102 Minerva Street is to be allowed free monthly rental until such time as the Commission decides to make other disposition of the property, at their pleasure.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, it was decided that an efficiency expert from the firm of Carf and Cooper of 519 California Street, be employed to go over in detail the entire Playground Commission's office management and records, and to be paid at the rate of $35.00 per day. This service is to be rendered over a period not to exceed seven days.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, it was decided that we employ an orchestra to play at our May Festival, and that the only expense to the Commission is to be the sum of $40.00 allowed in the past for our music on this day.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, Demands Nos. 51, 52 and 53 amounting to $8,[illegible] were approved and ordered paid.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried it was decided that the Secretary address a letter to Mr. John McLaren, expressing the Commission's sorrow in learning of his recent illness.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:20 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, April 6, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M., Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding until the arrival of the Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. James D. Phelan

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Pollok
(being obliged to attend a legal case)
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

This being a minority meeting all action taken will be ratified at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which a quorum will be present.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the minutes of the meeting of March 16th were approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

Mr. John Hanlon of 183 Peabody Street, the Chairman of a delegation from the Visitacion Valley District, addressed the Commission in the interest of having the request for a playground in the Visitacion Valley District incorporated in our Budget for 1927-1928, and especially recommended that site bounded by Visitacion Avenue, Schwerin Street, Delta Street and Sunnydale Ave. The Chairman assured him that the Commission will be glad to look into his request, and if satisfactory, incorporate it in our budget.

Mr. George S. Hill of 36 Diamond Street and Dr. M. Jas. McGranaghan, 1171 Market Street, both representing the Eureka Valley Promotion Association addressed the Commission in the interest of establishing a stadium in Corona Heights. The Chairman assured them that the Commission will look into their request and let them know in the near future what their decision is.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors asking that the Playground Commission file their budget for the fiscal year, 1927-1928. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from the California Conference of Social Work announcing the conference which will be held in Oakland, May 1st to 5th, and also asking that the Playground Commission renew its Conference Membership dues. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary authorized to see that the dues are paid in the usual manner.

A copy of a resolution, No 26788, new series, from the Board of Supervisors was received transferring to this department for playground purposes the land situated over the westerly portal of the Twin Peaks Tunnel. Resolution ordered filed.

Bids for the construction and fencing of tennis and basketball courts at Funston Playground were received as follows:

		Certified Checks
Bay Improvement Company,	$6,275.00	$700.
Eaton & Smith	7,450.00	800.
E. J. Treacy	7,702.60	800.
Pacific States Construction Company	8,075.00	850.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the work was awarded to the lowest bidder, namely, Bay Improvement Company in the sum of $6,275.00.

Bids for the grading and rolling of the Bay View Playground were received as follows:

Granfield, Farrar & Carlin	$ 800.00	$ 80.
Guerin Bros.	1,537.00	175.
Eaton & Smith	2,240.00	800.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the work was awarded to the lowest bidder, namely, Granfield, Farrar & Carlin Company, in the sum of $800.00

The Secretary announced that the Mort Beach Bath House was opened on Monday, April 4th, and the Mission Bath House, Wednesday, April 6, 1927.

The Secretary also reported that she had been informed by the City Attorney's Office that the purchase of the property adjacent to the Spring Valley Playground will come up for hearing in Judge Louderback's court about the 18th of this month.

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The Superintendent of Recreation reported as follows:

That bleachers, back stops and showers should be erected on the Bay View Site immediately.

Therefore, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the Engineer was authorized to make provision for the construction of bleachers, back stops and showers on the Bay View Playground.

That permission has been granted by the Building Committee of the City Hall for the construction of an office for the Construction and Maintenance Department. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried this work is to proceed immediately.

Miss Randall further reported that she had called to see Mrs. Margaret Morrissey who had requested her industrial accident award in full. A request was received to hold the matter over for two weeks. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the matter was ordered held over until the next regular meeting.

The Grounds Committee reported that they had visited a site suggested by the South of Army Merchants' Association for a playground and recommends a location bounded by Dolores on the East, San Jose Avenue on the West, 28th St. on the North and 29th Street on the South.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was voted that a sum not to exceed $3000 be allowed for the installation of the new water system at the Summer Camp at Mather. The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. O'Shaughnessy, the City Engineer, that the Playground Department will bear this expense.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, Mr. J. J. Phillips was authorized to procure McInerney title for the nine parcels of land which are situated in the Potrero Hill Playground.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, Demands Nos. 56 and 57 amounting to $4,311.86 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:15 P.M.

Ieda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco; April 6, 1927, 3:15 P.M.

M E E T I N G

A meeting of the Playground Commission was held following the regular meeting on Wednesday, April 6th at 3:15 P.M.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

The purpose of this meeting was to decide the action to take in the case which is recorded below. The Secretary was asked to send a copy of the Commission's decision to all persons concerned.

The decision of the Commission in the matter of the disturbance between George Duffey and Philip Moore is as follows:

The Commission finds that George Duffey had a misconception of his duty, believing himself to be a foreman, and he required work of Philip Moore, and that misconception of duty led to the disturbance.

Mr. Purser is now fully authorized to give all orders for construction and maintenance work and that George Duffey and caretakers, and other employees of the Construction and Maintenance Department shall receive orders only from George Purser.

In view of these circumstances the Commission reprimands both George Duffey and Philip Moore for use of profane and vulgar language, which if repeated by them or anyone also in the service of the Commission in the performance of their several duties, shall expose them to disciplinary action by the Commission.

That George Duffey be informed that in case he is guilty of a second offense that the Commission shall relieve him of his duty, and he is warned to exercise great care in the control of his temper and to cooperate in every way to bring about an effecient administration of the department in which he is employed taking his orders direct from Mr. Purser.

That there be no conflict of authority it is also ordered that John Mooney, whose title hereafter shall be Assistant to the Engineer, act as the Assistant of George Purser in carrying out his orders, and assume no authority that is not given him by George Purser.

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San Francisco, April 13, 1927. 4:30 P.M.

B U D G E T M E E T I N G

On Wednesday, April 13th, 1927, a special meeting of the Playground Commission was called by the Chairman of the Finance Committee to go over the budget for 1927-1928.

The budget allocations are as follows:

Personal	$201,131.00	
Non-Personal	77,560.00	Not inclusive of equipment, buildings, structures, and purchase of land.
Equipment	14,000.00	
Buildings, Structures and Improvement	230,300.00	
Purchase of Land	275,000.00	
	$797,991. 00	

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried it was decided that assistants in the swimming department be relieved of their duty at the close of the season, and only heads of the department are to remain in the employ of the Commission throughout the year. The Secretary was instructed to notify all who are effected by this ruling, namely, Mrs. Jeanne Mulvihill, Mrs. M. Johnson, Mrs. J. Silva, Mrs. C. Bartlett and Mr. Mark Graham.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 P.M.

Veda B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

San Francisco, April 20, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M., by Mrs. Sigmund Stern, acting as Chairman.

This being a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next Commission meeting, when a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of April 6th and of April 13th were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern approved as read, subject to ratification by a quorum at a future meeting.

DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. A. J. Hearst inquired what the Commission's decision is in the Morrissey case. He was advised that the matter will come up at the next meeting at which time Mr. James D. Phelan will be present.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Eckart, Chief Assistant Engineer advising us that proper steps will be taken to have the Board of Supervisors authorize the installation of the water system at the Summer Camp at Mather. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Polk-Van Ness-Larkin District Association asking that the Commission recommend to the Board of Supervisors the purchase of property on the northwest corner of Pine, and Larkin Streets. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary to communicate with Mr. McLaughlin and ask that he fill out a report giving more specific information regarding this property.

A communication was received from Mr. Joseph B. Dryden, Assistant Secretary of the Forest Hill Association asking that the Playground Commission take over the supervision of the West Portal Schoolyard, until the completion of the West Portal Playground. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary to inform the Forest Hill Association that the matter has been referred to the Committee which is making a survey of schoolyard playgrounds.

A communication was received from Eaton & Smith, advising the Commission that the City's liability for the improvement of Cunningham Place, according to plans and specifications of the City Engineer is $1,000. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Secretary was instructed to have public proceedings instituted in this matter.

REPORTS

Mr. Phillips reported that the hearing between the City and County of San Francisco and the Tillman Estate Company regarding the purchase of the land adjacent to the Spring Valley Playground commences on Wednesday, April 20th and will be continued on Monday, April 25th. Mr. Purser was asked to represent the department at the hearing.

The Superintendent of Recreation reported that plans have been drawn up for the construction of the field House on James Lick Playground. On motion of Mr. Auger seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Engineer was authorized to proceed with this construction, the approximate cost being $2500.00, plus the cost of the plastering work.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided to discontinue the supervision of the Grant Schoolyard in view of the fact that the attendance does not warrant the continuance of this playground.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided to have galvanized iron signs made for the playgrounds which will cost $2.75 a piece and that the lettering on these signs is to be blue on a white background with a green border.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided that if land is available near the Funston Playground for baseball diamonds that the Commission do the necessary work to put the fields in condition to play. This would include the necessary levelling and the erection of inexpensive back stops.

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On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Engineer was authorized to have the fence at Excelsior Playground heightened.

Bills and current expenses on Demands Nos. 59 and 60 amounting to $2,056.64 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:20 P.M.

Veda D. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 4, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 1:30 P.M. by the Chairman, Mr. James L. Phelan.

Present: Mr. James L. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant Auger,
Mr. Alfred J. Eaberg.

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Rolph,
Mr. John McLaren,
Rev. P. J. Crowley.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the minutes of the minority meetings held on March 16, April 6, and April 13th were approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

M A T T E R S

Mr. C. McDonnell, Assistant City Attorney, addressed the Commission regarding the case between the City and County of San Francisco and the Tillman Estate, advising them that the jury had decided that $50,000 is to be the purchase price for the property. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, it was decided that the Secretary communicate with the City Attorney's Office and instruct them to move for a re-trial of the case and to prosecute the new case in the event of a trial being granted.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the City Attorney's Office regarding the petition of Mrs. Margaret C. Morrison for commutation of award. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, it was decided that the commutation of award be made, and the Secretary to so inform the City Attorney's Office. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Phelan, Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern, and Mr. Eaberg. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Mission Improvement Club asking the Commission to recommend the establishment of a playground at 30th, Mist, Clement and Hillside streets. The Secretary was instructed to have this organization fill out a more complete report regarding this property after which time the Commission will consider the request.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, it was decided that a resolution for the payment of property in the matter of Lafayette Hill playground site in the sum of $4000 be approved as ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Mr. Phelan, Mrs. Stern and Mr. Eaberg.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, it was decided that a letter of thanks be sent to the Girls Service Workers for the playground, the Dramatic Group, and all those who helped by the members of the Play Committee.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, Mr. Wm. Montelli is to be employed to sing in the park of the North Beach Playground during the summer season (4-1), at the rate of $15.00 per month.

The Secretary reported that the annual dinner of the Playground Commission will be held at the Women's Civic Center on Thursday, May 12th, 1927 at 7 P.M.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, bills in the current amounting to [illegible] were approved and ordered paid.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, it was decided to defer all unnecessary business until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of [illegible] P.M.

Veda D. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 18, 1927.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. Mrs. Sigmund Stern acting as Chairman.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to ratification at the next regular meeting, at which time a quorum will be present.

MINUTES

The minutes of May 4th were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved as read, subject to ratification at the next meeting of the Commission when a quorum will be present.

DELEGATIONS

Mrs. R. N. Gray of 261 32nd Avenue presented a petition from the Sutro Heights Improvement Association, and also addressed the Commission in the interest of having the school lot bounded by 30th, 31st, California and Clement Streets, improved for playground purposes. The Chairman assured her that the Commission will investigate this property and make their recommendation accordingly.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Dr. William Hassler, regarding the lavatory conditions at the Hamilton Playground. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to have certain necessary improvements made immediately. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply.

A communication was received from Mrs. Frank Mordecai, Secretary of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, asking that the Commission consider placing additional lights around the Funston Field House. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to inform Mrs. Mordecai, that the Engineer has been instructed to look into this matter, and report back to the Commission at their next regular meeting.

A communication was received from Mr. E. W. Thurman, Secretary of the Glen Park Community Club, asking that the Commission make certain improvements in the pavilion. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform Mr. Thurman that the Commission has this matter under consideration.

A communication was received from Mrs. C. C. O'Donnell of 1274 Fulton Street, asking that the Commission consider the purchase of her property which is adjacent to the 16th and Douglass Street Site. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that no action will be taken in the matter at the present time.

A communication was received from the Camp Fire Girls of San Francisco asking that they have permission to use the Julius Kahn Playground for a supper and council fire on the evening of Friday, June 3rd. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, permission is to be granted provided the grounds are left in first class condition, and also if it meets with the approval of Colonel Bolles of the Presidio. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary to notify them accordingly.

REPORTS

The Secretary reported that the City Attorney's Office has secured a new trial for the purchase of the property adjacent to the Spring Valley Playground.

She further reported that the total registrations for camp to date are 86.

The Grounds Committee reported that Mr. Bernard I. Maybeck had visited several of the playgrounds, and has made certain recommendations.

At Glen Park the roof and foundation need attention at this time, and Mr. Purser, was asked to secure an estimate of what the improvements will cost.

Mr. Maybeck has consented to give us some suggestions which will be worked in with the plans of our Engineer, and our Superintendent of Recreation regarding the laying out of the new playground sites.

The Grounds Committee further reported that they are in favor of having a portion of Corona Heights set aside for playground purposes. It was the decision of the Commission to visit this site in the near future, and make a definite recommendation. Mr. Purser was asked to make a survey of an area on Corona Heights which will be satisfactory for playground purposes.

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The Superintendent of Recreation reported that the James Lick Playground field house is being constructed; the grading on the Bay View Playground is nearing completion; that the necessary levelling on the Marina to provide for baseball diamonds is being done at this time, that the turf at James Rolph Playground is up, and also that Jackson Playground is graded, and that the Ocean View Playground is being worked on at the present time.

Miss Randall reported that the Grant Schoolyard will close commencing June 1st.

A discussion was held regarding the length of days for director's vacations. The directors have requested that legal holidays, which they are not getting at the present time, be granted them or else be added to their vacation period. This would make seven extra days, or in other words, nineteen working days. It was decided to hold this matter in abeyance until further information had been procured.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, it was decided that the Superintendent of Recreation make arrangements whereby the Presidio Heights Playground will be open for small children only.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, Miss Randall was authorized to make adjustments in the schedule and compensation of evening directors in the Playground Department.

The Commission authorized Mr. Urquhart to report on the cost of having the vacant lot on 18th Avenue between Clement and Lake Streets improved for playground purposes.

Bills and current expenses on Demands Nos. 66, 67, and 68 amounting to $3,321.98 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:00 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 1, 1927.

MEETING

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission for this day at 2 P.M. but failed to record a quorum. The President of the Commission asked that the next meeting be held on June 8, 1927.

Veda B. Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 8, 1927.

M E E T I N G

A regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. by the President, James D. Phelan.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of May 4th and May 18th, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, approved as read.

Mr. Grattan, the Efficiency Expert, of the firm of Cerf and Cooper, reported that he had gone over in detail the entire Playground Commission's office management and records. He has had forms drawn up to take care of the proper requisitioning, distributing, and recording of supplies, and for the assignment of work in accordance with the needed repairs and improvements.

He also made the following recommendations:

1. That an adequate storeroom for recreation supplies, as well as plumbing and miscellaneous equipment be established as soon as possible.

2. That Mr. George Duffey visit and inspect each playground once a week and have his truck so equipped as to immediately take care of necessary work.

3. Recommendation that a quota of equipment, tools and supplies be determined for each playground's operation.

4. Recommends the establishment of a repair department.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the report was approved as presented.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from "A Citizen" urging the establishment of a convenience station at Jefferson Square. Miss Randall was instructed to take up the matter with the Park Commission.

A communication was received from the Summer Symphony Association asking this Department to help stimulate interest in the sale of coupon books for the Summer Concerts. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that this Commission will cooperate by advertising this information throughout the Playground Department.

A communication was received from the Boy Scout Headquarters asking permission to use two of our buildings for Boy Scout Meetings. Letter ordered filed, the Secretary having already made provision for the groups.

The Secretary reported that vacation activities are being planned to include a Junior and Senior Baseball tournament, a picnic schedule and special swimming classes.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided to hold a large playground picnic on July 4th in Golden Gate Park, if possible, and if $50.00 is not available from the 4th of July Committee funds, this Department will bear the entire cost of the picnic, namely $100.00

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, it was decided to have a sign made for our camp at Mather to read as follows

"San Francisco Municipal Camp
Margaret Maryland".

The Chairman authorized Mrs. Stern to select the type of sign desirable for our San Francisco Playground Field Houses.-----It having been suggested that they read

"San Francisco Playground Commission,
Julius Kahn Playground No.____"

Miss Randall presented her survey on the establishment of schoolyard playgrounds, and on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, it was approved and is now ready for consideration by the Board of Education.

The Grounds Committee reported on several matters as follows:

1. Glen Park

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, Mr. Urquhart was authorized to supervise the cutting of the necessary trees at Glen Park Playground.

Mr. Urquhart was also instructed to look into the improvement of the sewer situation at Glen Park.

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2. Excelsior.
Mr. Purser was authorized to draw up plans for an adequate Field House at Excelsior Playground and to furnish an estimate of the cost of construction.

3. Addition to Longfellow School Playground.
The Secretary was asked to have Mr. Phillips secure the price of the land at the rear of the Longfellow School for playground purposes, which is situated on Brunswick Street, between Lowell and Whittier Streets.

4. The Secretary was instructed to communicate with the City Engineer, and ask that this Department secure a lease of a portion of the Hetch-Hetchy Reservoir Site at Geneva Avenue and Moscow Streets for Playground purposes.

Miss Randall gave a report of her visit to the Recreation Conference, Western Division of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, held at Portland.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried. Demands Nos. 73-74-75-76 amounting to $4795.79 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 P.M.

Veda B Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco; June 29, 1927.

M E E T I N G

A regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2:30 P.M., by the President, Mr. James D. Phelan.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Mildred J. Pollok,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of June 8th were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, approved as read.

INDIVIDUALS AND REPRESENTATIVES ADDRESSING COMMISSION

Mrs. Gladys Zehnder spoke to the Commission about the Playground Lindy League Contest. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, it was decided that emblems, not to exceed fifteen cents in cost, be presented to each contestant.

Mr. Hardy, a Deputy Superintendent of the Board of Education, addressed the Commission regarding the Schoolyard Playgrounds. He stated the Board of Education will make facilities available and take care of the physical equipment as outlined in Miss Randall's survey. He further reported that the extra time required by the janitors working at these schoolyards would amount to $20.00 per month per school, and Boardmembers feel that this should be met out of the Playground Commission's funds. It was the concensus of opinion of the Playground Commission that we pay for the necessary supervision of play, and that the Board of Education pay for the janitorial service. The Chairman stated that he, Mr. Auger and Miss Randall would attend the meeting of the Board of Education after 4 P.M. and report the Commission's opinion.

Mr. Buhrman of the Glen Park Community Club addressed the Commission and asked that their organization be permitted to place a sign on the pavillion to the effect that a $25 reward will be given by them to the person finding any party destroying the building. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, the Secretary was instructed to communicate with the Glen Park Community Club and authorize their placing such a sign on the pavillion.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, and carried, the Secretary is to inform the Glen Park Community Organizations that they may have the use of the Pavillion on the afternoon of August 28th to hold proper ceremonies for the opening of Elk Street.

A resident near Funston Playground asked that the Commission consider the establishment of a convenience station at the playground. The Chairman advised him to make his request to the Board of Supervisors, in the form of a petition.

Mr. J. A. Calway of 136 Lennox Way, and Mr. Stanley Cowden of 130 Lennox Way both addressed the Commission to find out when the West Portal Playground site will be developed. The Chairman informed them that as soon as our Budget Allocations for 1927-1928 are made, we will be in a position to notify them accordingly.

Miss Edith V. King of the Roosevelt Way Association addressed the Commission in the interest of having a playground establishedon Corona Heights. The Chairman informed her that our Engineer is to draft a plan for a possible play area on Corona Heights. Meanwhile he advised the association to look for a site that is not so hilly, and to report back to the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, the resolution for the auctioning of property at 125 Montana Street was unanimously approved.

The Secretary was instructed to sign the resolution and forward it to the Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from the City Attorney's Office stating that the commutation of the Morrissey Claim amounts to $2289.54. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren and unanimously carried, the Secretary was authorized to have this amount paid in the usual manner. Ayes: Mrs. Stern; Mrs. Pollok; Mr. McLaren; Mr. Auger: Mr. Phelan. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from the State Building Trades Council regarding painters' scale of wages. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, the painters in the employ of the Playground Commission are to receive $9.00 per day which will become effective immediately. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply stating the increase has been granted.

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Miss Randall suggested that this department hold a Harvest Festival in the Civic Auditorium in the fall of the year as an annual event, in place of the Annual May Pageant, and that we cooperate with the Park Commission on in their Annual May Festival instead of having two separate festivals by these two departments of the municipality. The Chairman advised Miss Randall to see the Auditorium Committee regarding the possibility of our having a Christmas celebration in the Auditorium this year in place of the suggested Harvest Festival, and to report back at the next meeting.

Mrs. Stern reported that the Board of Education is considering the purchase of land in the vicinity of the Commodore Sloat School bounded by Upland Drive, Darien Way, San Aleso Street and Aptos Street, and they are asking the Playground Commission to consider the purchase of the adjacent property on which the nursery is located. Mr. Riordan of the City Engineer's Office stated the property is valued in the vicinity of $80,000 per block. It was decided that the Grounds Committee visit this property and make their decision accordingly.

Mr. Purser presented the plan for the construction of the Excelsior Field House. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, the Engineer, after obtaining the approval of Mrs. Stern, was authorized to proceed immediately with the construction which is not to exceed $8000.00

Mr. Purser reported that the cost of remodeling Glen Park Pavillion in accordance with Mr. Bernard I. Maybeck's recommendation would be approximately $7250.00.

Shingling the sides with rigid shingles	$2250.00	
" " roof " flexible shingles	1500.00	
Remodeling building	3500.00	
		$7250.00

The Commission decided to hold this matter in abeyance.

The Commission decided to hold their next meeting on Wednesday, July 20, 1927.

Mrs. Pollok reported that she had been to camp and found it was being run in an excellent manner. She stated however that it is imperative that a new bake oven costing approximately $300 be purchased. This item will be held in abeyance pending word from the Camp Manager.

Mr. Phelan also reported that he had been to Mather and was pleased with the Camp. He recommends that this department should acquire the land on the other side of the railroad track at Camp as soon as the construction work, being done by the Engineer's Office, is completed.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, demands Nos. 77, 78, 79 and 80 amounting to $10,670.69 were unanimously approved as read. Ayes: Mrs. Pollok: Mrs. Stern; Mr. McLaren; Mr. Phelan; Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 20, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M. by the Chairman, James D. Phelan.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Alfred I. Esberg
Rev. D. O. Crowley

M I N U T E S

The minutes of June 29th, 1927, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A petition was received from the laborers, gardeners and caretakers of the Playground Department asking that they be given Saturday afternoons off. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided to lay the matter on the table.

A communication was received from the Board of Education informing us that they do not acceed to our request that the payment of compensation to school janitors for extra service rendered in connection with the operation of schoolyard playgrounds be provided from their funds. Communication ordered filed.

Miss Randall reported that we will keep on operating the present schoolyards with the continued cooperation from the Board of Education. She also reported that the Francis Scott Key Schoolyard was opened on July 15th, 1927, and that the Farragut will be opened on July 25th, 1927. She further suggested that we gradually take over the recommended schoolyards, one at a time, and place directors from the school department in charge.

A communication was received from Mr. Joseph Phillips, furnishing estimates of the value of the property adjoining the Longfellow School. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

The Chairman instructed Miss Randall, with the assistance of the office, to make a survey of the eight or ten most important neighborhoods where playgrounds are essential and to keep in mind that the neighborhoods will be appealed to, to make a request with the Commission before the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

A communication was received from the firm of Cerf and Cooper stating the cost for the work of devising and installing a System for the Playground Commission. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the bill, amounting to $307.92 was approved and ordered paid. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary to reply. Ayes: Mr. Phelan, Mrs. Stern, Mrs. Pollok, Mr. Auger and Mr. McLaren.

Miss Randall reported that Mr. M. H. Hyland of the Victoria Hotel has requested that the school property at Stockton and Bush Streets be improved for a children's playground. The Chairman asked that the matter be held in abeyance.

Miss Randall suggested that a suitable trophy be obtained as a gift to Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, and was instructed to inquire further about such an award.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, it was decided that Mr. Homer Mack be employed, as soon as possible, as the Supervisor of Construction and Maintenance of the Playground Department at a salary of $300 per month.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, demands Nos. 1, 2 and 3, amounting to $6589.86 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. Phelan, Mrs. Stern, Mrs. Pollok, Mr. Auger, Mr. McLaren.

The Chairman announced the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:00 P.M.

Veda B. Young
Secretary

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San Francisco, August 3, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M., the President, James D. Phelan presiding.

Present: James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Constant J. Auger,

Absent: Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Rev. D. O. Crowley

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of July 20th, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Grand Jury signed by the Foreman, Ernest L. Drury, and the Secretary, Joseph M. Finigan, reporting on the Grand Jury's visit to the City's Camp at Mather. Mr. Norman Center, the Camp Manager, was called upon by the Chair to give a recital of the Grand Jury's visit. His explanation was entirely satisfactory to the Commission.

The Chairman instructed Mr. Auger to reply to the Grand Jury, and also asked that a copy of the letter be forwarded to His Honor, Mayor James Rolph Jr. Communication ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided to waive all unimportant business until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Clarvoe, City Editor of the San Francisco **News**, asked the Playground Commission to cooperate with them in having San Francisco participate in the National Airplane Contest which is being sponsored by the Playground and Recreation Association of America. The Chairman authorized Miss Randall to see the Managing Editor of the News regarding this contest.

Mr. Joseph J. Phillips inquired of the Commission about the possible purchase of land by this department during the present fiscal year. The Chairman asked that this matter be considered at the next meeting of the Commission.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, demands Nos. 4, 5 and 6 amounting to $11,101.07 were unanimously approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. James D. Phelan, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. Constant J. Auger and Mrs. Mildred Pollok and Mr. John McLaren.

The meeting was declared adjourned by the Chairman at the hour of 3:10 P.M.

Asst. Secretary

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San Francisco, August 17, 1927.

MEETING

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission for this day at 2 P.M., but failed to record a quorum.

Edna B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 7, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 4:15 P.M., Mr. James D. Phelan presiding.

As this was a minority meeting, all action taken is subject to ratification at the next meeting of the Commission when a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Aurer.

Absent: Mrs. Mildred Rollin,
Mr. John Mcmaren,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of August 3rd, 1927, were on motion of Mr. Aurer, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, approved as read.

PETITIONS AND REPRESENTATIVES

Mrs. E. Casper of 41 Wells Street, presented a petition asking that the Commission establish a playground on the property adjacent to the Mate Kennedy School, located at 700 Noe and Day Streets. Petition ordered filed, and the Grounds Committee asked to make a report about the suitability of this site for playground purposes, at the next meeting.

Mr. J. J. Phillips, was authorized on motion of Mr. Aurer, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, to proceed immediately with the additional purchase of land in the Ocean View and Potrero Hill districts, to the extent of $25,000 in each, representing a total of $50,000. The Secretary was asked to write to Mr. Phillips confirming this action.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. C. L. Reese, Secretary of the Ocean View Improvement Club, inquiring about the plans of the Commission for developing this playground site. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply.

A communication was received from Mr. D. M. Bailey, City Engineer's Office, regarding public proceedings for opening Noe Place. Mr. Aurer was asked to furnish a sketch for the next Commission meeting of the portion of Noe to be former street.

A communication was received from the Playground Extension Association of America inviting the Commission to attend the National Recreation Conference at Memphis, Tennessee, October 3rd to 7th, 1927. On motion of Mr. Aurer, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided that Mrs. Stern, who stated that Mrs. Rollin expected to attend as the Playground Commission's representative, if [illegible] she can spare the time to go.

[illegible] received from [illegible] in the University of California [illegible] ordered filed, and the Secretary [illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. Stern [illegible] Mr. Aurer [illegible] Mr. Aurer, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided [illegible] Mr. Aurer [illegible] Mr. Aurer, and carried, it was decided that [illegible] Mr. Aurer, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided

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Miss Randall presented a survey of the City showing proposed playground sites which represent a minimum to be considered immediately. The Commission recommends the approval of this survey for immediate action.

Miss Randall also brought up the question of the Commission's policy in regard to employees on sick leave. The matter is to be held in abeyance. However, on motion of Mrs. Eberl, seconded by Mr. Rogers and carried, Miss Frances M. Ware who was ill for some time this year, is to receive her full compensation.

The Superintendent further reported that the swimming tanks have been closed by the Board of Health because of infantile paralysis and the swimming staff has therefore been assigned to other duties.

It was suggested that the Hamilton Playground be enlarged and the Commission asked that a plan be presented at the next regular meeting for the suggested expansion of this playground.

In the Construction and Maintenance Department the following work is being done:

Excelsior Field House being constructed,
Upper Noe Playground being improved,
Sea View Playground backstop and bull field being placed in good condition,
Potrero Field House is being painted,
Shelves are being installed in the Playground Commission's store room in the basement of the City Hall.

On motion of Mrs. Eberl, seconded by Mr. Rogers, and carried, Mr. Rogers was authorized to proceed with all important miscellaneous improvement work to be done on the playgrounds at this time.

On motion of Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Eberl, and carried, it was decided that the Chinese playground be named "John Hay", and that it be dedicated very soon, the date of October 8th, 1917 being suggested.

The Office was ordered to inquire from the Mayor's Office about attending [illegible] for the Chinese playground dedication, but for the destruction of [illegible] buildings, [illegible] the Excelsior playground.

On motion of Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mrs. Eberl, and carried, the following bills were ordered paid: [illegible] Appropriation, [illegible] Fund, [illegible] Service, [illegible] Service, [illegible] Service

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TOTAL $44,648.44

Less:

Est. Engineer's Estimate	$ 5000.00
Material for proposed work	14,894.62
Unpaid Freight	
Other	7,647.50
	$44,648.44

Mr. Gallagher, Chairman of the Recreation Grnds., and Playgrounds Committee expressed himself as being in favor of the expenditure at Camp and requested to see that it may be forth coming from the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Stanton also expressed himself as favoring the list of improvements as given. Mr. Stanton suggested that a nurse be employed as Assistant Supervisor, and that playground apparatus for the children be installed.

Roll Call

At this meeting the Commission called to the Committee's attention the annual lease for Camp Impromptu in San Francisco, requesting a long lease in order to enable the necessary grading. The Commission is to receive copies of the map of proposed sites at the Recreation, Parks and Playground Conference, after which they will arrange further work of the Committee for necessary assistance.

The Committee was invited [illegible] Park election until the [illegible] were read by the Secretary.

[illegible] 11:5 A.M.

Veda B. Young

Secretary

[illegible] Board of Supervisors [illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. Lang, Miss Lang, Mr. [illegible] and the [illegible] Committee of the Board of Supervisors regarding [illegible] from the Board of Supervisors for the [illegible] permanent [illegible] and [illegible].

[illegible] the Finance Committee [illegible] that the [illegible] Committee [illegible] the [illegible] for 1917-1918.

[illegible] meet the expenses for these [illegible] Committee still need [illegible] for recreation, the board [illegible] during the first six months [illegible]

Veda B. Young

Secretary

Playground Commission

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San Francisco; September 11, 1917.

SPECIAL

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission for this August 1 7..., but failing to secure a quorum.

Veda B. Young

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

San Francisco, October 5, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 4:15 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mrs. Mildred Pollok
Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan
Rev. D. O. Crowley
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the minority meeting of August 3rd, 1927, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

The minutes of September 7th, 1927, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Pollok, approved as read.

PLAYGROUND SITES

Mr. J. J. Phillips presented a preliminary report on the purchase of playground sites at the estimated cost of $1,094,900.00 which have been selected by the Commission as prospective acquisitions in the immediate future, and which may be submitted in a bond issue next year.

Mr. C. F. Colloman of the South of Army Improvement Association inquired if their petition for a playground is being considered. The Chairman assured Mr. Colloman that it is included in the list of 11 playgrounds to be voted on in the bond issue.

COMMUNICATIONS

A petition signed by more than one hundred Chinese people was received, asking that the playground on Sacramento Street at Waverly Place be named the "Mildred Pollok." The Secretary has been directed to write that since the Commission had gone on record not naming playgrounds after living Commissioners, it will be necessary to select another name. Petition ordered filed.

The Chairman announced that Father [illegible] President of the Commission is in the South, and since we do not wish to hold a dedication during his absence, the dedication of the Chinese Playground will be postponed for the present. The Secretary is to notify the parties concerned.

A communication was received from Mr. Thos. [illegible] Boyle, Auditor, as a result of the Commission's desire to receive financial [illegible] which was read provided from the Public Welfare Committee [illegible], that the expense of the Lucky Lindbergh winner in escort to Memphis, Tennessee, for the National Contest. The Commission unanimously decided [illegible] amounting to $481.08 from our fund at this time. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. H. M. Morris, Chief Assistant Engineer, requesting [illegible] other properties. Communication ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Albert J. Lyon at [illegible] Street, complaining [illegible] of trucks [illegible] for the use of Civic Auditorium [illegible] 7 A.M. Letter ordered filed, [illegible] matter will be investigated.

A communication was received from Dr. Hassler requesting permission to use the swimming pools. The Mission and North Beach pools [illegible] the privilege granted to the Civic [illegible], October 8, [illegible] Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the [illegible] Mr. J. J. Phillips' bill for the extension [illegible] in the sum of $118.15 was granted.

The Commission declines [illegible] Department request [illegible] the Civic Auditorium during the Year [illegible] October 1st to Oct. 15th, 1927, inclusive.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried, the Secretary was authorized to have [illegible] printed, covering rental [illegible] Department, which will be distributed to visitors [illegible].

The Commission [illegible] to the Columbus Day celebration at Yacht Harbor, October 12th, [illegible] Columbus events, Folk Dancers and the Band to attend the [illegible].

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

The Superintendent of Recreation reported that the Board of Education is now removing the old James Lick School which lies adjacent to the James Lick Playground. The Secretary was asked to communicate with the Board of Education and ask that this property be temporarily turned over to this department, in order to enlarge our James Lick Playground.

Miss Randall was asked to procure the estimate for the development of the Crocker Amazon Hetch Hetchy Reservoir Site.

Miss Randall was instructed to make the necessary arrangements for the opening of the Alvarado School yard, at 22nd and Douglass Streets, for after school playground purposes.

Miss Randall presented a report of the school property at 11th, 13th Aves., Geary and Anza Streets, which had previously been suggested for playground purposes. The Commission went on record as disapproving the establishment of a playground on this site.

Miss Randall further reported that Holyoke Street which is situated in the middle of the University Mound Playground is being closed, and construction work on this playground will start immediately.

The Superintendent was asked to procure the cost of the construction of two additional tennis courts in the Julius Kahn Playground.

Miss Randall further reported that our Lindy League representative, Ernest Haeussler, and his escort, Mr. Wivell, have left for Memphis, Tennessee.

The work on the Christmas pageant has commenced, and choral assistance has been promised from the Girls Teachers College, and Polytechnic, Lowell and the High School of Commerce.

Mr. Puck was asked to have Mr. Turner take up the matter of the granting of Commission filed with Mr. Murer. He has been given power to act in the matter.

In regard to the improvement of Jefferson playground, the Commission decided to visit this site, and in the matter with Mr. John McLaren.

In regard to the need for a convenience station in Jefferson Square, the secretary was asked to communicate with Mr. A. Gallagher, Chairman of the Mission Athletic Playground Committee, and ask that he arrange to see Mr. Puck regarding this request.

The secretary was asked to send letter of appreciation to both Mr. John Mehr and Mr. William Kline for the beautiful vellum scroll which was presented to Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh on September 16th, 1927.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Puck and carried, demands amounting to $4485.69, were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourns at the hour of 5:00 P.M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 19, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:30 P.M., Mr. James D. Phelan presiding. Since this was a Minority Meeting all action taken will be approved at the next regular meeting when a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Constant J. Auger

Absent: Rev. L. O. Crowley
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg
Mr. John McLaren,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok

M I N U T E S

The minutes of October 5, 1927 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the City Attorney stating that the Playground Commission has jurisdiction over the 26th and Douglass Street site. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Board of Education granting the Playground Commission permission to have the use of the James Lick School property until such time as they may have need for it. Letter ordered filed.

Mr. Phelan presented a telegram received from Helen Wills, stating her willingness to appear in an exhibition tennis match in November. The Commission decided to have a reception, dinner, and exhibition tennis match, and to make the necessary arrangements for these as soon as the dates are determined.

The Secretary reported that the playground children successfully participated in the Columbus Day celebration, Monday, October 10th at Aquatic Park, and that the Playground Commission's exhibit for the Food and Household Exposition, in the Civic Auditorium is proceeding very satisfactorily. She also reported that the Lindy League winner returned from Memphis, having won a 3rd and 5th place in two events respectively, and that a Girls' Volley Ball Tournament and a Boys' Basketball Tournament for playgrounds will probably have been announced.

The Superintendent reported as follows:

That the Bureau of Governmental Research, through its representative, Mr. Gray, has been asked by the Board of Supervisors to investigate all city departments, and work out a standard salary scale. Mr. Auger asked that a meeting of Mr. Gray, Miss Randall and himself be arranged to take up this matter.

The Secretary was asked to have a representative present at the next meeting of the Commission at which time Miss Randall will have a complete report on the properties to be incorporated in the proposed bond issue, and other matters in which we is interested will be discussed.

The Commission decided to visit the property at St. Mary's Park which has been offered to the department, and base their decision accordingly.

E. Puck reported that the development of the Hetch Hetchy Reservoir site at Geneva and Lobos Streets for baseball grounds, will cost approximately $6800. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, it was unanimously decided to develop this ground in accordance with the estimate.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided that a putting green and two additional tennis courts be constructed at the Julius Kahn Playground, the tennis courts to cost approximately $2000, and the putting green $60.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided that Miss Randall be granted an appropriation to develop playground to cost approximately $1000.

Mr. Puck reported that the residents in the vicinity of the James Rolph Playground are asking for the construction of a wading pool on this ground. The matter is to be held in abeyance until further information is received.

Mrs. Stern reported that the residents around Lincoln Park are asking the establishment of a playground in that locality. It was decided that Mr. Phelan and the Secretary visit this site in the near future.

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On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the bid of James F. Smith for the stucco contract at Southside Playground in the sum of $550, and the bid of J. F. Grant for the stucco contract at the Excelsior Playground in the sum of $1050 were awarded. Ayes. Mr. C. J. Auger, Mr. J. D. Phelan and Mrs. S. Stern.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, demands Nos. 17,18,19 amounting to $5,560.14 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern and Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 P.M.

Ida B. Young

SECRETARY

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 2, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M., Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to ratification at the next regular meeting when a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Alfred L. Aaberg,
Rev. P. C. Crowley.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the reading of the minutes of October 19th was postponed until the next regular meeting.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, a resolution for the purchase of property in Ocean View is to be presented again at the next regular meeting.

REPORTS

The Secretary reported that 389 girls are enrolled in the volley ball tournament and 721 boys in the basketball tournament.

The Superintendent presented an organization chart of the Playground Department.

Vice Supervisor [illegible] was unable to be present at this meeting the proposed bond issue will be discussed at a future meeting.

The Superintendent announced that the [illegible] teacher association is holding a recreation meeting on Thursday, November 17th at 8 P.M. In the Room of Public Works an effort to secure the attendance of the Playground Commission being represented on that occasion.

The Superintendent recommended the [illegible] of substantially increasing the revolving fund for 1928. This recommendation will be decided upon at a future meeting.

The Secretary reported [illegible].

Upon request of Supervisor Mrs. Stern it was unanimously and therefore Mr. Frick was asked to provide a [illegible] in addition at Funston Playground.

The Superintendent further reported [illegible]. Under discussion it was brought out that [illegible] and the general feeling for boys over [illegible].

The Superintendent [illegible] will announce [illegible] soon the [illegible] will be established [illegible].

The Superintendent recommended [illegible] Memorial Stadium be used for the [illegible].

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, [illegible] was authorized to [illegible] the necessary improvements for the purchase of [illegible] Funston Playground.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, demands Nos. [illegible] amounting to $[illegible].10 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4 [illegible].

Ida B. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 16, 1927.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 P.M., Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a Minority Meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Alfred I. Esberg.

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mrs. Mildred Pollok,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 19th, and November 2nd, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Esberg and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. H. Wal Dere, Secretary of the San Francisco Parlor Native Sons stating their willingness to participate in the dedication of the playground on Sacramento Street between Waverley Place and Stockton Street, and also inquiring the name of this playground. The Secretary was asked to reply and the letter was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Major Braden announcing the Northern California Recreation Conference which will be held on Saturday, November 26th, in San Francisco. The Playground Commissioners have been invited to attend. Letter ordered filed. Mr. Auger has consented to extend the greeting to the representatives.

A communication was received from Mrs. Bayliss C. Clark, President of the Second District, California Congress Parent Teacher Association, announcing a city wide Recreational Conference to which the Playground Commissioners have been especially invited. Letter ordered filed, and Mrs. Stern and Miss Randall are to represent the department.

A resolution for the purchase of property in the Ocean View Playground Site in the sum of $4000 was on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. Esberg, Mrs. Stern and Mr. Auger.

BIDS

Bids were received for the construction of tennis and basketball courts on three of the playgrounds, as follows:

UNIVERSITY MOUND		
		Certified Check
Fay Improvement Company	$4920.00	$500.00
Eaton and Smith	5310. 0	600.00
WEST PORTAL		
Fay Improvement Company	950.00	100.00
Eaton and Smith	1056.00	110.00
JULIUS KAHN		
Fay Improvement Company	2266.00	250.00
Eaton and Smith	2814.00	300.00

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the work was awarded to the low bidder, i. e., the Fay Improvement Company for the three contracts in the sum of $4920, $950 and $2256 respectively. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern.

DELEGATES

Mrs. R. Echeverria of 1651 Jerrold Avenue and several delegates from the Burnett School District called to see the Commission and requested the establishment of a playground at the Burnett School. The Chairman informed them that Miss Randall had visited the ground and did not advise the establishment of a playground since the area was too small. Realizing this, the delegates asked the Commission to purchase additional land adjacent to this school, for playground purposes. The Chair advised them to appeal to the Board of Education for the purchase of this additional land.

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REPORTS

The Commission asked Mr. Phillips to report at the next meeting the estimated cost of all the property still to be purchased on Minerva Street in the Ocean View Playground site.

Mr. Pack was asked to furnish a new estimate for laying out a baseball field at the Crocker Amazon Hetch Hetchy Reservoir site.

The Secretary reported that Dr. Sumner Hardy has arranged for Helen Wills to play in an exhibition tennis match under the auspices of the Playground Commission and the California Lawn Tennis Club, on Saturday, November 26th at the Kezar Tennis Courts.

Miss Randall reported on the advisability of establishing a week-end recreation camp to be operated by the Playground Commission. It was suggested that she see Dr. Hassler regarding the possibility of using a portion of the Board of Health's Preventorium property near Redwood City.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided to purchase a new piano which will cost approximately $300, for the James Lick Playground.

The Commission decided to hold a meeting of the Play Committee in the near future and the Secretary was asked to arrange the date.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the following work was authorized for the playgrounds in accord with Miss Randall's report:

Excelsior Playground	...	$3814.80 for general improvements, to include asphalt courts.
Glen Park "	...	2767.50 for the necessary sewer work at this time
Hamilton "	...	6757.00 for enlarging the ground
Funston "	...	297.60 for repairing of wall in gymnasium
Mission "	...	442.20 for retaining wall and fence repair.
		$14,079.10

Miss Randall was authorized to see the Supervisors and the Mayor regarding the Playground Commission's proposed bond issue, and the possibility of this department procuring Recreation Park.

Miss Randall was also authorized to see the Spring Valley Water Company regarding the possibility of procuring a large baseball area for the Playground Department.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided that our department Revolving Fund be increased to $300.00 and that the Secretary be instructed to write to the Auditor informing him of this action.

Miss Randall recommended the establishment of schoolyard playgrounds at both the Edison and Lafayette Bonna Schools. The Commission approved the recommendation.

The Commission decided that the directors who have asked off on Saturday, November 19th for the football game be allowed to go without receiving pay.

The Commission also decided to eliminate the purchase of Christmas candy for the playgrounds this year.

The Commission decided to remove all the houses on the Ocean View property which have been purchased.

The Commission further decided that per diem men are not entitled to receive vacation pay or sick leave.

Miss Randall also reported on the advisability of continuing our Publicity and Special Events Department. Therefore, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, Mrs. Lehnder is to continue in her present position as head of that department, and commencing December 1st her salary is to be $150 per month.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, Demands Nos. 68, 69 and 70 amounting to $7672.58 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:15 P.M.

Ed Bloom

SECRETARY

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 7th, 1927.

R e g u l a r

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 P.M., Mr. James I. Phelan presiding.

Present: Mr. James I. Phelan,
Mrs. Ida M. Stern,
Mr. Chas. S. Auger,
Mr. Ed. Bloom.

Absent: Mrs. Alice B. Fallon,
Rev. [illegible],
Mr. Alfred L. Lehrer.

M i n u t e s

The minutes of the regular meeting of October 3rd, November 2nd, and November 14th, were, on motion of Mr. Chas. S. Auger, seconded by Mr. Ed. Bloom, and carried, approved as read.

[illegible] communication was received from Mr. [illegible], President Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association, asking for the Playground's support in playground site selected [illegible] Noe Valley District Improvement Association. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to visit the site and make a report to the Commission.

Invitations were given by [illegible] to attend the [illegible] Lodge Grand Ball and Reception of the Knights of Columbus, Monday, December 12th, 1927. Mr. Bloom was appointed to represent the Commission at this event.

Mr. Phillips presented [illegible] for the purchase of homes and lands [illegible] of $1,000.00. [illegible] resolution was passed. Ayes: [illegible].

Mr. Phillips [illegible] are [illegible] Valley Water Company [illegible] large ball park. [illegible] of the Spring Valley [illegible].

Mr. Phillips [illegible] settlements [illegible] (Cesare Sia [illegible] and viewing, Mr. Phillips [illegible].

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

The Superintendent reported on the following policies which the Commission, on motion of Mr. Hagen, seconded by Mrs. Stern, unanimously approved, to become effective January 2, 1926.

1. SICK LEAVE

Employees are allowed fifteen days sick leave without loss of salary, upon presentation of a Doctor's certificate showing a total disability for work.

Fifty per cent of salary allowed for next fifteen days upon presentation of a Doctor's certificate showing a total disability for work.

No salary allowed after thirty days' illness.

See Page 96 After two months' illness, employee is dropped from the pay roll.

2. ABSENCE FOR CAUSE

No salary or allowance is given if absent from work for any cause other than sickness.

3. OVERTIME

Overtime is not paid extra for over time, but is allowed to equal amount of time off, when desired, if the time and work can be arranged.

4. [illegible]

The Board of Commissioners are [illegible] maintenance be [illegible] Secretary or Board of Parks ordered by the Commission, and not [illegible] Director is [illegible].

[illegible] Superintendent, [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] direct a [illegible] of activities, [illegible] [illegible] on the attendance on the playground.

5. [illegible]

[illegible]

6. [illegible]

[illegible]

Edw. B. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 4, 1926.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of [illegible] P. M., Mr. Edward B. Young presiding.

Present: Mrs. [illegible] Stern,
Mr. Frederick J. Koster,
Mr. John Hagen,
Mr. Alfred J. Moore,
Mr. Edward B. Young.

Absent: Mrs. Jessie S. Colby,
Mrs. [illegible] Cooley.

MINUTES

The minutes of December 7, 1925, were [illegible] on motion of Mr. Hagen, seconded by Mr. Koster, and carried, [illegible] were approved, [illegible] sick leave policy be amended as follows:

After two months illness, [illegible] dropped from the pay roll, unless [illegible] Board [illegible].

[illegible]

Mr. Moore moved, [illegible] seconded by Mrs. Stern, that the Playground Commission [illegible] two [illegible] days' leave [illegible] Superintendent [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

[illegible] COUNTY OF [illegible] TY [illegible] TO PLAYGROUND

Bidder	Amount	Certified Check
L. C. McCabe	$4,274.00	$450.00
Meyer Rosenberg	4,220.00	600.00
Arthur A Smith	4,000.00	400.00
Peter Anderson	4,265.00	500.00
[illegible] L. Y. Chun	4,200.00	400.00
Bay Improvement Co.	6,214.26	750.00
Acme Construction Co.	(7,847.00 + 200.00)	790.00 (Approx.)
Rejected because "Irregular"		
York and Davidson	[illegible],461.00	660.00

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the contract was awarded to the lowest bidder, L. C. McCabe in the sum of $4,[illegible].

The secretary reported that the Volleyball and Basketball Tournaments were well under way, and that the Pavilion [illegible] was a decided success.

The President decided to visit playgrounds and playground sites, Assemblyman [illegible], Supervisor [illegible], Director of Recreation [illegible], and Secretary [illegible] on Thursday, January 19th, 1928, at 10:00 A.M. to inspect the sites recommended by the Recreation Director, which it was decided to accept.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. [illegible], the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M. to meet on Tuesday, January 24th, 1928, at 10:00 A.M. for the purpose of considering the proposed bond issue for the purchase and improvement of playgrounds, amounting to $5,000,000, on which Mr. Edward Rainey is to report. Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. Constant J. Auger, Mr. Daniel C. Murphy. Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan, Mr. John McLaren, Rev. D. O. Crowley.

[illegible] $15,000 in the Improvement Fund to the credit of the Commission, for the improvement [illegible] in that expenditure [illegible] purposes [illegible] by the Board of Supervisors [illegible] Ordinance No. [illegible].

Edda D. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 13, 1928.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the newly appointed Playground Commissioners was held in Room 376, City Hall on this day at the hour of 10:35 A.M., for the purpose of considering the proposed bond issue for playgrounds.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. John McLaren,
Rev. D. O. Crowley.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, Mrs. Sigmund Stern was appointed Chairman pro tem.

At this meeting Mr. Edward Rainey, representing the Mayor's Office, and Mr. Dion Holm, representing the City Attorney, were present.

Mr. Rainey reported that the City Engineer was willing to have the playground bond issue appear with his Hetch Hetchy Project in the May election.

After discussing the matter at length, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the Commission decided that a $5,000,000 playground bond issue be presented along with the $24,000,000 Hetch Hetchy proposition on the same ballot at the primary elections in May. This bond issue includes the purchase of 34 playground sites and 2 baseball fields in the sum of $3,750,000 and the development of them in the sum of $1,250,000.

Mr. Holm recommended immediate action on the proposed bond issue, and suggested the procedure to follow in order to have it appear before the voters in May.

The Commission decided to acquaint all the members of the Education, Parks and Playground Committee and the Finance Committee with our proposition, and to lose no time in the furtherance of the issue. Of the Board of Supervisors

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 11:30 A.M.

Edda D. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 18, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The Annual Meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M., Mr. James D. Phelan presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,

Absent: Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the regular meeting of January 4th, 1928, and of the special meeting of January 13th, 1928, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, unanimously approved as read.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, Mrs. Stern was made Acting Chairman since the next order of business was the election of President.

The Chair then announced that nominations were in order for the President of the Commission.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mr. James D. Phelan was unanimously reelected as President of the Commission for the year 1928.

The newly reelected Chairman then declared nominations were next in order for the Vice-Presidency. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern, was unanimously reelected as Vice-President of the Commission for the year 1928.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, Miss Veda B. Young was elected to serve as Secretary to the Playground Commission.

The Chairman appointed the following committees for the year 1928.

FINANCE — Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

PLAY — Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

CAMP — Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. John McLaren.

GROUNDS — Mr. John McLaren,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. James D. Phelan.

On motion, regularly moved and carried, the reading of the communications and the presentation of reports was waived until a future meeting.

DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIVES

Supervisors Frank McGovern and Dr. Toner met with the Commission, especially in regard to the Playground Bond Issue. Supervisor McGovern agreed to present the Bond Issue at next Monday's meeting of the Board of Supervisors, January 23, 1928, at 11:30 A.M., and he will receive the proper forms which will have been prepared by Mr. Dion Holm of the City Attorney's Office.

Both of these Supervisors assured the Commission they will do all they can to further the recreation needs of the people of San Francisco.

A Committee representing the East and West of Castro Improvement Club, with Mr. Joseph P. Osterloh as Chairman, and Supervisor Schmidt as special speaker, urged the Commission to consider the immediate development of the 26th and Douglass Street Site for playground purposes. They further urged the Commission's consideration of the proposed preliminary development in accordance with plans prepared by Mr. Frank Sullivan of the City Engineer's Office. Further mention was made of available money in the Board of Supervisors Special Fund which is to be used for playground development of this project. The Committee urgently petitioned the Commission not to consider the establishment of a stadium at this site.

The Chairman informed this group that action will be deferred on this matter until our newly appointed Commissioner has had an opportunity to visit the site.

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Mr. Waldo S. Coleman, President San Francisco Community Service Recreation League, presented a letter to the Commission and asked them to consider taking over the several community centers which are now operated in various sections of San Francisco on a partially self-supporting basis, and as an agency of the Community Chest.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, Miss Mosgrove and Miss Randall were appointed to make a study of this request, and to render a report at the next meeting of the Commission.

In discussing Salary Standardization of the Playground Employees, Mr. Auger requested that Miss Randall inform him when the next meeting with Mr. Grey of the Bureau of Governmental Research will be held.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, it was decided that a Special Meeting of the members of the Play Committee and Mr. Phelan be held Wednesday, January 25th, 1928, at 2 P.M. in Room 225.

Mr. Phillips reported that the Balboa Terrace Playground site bounded by Ocean Avenue, Aptos Street and Mt. Davidson Manor can be purchased in the sum of $125,000 extending over a three year period, and that with a cash payment of $40,000 the Commission will be allowed immediate possession of the site.

The Chairman asked that the matter be held in abeyance until the next regular meeting.

Mr. Phillips further reported that the purchase of additional land in St. Mary's Park which will be adequate for playground purposes in addition to the piece that may be donated, will cost the Commission between $75,000 to $100,000. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

With regard to the suggestion to purchase the two vacant lots adjacent to the West Portal Playground it was decided that the Secretary inform Supervisor Gallagher that the Commission does not approve of the purchase of this land.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the Commission authorized the purchase of two new Buick machines, and the exchange of the two used machines in the sum of $1,875.00.
Ayes: Mr. Phelan, Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern and Miss Mosgrove.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, demands Nos. 33, 34 and 35 amounting to $7,107.79 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:45 P.M.

Ida B. Young
SECRETARY

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 25, 1928.

PLAY COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Play Committee was held this day in Room 225 at the hour of 2:15 P.M., with our President, James D. Phelan, presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Chairman, Play Committee,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.
Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. Edward Rainey and Mr. William Benedict,
from the Mayor's Office.

Newspaper Policy

Before taking up Play Committee matters, the following newspaper policy was passed:

It was unanimously decided that the Playground Commission is to determine its yearly athletic, educational dramatics, and special events program, and to secure as much publicity as is possible for this program from all the newspapers.

It was further unanimously decided that the playground department will not join in with any single newspaper in the promotion of any one particular sport or activity that they may wish to feature, to the exclusion of the other newspapers.

Ida B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

February 1, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:40 P.M. with Senator James D. Phelan presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. James D. Phelan.

Absent: Rev. D. O. Crowley.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 18, 1928, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, unanimously approved as read.

DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIVES

A delegation including Supervisor Schmidt, interested in the development of 26th and Douglass Street site appeared before the Commission. After fully discussing the entire matter, the Commission decided that the Secretary inform the Board of Public Works to reject all bids for the improvement of the 26th and Douglass Street site. The Commission further decided that our department will develop this site for playground purposes in accordance with plans to be drawn up by Mr. Homer B. Pack, after the transfer of moneys in the sum of $14,876.30 especially set aside by the Board of Supervisors for this particular project, is made to this department. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors and request the transfer of the money to this department.

Supervisor McGovern attended the meeting, and urged the Commission to consider the need for playgrounds for the Bay View as well as the Crocker Amazon District.

He also stated that confirming the action taken at the meeting of the Board of Supervisors on Monday, January 23rd, 1928, in regard to the Playground Bond Issue, his committee felt it was for the best interests of all to defer the bond issue for some future time other than the May election.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two communications were received, one from the Board of Education, and one from Fernando Nelson and Sons, regarding the closing of Kenwood Way which is located in the site considered for a playground in Balboa Terraces. The Commission decided to let the matter wait until definite action is taken regarding the purchase of this playground site.

Mr. Joseph J. Phillips was instructedby the Chairman to see Mr. Philip Paschel regarding the appraisal of the property in question.

A notice was received from Dr. Hassler, granting permission to this department to operate a year-round camp on the property of the San Francisco Health Farm in accordance with their letter under date of January 26, 1928. Letter ordered filed, and the Commission will visit this site as soon as it is convenient.

Miss Mosgrove reported that she and Miss Randall had visited the Community Centers as requested, and submitted a statistical report including appraisements of the land and building values. Copies of the report will be sent to all of the Commission in order that they may look into the matter further.

Mr. Phillips called to the Commission's attention the need of deciding definitely about a playground in St. Mary's Park. The Chairman asked that this matter be made a special order for the next Commission meeting.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, authorization was given for the shipment of cinders necessary for the Jackson Playground running track.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, Demands Nos. 38, 39 and 40 amounting to $4,353.00 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Phelan, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger and Mr. Laren.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:15 P.M.

Ida B. Young
SECRETARY

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 15, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M., Senator James D. Phelan presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. James D. Phelan.

Absent: Mr. Daniel C. Murphy,
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of February 1, 1928 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS AND REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Fernando Nelson addressed the Commission, and presented a letter requesting the Playground Commission not to close Kenwood Way in the Balboa Terrace playground site. The Chairman assured Mr. Nelson the Commission will consider the wishes of the people living in the adjacent tract. Letter ordered filed.

Mr. August J. Lang of the Lang Realty Company presented a petition signed by residents living in the vicinity of the proposed playground asking that Kenwood Way and San Aleso Avenue be closed. The petition was ordered filed, and will be given due consideration.

A committee representing the McKinley School Parent Teachers' Association, with Mrs. Rothwell as spokesman, requested the Commission to consider, at the opportune time, their request for enlarging the present McKinley Schoolyard Playground. A drawing of this proposed enlargement was also presented, and was ordered filed. The Grounds Committee has been asked to look into this request.

Mr. James P. Burke requested the Commission to consider the cost of replacement of windows at his residence near the James Rolph Jr. Playground. The Superintendent reported that the windows were not broken during playground hours. The Chairman therefore informed him that he could not be reimbursed by this department.

COMMUNICATIONS

Several letters were received suggesting that a playground be named in honor of the late Father Crowley. One was from the Mayor, another from the directors of Mission Playground, a third from a Mr. William R. Sampson of 1821 Eddy Street, and one from Stephen J. Crowley of J. H. Kruse Company. The Commission will give due consideration to this matter before deciding which playground will be named in honor of Father Crowley. Letters ordered filed, and the Secretary to acknowledge their receipt.

A communication was received from Mr. C. A. Anderson, Principal Hamilton Junior High School regarding the toilet situation at Hamilton Playground and at the Junior High School. The Commission asked Miss Randall to arrange a meeting with the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors and both she and Mrs. Stern were asked to represent the Commission. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. J. C. Astredo, Chief Probation Officer, asking that the Commission supervise play at the Juvenile Detention Home, for two hours daily. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission unanimously decided to provide a playground director.

A communication was received from Mr. J. T. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors asking that the Commission consider a land donation, which is situated southwest of Evans Avenue between Ingalls and Griffith Streets, for playground purposes. The communication was ordered filed and the Grounds Committee asked to investigate.

Mr. Joseph J. Phillips reported that he had secured a price of $170,000 for the playground site in the Balboa Terraces. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, he was authorized to purchase the land if he can procure it for $100,000.

Mr. Riordan reported on the St. Mary's Park proposed site which can be procured for $107,250. The Commission decided to visit this property again before taking final action.

In discussing the possibility of taking over the Community Service Centers, the Commission decided to visit them before taking action.

The Chairman of the Play Committee reported she has secured an excellent person, Mrs. Marie V. Foster by name, to supervise our Music Department.

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Mr. Pack reported that the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors will allow the Playground Commission to draw on the $14,876.30 which has been specifically set aside for the development of a playground at 26th and Douglass Streets, provided the work is to proceed immediately. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, Mr. Pack was asked to confer first with Mr. John McLaren, and then to immediately go ahead with the development.

Miss Randall asked that the Commission consider the authorization of certain construction and maintenance work on the playgrounds to help relieve the unemployment situation. The Commission authorized the proposed construction and improvement work at Ocean View, 26th and Douglass, University Mound, Glen Park, Richmond and North Beach Playgrounds.

Mrs. Stern reported that an architect by the name of Mr. Gardner A. Dailey, has been recommended to this department to make the necessary drawings for a large field house for one of the playgrounds.

Demands Nos. 41, 42, and 43 amounting to $4,628.64 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, approved as presented. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Phelan and Mr. Auger.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, it was decided to adjourn the meeting out of respect to the memory of Reverend D. O. Crowley, and the Secretary was asked to have the following resolution spread on the minutes of the Commission.

IN MEMORIAM REV. D. O CROWLEY

WHEREAS — Father Crowley has been called to his eternal rest, the Playground Commission desires to give fitting expression to his relatives in their great loss, and

WHEREAS — His years of untiring devotion to the Playground Department, as well as his indefatigable efforts in the upbuilding of our community and particularly his devotion to the youth of our city, made him one of the most beloved and outstanding officials in the United States; be it

RESOLVED — That the Playground Commission, in regular session this day, Wednesday, February 15, 1928, expresses their profound grief and condolence with the community in its great loss; be it further

RESOLVED — That the Playground Commission adjourn this day out of respect to the memory of Father Crowley, and that this Resolution be duly signed by the members of the Playground Commission and be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy be forwarded to his surviving relatives.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Udah B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 16, 1928.

CAMP COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Camp Committee was held at the hour of 7:30 P.M. on this day, Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Miss Josephine D. Randall,
Miss Veda B. Young,
Mr. Norman R. Center,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Homer B. Pack.

The Camp Manager reported that we are abandoning the cabins on the Engineer's side of camp this season.

Mr. Pack and Mr. Center reported on certain needed improvements at camp which will be reported to the Commission at the next meeting, and which are as follows:

Cafeteria Counter	$323.00
Dishwashing Equipment	116.00
Two Washrooms	1714.00
Mattress and Pillow Covers	350.00
Septic Tank and Sewer	7397.00
Election Booths	1200.00
Tables and Chairs	750.00
	$11,850.00

Mr. Center was authorized to see Mr. Leonard S. Leavy regarding the method of purchasing supplies for camp this season.

Mr. John Franco's request for the saddle horse concession for this season has been granted, with the understanding that he procure permission from the Yosemite Park and Curry Company to operate in the National Park.

PERSONNEL

Botanist

In regard to the services of a botanist at camp, Mr. Center was authorized to take up the matter with one of the Lowell High School teachers.

Doctor

The Secretary was authorized to make arrangements for a doctor at camp.

It was decided that no positions would be held open for flunkies since a definite change will be made in personnel.

TRANSPORTATION

The Secretary was instructed to inquire of the Southern Pacific Railway Company what bus facilities they may possibly be able to offer us to transport excursionists to camp.

BOOKLETS

It was decided to have the same size booklet as last year, and to eliminate cost of trips.

RATES

The rates will be the same this year as last season.

LENGTH OF SEASON

June 17th through August 25th -- 10 weeks duration.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 9:15 P.M.

Udah B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 7, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M. with Senator James D. Phelan presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of February 15th, 1928, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

DELEGATES AND REPRESENTATIVES

Several representatives from the Hayes Valley Merchants and Property Owners Association were present. Mrs. George Segurson of 282 Oak Street addressed the Commission asking that a playground be established in their neighborhood. Three sites were suggested: 1.- The Moulder School. 2.-The lot facing on Page Street between Gough and Octavia. 3.-Old property on Fell Street between Gough and Octavia Streets. The Chairman referred this matter to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

Representatives from the Crocker Amazon District were present with Mrs. W. J. Dempsey of 424 Cordova Street as spokesman, and suggested that a site near the dairy property in their district be set aside for a ball field and playground.

Supervisor Colman and James Maher, Secretary of the Civil Service Commission were present at the meeting in the interest of Civil Service for the playground employees. Supervisor Colman asked for the Playground Commission's support on the amendment proposed for the November election which will bring the playground employees under Civil Service.

Mr. K. Knutsen, President of the Oceanside Community Club and Miss Lois Williams, the Executive Secretary of Community Service, appeared before the Commission to furnish information regarding the Community Centers. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan stating that the Streets Committee of the Board of Supervisors had approved the closing of San Aleso Avenue, but not Kenwood Way in the Balboa Terrace site. Letter ordered filed.

Several letters were received, one from the Board of Education regarding property in the Sunset District, and others from various groups asking that the purchase of land for playgrounds be considered for their districts. Letters ordered filed and the Grounds Committee asked to investigate.

Mr. Joseph Phillips presented the agreement for the Balboa Terrace playground purchase. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously approved and at the purchase price of $125,000.

The several resolutions for the purchase of property in the Ocean View Playground site totaling $17,125, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as presented. Ayes:- James D. Phelan, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Constant J. Auger, John McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, it was decided that Mr. Phillips be authorized to place one of his appraisers on this department's payroll, at the rate of $300 per month, to complete about $35,000 in property purchases in the Ocean View Playground site.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and carried, the Commission went on record as favoring the request of the Golden Gate Kindergarten Association for the establishment of a memorial to Anna Ntovel on one of the San Francisco Playgrounds.

Mr. Gardner A. Bailey presented for the Commission's consideration, the drawing of the University Mound field house and swimming pool.

The Superintendent reported the need for adequate housing facilities for the playground costume department and the recommendation that the Playground Club House on Sacramento Street be used for this purpose and the activities conducted there at present be held in the Galileo High School, if permission is granted by the Board of Education.

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The Superintendent reported on the great need of enlarging Hamilton Playground, especially because of the degenerate situation which is prevalent in the park area outside the playground. Mr. McLaren agreed to the removal of the shrubbery in these areas, and to an enlargement of the present playground boundaries, with the preservation, however, of a section on each end for the use of adults.

The Commission decided that the playground budget for 1928-29 be made out to include the 7¢ appropriation.

The Grounds Committee reported in favor of accepting the land at Hunters Point, southwest of Evans Avenue between Ingalls and Griffith Streets, for playground purposes. The Secretary was instructed by the Chair to reply to the Board of Supervisors accepting this property.

Mr. Pack presented an estimate of $17,000 for the cost of developing the St. Mary's playground site. The Commission decided to hold the purchase of this property in abeyance.

Mr. Auger presented an estimate of $12,000 for the needed improvement at the Municipal Camp to include: Cafeteria counter, washrooms, mattresses and pillow covers, septic tank and sewer, election booths, tables and chairs and dishwashing equipment.

Mr. Pack was instructed to see the Engineer's Office regarding the status of the lands at Mather before the improvements are made.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried Mr. Pack was authorized to proceed with the development of the Potrero Hill playground and also the improvement of Mission Playground.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried the exchange of one of the department's Ford Trucks for a new Dodge Truck costing approximately $1000, was authorized. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Auger and Mr. McLaren.

Demands Nos. 44, 45, 46 and 47 amounting to $22,800.05 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove approved as presented. Ayes: Mr. Phelan, Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove and Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Eda B. Young
SECRETARY

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 21, 1928.

M e e t i n g

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:00 P.M., Senator James D. Phelan presiding.

Present: James D. Phelan,
Constant J. Auger,
Miss Alice Mosgrove,
John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Daniel C. Murphy

M i n u t e s

The minutes of the meeting of March 7th, 1928, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from Mrs. Caroline Severance Mark, Chairman, Committee on Welfare of Playgrounds, relative to a request for the appointment of a Board of Consultants. Letter ordered filed, and the Chairman stated that the matter would be considered at the first meeting to be held in April, 1928, at 10 A.M.

Bills were received from Mr. Pack in the sums of $[illegible] for [illegible] Playground, $[illegible] for [illegible] Playground, $[illegible] for [illegible] Playground, and $[illegible] for [illegible] Playground. Bills referred to the Grounds Committee for report.

[illegible] Playground [illegible]

A communication from [illegible] Mather Improvement Association, Mather, Calif., and the Secretary instructed to reply that the Grounds Committee has been asked to make a decision in this matter.

A communication was received from the Sunnyside Parent Teacher Association asking the Commission to consider establishing a playground near the Sunnyside School. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Grounds Committee will look into the request.

Mr. Mooser presented an offer for the conveyance of land located in St. Mary's Park, which has been donated by the Roman Catholic Archbishop of San Francisco to the Playground Commission. He also presented the cost of $7,500 for the purchase of additional property, adjacent to the land donation sufficient to [illegible] playground.

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Eda B. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

Playground Commission

San Francisco; April 4, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding. Since this was a Minority Meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Alicia Mosgrove
Constant J. Auger

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Daniel C. Murphy
John Mclaren
James D. Phelan.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of March 21st were on motio of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors stating that the Streets Committee has taken under advisement the Playground Commission's request for the use of the property in Hunter's Point offered to our department. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from May Mclafferty, Secretary of the Bay View Promotion Association, requesting the Commission to establish a playground at Third, Salinas, Lane and Key Streets. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the request has been referred to the Grounds Committee for consideration.

A letter was received from George W. Gerhard, Secretary Civic League of Improvement Clubs and Associations, asking for information about this department, in relation to the Bond Issue. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply.

A communication was received from A. G. Spalding and Bros. suggesting that the Playground Department install a jungle gym on trial on one of the playgrounds. It was decided to install one at the University Mound Playground, and if satisfactory to arrange for the purchase of same. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from George W. Braden asking that Miss Randall represent the National Association in the campaign for securing recreation areas in local real estate subdivisions. Letter ordered filed, and Miss Randall was authorized to act as the representative.

Bids were received as follows for the construction work proposed for the San Francisco Municipal Camp:

		Certified Check
Yost and Davidson Inc.	10,438	1,100
Thos. W. Jones	14,760	1,500.

The Commission decided not to make a decision at this time.

The Commission decided that the playground directors will have to use their own discretion in giving preference to adults or children in the use of the tennis courts and ball fields on Saturday afternoons and Sundays.

The Commission decided that during Mr. Auger's absence Miss Mosgrove serve on the Finance Committee of the Playground Commission, and be authorized to sign all pay rolls and demands.

A request was received from Mr. J. W. Riddle asking the Playground Commission to consider the purchase of the southern portion of the block bounded by 39th, 40th, Vicente and Ulloa Streets if the Board of Education purchases the upper section from Ulloa to a point 325' south. The Commission decided not to take any steps unless a request is received from the Board of Education.

A resolution for the purchase of property in the Potrero Hill site in the sum of $2,750.00 was passed. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Auger.

The Superintendent presented progress reports regarding salary standardization received from the Bureau of Governmental Research. Ordered filed.

The Commission decided that Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Mclaren and Miss Randall visit all of the proposed playground sites to determine which ones will be included in the August bond issue.

Demands Nos. 52, 53 and 54 amounting to $2,712.88 were approved for payment. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:05 P.M.

Assistant Secretary

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, April 18, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commism on was called to order this day at the hour of 3 P.M. with Senator James D. Phelan presiding. Since this was a Minority Meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Senator James D. Phelan,
Alicia Mosgrove

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Daniel C. Murphy,
John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

On motion regularly moved and carried the reading of the minutes of April 4, 1928, was waived until the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

COMMUNICATIONS

On a motion regularly moved and carried, the reading of the communications was waived.

Mr. John O'Toole, City Attorney, called in to see the Commission, and gave his approval of the agreement for the purchase of property in Balboa Terraces.

The Chairman authorized Miss Randall to prepare a complete list of sites to be included in the playground bond issue, and also to ask Mr. Joseph Phillips to appraise the property.

Demands Nos. 55, 56 and 57 amounting to $8,170.14 were approved and ordered paid.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

Eva B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 2, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Senator James D. Phelan presiding. Since this was a Minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: James D. Phelan
Alicia Mosgrove
John McLaren

Absent: Daniel C. Murphy,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Constant J. Auger.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of April 4th and April 18th, were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by John McLaren, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A resolution for the purchase of property on Potrero Hill in the sum of $2000 in favor of Walter and Mary Hausner, was on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved for passage. Ayes: James D. Phelan, John McLaren and Alicia Mosgrove.

A communication was received from J. M. Gwinn, Superintendent of Schools, stating the Board of Education's willingness to allow the Playground Commission to conduct a schoolyard playground at the John Muir School if they desire to do so. Letter ordered filed.

A petition was received from residents in the vicinity of the John Muir School requesting the Commission to supervise play in that schoolyard. Petition ordered filed, the Superintendent having visited the ground and having stated that it will be satisfactory to use should the Commission desire to increase the number of schoolyard playgrounds.

A letter was received from Mr. J. C. Astredo regarding the plan to bring the National Conference of Social Work for 1929 to San Francisco. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried it was decided that the Playground Commission send a night letter to Memphis, Tennessee, urging that San Francisco be selected for the next year's convention. Letter ordered filed.

In discussing the sites to be included in the Playground Bond Issue, the Commission decided to visit them, and to determine which ones will be incorporated.

Miss Mosgrove rendered a report of the Judiciary Meeting of the Board of Supervisors held on May 1, 1928, at which time Civil Service and its relationship to the Playground Department was discussed. The information requested by the Judiciary Committee will be forwarded to them.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, it was decided that two new playgrounds be purchased, one for the [illegible] playground and one for the Julius Kahn Playground to cost approximately $50.00 each. Ayes: J. McLaren, J. D. Phelan, Alicia Mosgrove.

The Superintendent reported that Mrs. Mosser, owner of that property facing on 20th Avenue and Wilson Street offered her lots to this department for playground purposes for $7,000 with the understanding that the Commission go on record as favoring the purchase of a portion of the property in order that the Board of Education may then consider the [illegible] section. The Playground Commission decided not to take any action in the matter, because of lack of funds.

Mr. Sloman presented the proposal for the purchase of property in St. Mary's Park. The Commission decided to let the agreement wait until the Playground Department's appropriation for 1928-1929 is known.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, Mr. Hack was authorized to make arrangements for the erection of the [illegible] Street side of the James Rolph Jr. Playground at the approximate cost of $[illegible], this to include approximately 200 feet of [illegible] fence.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and carried, it was decided that the Playground Department pave that portion of the Street paving on Funston Avenue, at the Mission Playground in the approximate sum of $200.00.

Demands Nos. 58, 59, 60 and 61 amounting to $[illegible] were approved and ordered paid. Ayes. James D. Phelan, John McLaren, and Alicia Mosgrove.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:30 P.M.

Vida B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 16, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Alicia Mosgrove,
Daniel C. Murphy.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
James D. Phelan,
Constant J. Auger,
John McLaren,
George Hearst

M I N U T E S

The minutes of May 2nd, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. Thomas Best regarding a concession opposite Fleishhacker Playfield. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply suggesting a delegation from her district appeal to the Police Commission, for settlement of this matter.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the Crocker Amazon District, with Supervisor McGovern and Mr. W. E. Bauman of 911 Naples St. as speakers, appeared before the Commission in the interest of their district. They request the establishment of a school-yard playground at the Guadalupe School. The Secretary was authorized to write to the Superintendent of Schools and ask the permission of the Board of Education for the Playground Department to supervise play at the Guadalupe School.

Supervisor McGovern reported that he would call a meeting of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee on Friday at which time the question of the playground bond issue will be presented, in order to bring it before the Board of Supervisors on Monday, May 21st, 1928.

Demands #62, 63 and 64 amounting to $7,788.03 were, on motion of Mr. Murphy, Seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved for payment. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3 :55 P.M.

Victor J. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 6, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Mrs. Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Senator James D. Phelan,
Mr. Constant J. Jaeger,
Mr. George Hearst,
Dr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of May 16, 1928, were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by John McLaren, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A copy of an opinion concerning the Playground Department which was sent from the City Attorney to the Auditor was received regarding the renting of grading equipment and the entering into contracts exceeding $500.00. Ordered filed, and the procedure noted.

A communication was received from the Civic League of Improvement Clubs asking for information regarding transportation to the camp. Ordered filed, and the matter to be referred to Mr. Turner in his return.

Two requests were received for the establishment of schoolyard playgrounds, one at Mission Dolores, and one at the Marshall Hill. Letters ordered filed and the secretary to reply that since the Dolores schoolyard is too small, and the Marshall Hill is in such close proximity to two of our large playgrounds, the Commission does not recommend their operation.

A communication was received from the [illegible] Improvement Company offering a quotation on constructing sidewalks on two sides of Jackson Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the secretary to reply that the Commission does not intend having the work performed at this time.

A communication was received from Mrs. [illegible] Powers of 144- Alabama Street asking permission for the naval reserves to use Bernal Heights to hold drill practice on that and other playgrounds. Letter ordered filed, and the secretary to reply that the Commission deems it inadvisable to grant such permission.

Bids were received for the furnishing and installation of lighting fixtures at the Joost Avenue Playground in the sum of $[illegible]. A. Hamilton of 415 Sutter Street. Certified check for [illegible] accompanied the bid. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, the bid was awarded to the bidder.

Mr. Hilling reported that the number of trees set in the Bolton Terrace Playground all will come up for final inspection, Monday, June 11, 1928, [illegible] of this officially transpired.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, the Secretary was directed to file a claim with the Board of Supervisors for the sum of $[illegible] for a site leased in the year of [illegible], which was approved.

The [illegible] authorized to execute, until a permanent, contracting department of the Board of Public Works accepts, all leases of the Park Playground.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, the Chief [illegible], Assistant Engineer, [illegible] be employed on the [illegible] work approved and ordered filed. Mrs. Alice Cosgrove, Mrs. Carl [illegible].

In presenting estimates for the furnishing of [illegible] lockers for all playgrounds, as needed, on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and carried, it was decided to [illegible] at this time, with [illegible] Secretary to [illegible].

The meeting was then adjourned at [illegible].

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

Playground Commission

San Francisco; June 29, 1928.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:45 P.M., with Mr. James D. Phelan presiding.

Present: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Lurer.

Absent: Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy

MINUTES

The minutes of June 6th were, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Captain J. J. Kavanagh, Commanding Officer of Field Unit of the League of the Cross Cadets asking permission to use the James Rolph Jr. Playground for drill purposes. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, permission was granted on a month to month basis. The decision made at the last Commission meeting, denying the Royal Neighbors of America permission to use the Glen and Folsom St. Playground for drill purposes was revised and permission was granted them on a month to month basis provided a responsible person be placed in charge. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Portola District Merchants Association requesting that the playground in their district be called Portola instead of Intermediate Yard. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the request was approved, providing the district is now known as the Portola District. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible] requesting the present Dunbold Cover continue. Miss Marshall reported that all the playgrounds were authorized to carry on a play and recreation as a special precaution.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles S. [illegible] of the Board of Fifth Number Commission requesting the opening of the James Lick Jackson School as a schoolyard playground. Miss Marshall recommended that this ground be opened as a supervised playground. On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Lurer, and unanimously carried, it was approved. (On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Lurer, and unanimously carried, it was approved.) Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Potrero District Improvement Club requesting the establishment of a playground [illegible] and Wisconsin Streets. On motion of Mr. Lurer, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the letter was referred to the Executive Committee for investigation.

A communication was received from the Potrero Improvement Association urging that the Commission [illegible] Potrero Hill, Block [illegible], Lot [illegible], bounded by Wisconsin, 20th and 22nd Streets, for playground purposes. After discussion the matter was referred to the Executive Committee for investigation.

Communication was received from the Board of Public Works relative to the [illegible] of Block [illegible], Lot [illegible], bounded by Ellis, Leavenworth and Eddy

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A complaint was presented from Mrs. Bauer who stated that as a result of dust from the grading being done at the 26th and Douglass St. playground site her House, just newly painted, would have to be repainted. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the Superintendent of Construction was authorized to attend to the necessary repairs.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, demands Nos. 48, 49, 50 and 51 amounting to $35,429.02 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. Phelan, Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern and Miss Mosgrove.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:30 P.M.

Vida B. Young
Secty.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 11, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alice Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren,
Senator James D. Phelan.

Absent: Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the Minority meetings of April 16th, May 2, and May 16th were approved as read.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, the minutes of June 27th, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two communications were received commending the Playground Commission's Camp at Mather, one from Mr. J. F. Fitzpie of 1343 Polk[illegible] Avenue, and the other from Mr. Ashley Turner of Mt. Tell. Communications ordered filed, and the Secretary to send each of the writers a letter of appreciation.

The First announcement from the Playground and Recreation Association of America's Fifteenth National Recreation Congress was received, and the Commission was invited to attend the meetings to be held in Atlantic City, October 1 - 6, 1928. Letter ordered filed.

BIDS

The following bids were received for the tennis and basketball courts and the concrete wall at the Ocean View Playground, Montana Street and Capitol Avenue, and the paving at Marina Playground, Lyon and Avenue "A":

[illegible]	$ [illegible]	Ocean View [illegible] Mission	Cert. ch. $140.
[illegible] Improvement Co.	[illegible]	Ocean View [illegible] Mission	$450.
[illegible] H. Wilson Co.	[illegible]		$460.
[illegible]	[illegible]		$480.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the work at the Ocean View [illegible] was awarded to the lowest bidder, [illegible] and J. F. Dowd, in the sum of $[illegible] and $[illegible] respectively.

Sealed bids for [illegible] Playground were received as follows:

[illegible]	$ [illegible]	Cert. ch. $ [illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the work at the [illegible] was awarded to [illegible] in the sum of $[illegible].

Mr. [illegible] reported that [illegible] had failed to [illegible], and in order to avoid [illegible] the [illegible], and to [illegible] satisfaction of [illegible].

The Secretary was instructed [illegible] to [illegible] of the following bids: [illegible] Construction, [illegible] Hill, [illegible] Ocean View [illegible].

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, the contract was awarded to [illegible] Hill, at [illegible] per [illegible] to the Ocean View Playground in the sum of $[illegible], and to the [illegible] Hill site in the sum of $[illegible].

[illegible] Lights

The Grounds Committee [illegible] from [illegible] to the proposed [illegible] Lights, [illegible] as follows:

1.- That the Russian Hill site, [illegible] Taylor and Vallejo Streets be eliminated from the [illegible] lights;

2.- That the [illegible] Playground, [illegible] Avenue and Cabrillo Street be included in the [illegible] lights;

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3.- Mr. Cannon was asked to procure figures from Mr. Phillips for the next Commission meeting for a piece of property in the vegetable gardens at San Jose Avenue and Dorland Street.

4.- Mr. Herman was also asked to secure an estimate from Mr. Phillips for the purchase of the entire proposed area on Corona Heights for playground purposes.

5.- A cigarette site located at Palace, Richmond, Church and Castro streets, which belongs to the Spring Valley Water Company, was visited. Mr. Cannon was asked to inquire the purchase price from Mr. Phillips, and also to find out the present and existing business zoning provisions.

6.- The site adjoining the John Swett School at Page, Gen and Webster streets was visited, and it was reported that this land will cost approximately $15,000.

7.- The Commission passed favorably on the acquisition of land on Telegraph Hill located at Green Street, between Kearny and Montgomery Streets, through [illegible] Company.

8.- The Commission recommended the inclusion of a block near the [illegible] Tunnel. A tentative location is that property bounded by Natoma, Hawthorne and Minna Streets. Mr. Cannon was asked to have figures ready for the next Commission meeting, and the value of the intervening property.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, [illegible] was authorized to [illegible] Tunnel, in the sum of $[illegible].00 as refund. Pres. Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Auger.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, [illegible] Mr. [illegible] accounting to [illegible] Tunnel. Pres. Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Auger.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 18, 1920.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 P.M., with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting when a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan;
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy;
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the minutes of July 11th were approved as read.

Bids for work on the Playgrounds were received as follows:

26th & Douglass Playground	Bid	Fencing Certified Check
H. E. Mc Coy	$41.25	$5.00
C. A. Grant	725.00	75.00

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the work was awarded to the low bidder, i.e. H. E. McCoy, in the sum of $41.25.

26th & Douglass Playground	Bid	Plumbing Certified Check
John J. Carmody	$1086.00	100.00
J. R. Williamson	1370.00	137.00

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the work was awarded to John J. Carmody, in the sum of $1086.00.

North Beach Playground	Bid	Paving Certified Check
H. C. [illegible] Co.	$340.00	$000.00
C. C. [illegible]	[illegible]	85.00

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the work was awarded to [illegible] Co. in the sum of $340.00.

Supervisor Dolcemo appeared before the Commission and asked that the Playground Commissioners [illegible] to the Board of Supervisors [illegible] Commissioners decided to hold a special meeting of the Board at the Recreation Center, [illegible] and [illegible] Avenue, at 8 P.M., for the purpose of [illegible] bond issue.

Mr. Cannon presented the following information regarding [illegible] Playground Commissioners and [illegible] to Supervisors:

1. [illegible] Park would involve a cost of $[illegible] for [illegible]. The Commission decided to have Cannon [illegible] regarding cost of acquiring [illegible] Park.

2. [illegible] Park cannot be secured because of [illegible] agreement [illegible] Park Commissioners.

3. [illegible] Commissioners to include the purchase of land in the [illegible] Park in the bond issue.

4. [illegible] Park be included in the bond issue as [illegible] five acres of [illegible] Park and [illegible] Park, [illegible] $[illegible].00.

5. They were asked to include the purchase of additional property on [illegible] Hill in the bond issue, which is located [illegible] to Vallejo [illegible] Grant Avenue to Sacramento St. [illegible] will be approximately $[illegible].00.

6. [illegible] Stadium [illegible] be included in [illegible] bond issue will cost approximately $[illegible].00.

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Mr. Pack was authorized to make arrangements for the asbestos shingling of the roof of the field house at the 26th and Douglass Sts. playground, which work will cost approximately $286.00.

Mr. Pack was also authorized to proceed with the erection of an adequate storage building, 24' x 36', at the camp at Lather, which construction will cost approximately $1000.00.

Demands No. 11, and 12, amounting to $ 2,540.08, were, on motion of Mr. Sauer, seconded by Miss Rosgrove, approved as presented. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Alicia Rosgrove, Mr. Constant Sauer.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 7:40 P.M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 24, 1928.
11 A.M.

MEETING OF PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

A meeting of the Playground Commission with the members of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors, was held this day at the hour of 11 A.M. for the purpose of deciding the amount of the Playground Bond Issue.

Present: Senator James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Rosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Sauer,

Supervisor McGovern,
Supervisor Anderson.

After a general discussion, the Commission unanimously decided, since our bond payments totaled $6,630,175, and by eliminating certain projects, they could be reduced to $5,187,725, to ask for a $5,000,000 bond issue.

A delegation from the Crattan School District, with Rep. C. Alfred Sandy Jr. of 20 Clyde St. as spokesman, urged the purchase of improved land adjacent or near to the Crattan School for playground purposes. The Commission decided to view this suggested site, in order to make a decision regarding including it in the bond issue.

Supervisors McGovern and Anderson promised their support of the proposed playground $5,000,000 Bond Issue.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 12 M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

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San Francisco, August 1, 1928.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 5:15 P.M., with Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting, at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Alicia Bosmore
Constant J. Auger

Absent: Senator James L. Dolan,
Mrs. Sigrid Maier,
John Mc Laren,
Daniel C. Murphy,
George Wagner.

MINUTES

The minutes of July 18th, 1928, on motion of Miss Bosmore, seconded by Mr. Auger, were ordered read, subject to publication of the next regular meeting, at which time a quorum will be present.

CIVIC LEAGUE [illegible] A communication was received from Miss Helen Wessell, Secretary of the North and Eastern District Improvement Club, asking for a hearing by the Commission regarding a playground for that district. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that this matter will not be taken up with them in the near future.

A communication was received from [illegible], Secretary of the Civic League of Improvement Clubs and Associations, stating that the Commission was regarding the playground [illegible]. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply.

A communication was received from Mr. [illegible], Secretary of the [illegible] Club, [illegible] playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply.

A communication was received from [illegible] asking that he be appointed Janitor of Playground by the Commission. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply.

A communication was received from [illegible], asking that he be appointed Janitor of the Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply.

[illegible] addressed to the Commission, stating that [illegible] would be held in the National Playground Conference [illegible] to be held [illegible] to [illegible]. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary [illegible] Miss [illegible] as delegate to the Conference.

[illegible] for the purchase of property [illegible] and [illegible] property to [illegible] on the west [illegible] Street, [illegible] and [illegible] Street, [illegible] Street, [illegible] and [illegible] Street, [illegible] Street, [illegible] Street,

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San Francisco, August 15, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding:

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by John McLaren, and unanimously carried, the minutes of August 1, 1928, and of the minority meetings of July 11th, and 18th, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from George W. Gerhard, Secretary of the Civic League of Improvement Clubs, asking information regarding transportation to Camp Mather. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply.

A resolution for the purchase of property in the Ocean View Playground was presented in favor of Ludinka Kellajtes for $3200.00, and Frances Murray for $5750.00. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by John McLaren and carried, the amount was ordered paid. Ayes: Alicia Mosgrove, John McLaren, Constant Auger, George Hearst.

The Secretary was authorized to have complete information to present regarding State Compensation Insurance for the playground employees at the next Commission meeting.

The Superintendent of Recreation reported that Supervisor McGovern was attending to the necessary arrangements through the City Attorney's Office for the playground bond issue of $3,100,000 to come before the Board of Supervisors Monday, August 20th, for passage.

Miss Mosgrove reported that she will see Senator Phelan regarding Colonel Filmer taking charge of the Citizens' Committee for the Playground Bond Issue.

Demands #17, 18, 19 and 20 amounting to $17,685.66 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove approved as presented. Ayes: Constant Auger, Alicia Mosgrove, John McLaren and George Hearst.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:15 P.M.

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 5, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M., in Room 376, City Hall, with Mrs. Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Daniel C. Murphy,
Senator James D. Phelan.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the minutes of the meeting of August 15, 1928, were unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Center endorsing and recommending to its membership the playground bond issue. Ordered filed, and the Secretary to acknowledge the endorsement with thanks.

A communication was received from the Glen Park Community Club asking that certain improvements be madeon the Glen Park Playground. Ordered filed, and the request referred to Miss Randall and Mr. Pack for consideration.

A communication was received from the Golden Gate Parent Teacher Association requesting the supervision of the Golden Gate Schoolyd. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent to take up the request with the Recreation Chairman of the Parent Teacher Association regarding a general policy.

A communication was received from the State Compensation Insurance Fund regarding the rate of compensation insurance for all playground employees. Letter ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the Secretary was authorized to make the necessary arrangements for this department to be covered by the State Compensation Insurance Fund, which is to become effective September 8, 1928. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Hearst and Mr. McLaren.

The chair appointed Mr. George Hearst on the Finance and Ground Committees of the Playground Commission.

The Secretary reported that the Playground "Lindy" League contests held recently were very successful and several national records were broken.

The Superintendent reported that in accordance with the necessary requirements the information regarding the playground bond issue will be forwarded to the City Engineer. The Commission agreed to include in the Playground Bond Issue a site in the Eureka Valley District.

In discussing the completion of the 26th and Douglass Street Playground the Commission decided to hold the work in abeyance.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, it was decided that Mr. Phillips inquire from the Board of Public Works the possibility of this department procuring a portion of land adjoining the Glen Park Playground on Elk Street.

The Superintendent reported that the former Michaelangelo School site on Greenwich Street between Jones and Leavenworth Streets has been turned over to this department by the Board of Education. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, Mr. Pack was authorized to expend $4850. in improving this property for recreation purposes.

The Commission recommends that this department should ask for that Spring Valley property in Block 46 which is bounded by Bay, Larkin, Francisco and Hyde Streets.

Mr. Harman was asked to check over the available land the city has acquired by reason of the Spring Valley purchase.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove it was unanimously decided to spend $252.00 to cover the cost of enclosing the outer playground office in Room 376, City Hall.

The Commission decided that Miss Mosgrove and Miss Williams be placed in charge of the furnishing of the playground field houses.

Miss Mosgrove reported that she has been visiting the playground buildings and grounds. As a direct result of the existing conditions, the Commission has authorized Mr. Pack to discharge anyone in his department when necessary.

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On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried it was decided that new employees in the Construction, Maintenance and Upkeep Department be placed on a sliding scale salary basis, to range from $100 to $150 per month.

Mrs. Stern was authorized to see General Hines regarding the possibility of the Playground Commission procuring the use of another piece of property in the Presidio of San Francisco for playground purposes.

The chair announced that the meeting of the Citizens' Committee for the Playground Bond Issue will be held in Room 251, on Wednesday, September 12th, 1928.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove the resolution for the 2nd payment on the Balboa Terrace Property in favor of Oscar M. Hueter and Ernest C. Hueter in the sum of $47,775, was unanimously approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Hearst and Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried the demands #21, 22, 23 amounting to $9,403.79 were approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Hearst.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:30 P.M.

Tida B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco; September 19, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Senator James D. Phelan,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of September 5th, 1928 were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Auditor Boyle regarding camp deposits. Ordered filed and the Secretary to take up the matter with the Chairman of the Camp Committee and the Auditor.

The Commission decided to have an exhibit in the Civic Auditorium, October 21st - 27th, 1928, in connection with the Annual Food and Household Exposition, and selected the same location as that used last year.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried the Secretary was authorized to have a small playground department booklet printed which will be ready for distribution in October.

The Superintendent reported that Senator Phelan has set aside Room 658, in the Phelan Building to be used as the headquarters for the Playground Bond Issue.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, the following employees are to be immediately placed in the permanent employ of the Playground Commission:

George Harman at the rate of $175.00 per month to be in charge of Research, Statistics and Drafting;

Lois Williams at the rate of $250.00 per month, to be in charge of recreation centers;

Doris Brown at the rate of $130.00 per month as bookkeeper, stenographer, clerk.

The Superintendent was asked to see Mr. Maher of the Civil Service Department regarding the status of the Civil Service Amendment in its relation to the playground directors working exclusively on Sundays.

Miss Randall reported that a six weeks' playground training course for all playground directors is being planned which will commence October 8th. Miss Georgina Fink who was employed as director of Jackson Playground, is now assisting in the organization of the playground training course and will be in charge of practical demonstration work on the individual playgrounds immediately following the course.

The Secretary was asked to inquire of the Public Welfare Committee of the Board of Supervisors the possibility of procuring the necessary funds to send Ralph Hoeflich the highest "Lindy" League winner to the National Miniature Aircraft Tournament in Atlantic City, October 5 - 7, 1928. If this is not possible a request is to be made of the President of the Playground Commission.

The Superintendent was authorized to communicate with the University of California and Stanford University as to the possibility of procuring several playground applicants for directors' positions and to plan a meeting of the Play Committee in the very near future.

The Commission authorized the Superintendent to try out the use of paper towels at Hamilton and North Beach Playgrounds, and to render a report later as to whether or not they prove satisfactory.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, Demands Nos. 24, 25, 26 and 27 amounting to $12,074.54 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern and Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:22 P.M.

Tida B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

Playground Commission

San Francisco; October 3, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Miss Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting when a quorum will be present.

Present: Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger,
George Hearst.

Absent: Senator James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Daniel C. Murphy,
John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of September 19th, 1928 were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Hearst, approved as read, subject to ratification at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Howard Braucher, Secretary of the Playground and Recreation Association of America, expressing the hope that the Playground bond issue will carry on election day. Ordered filed, and the letter to be acknowledged.

A communication was received from John W. Rogers, Clerk of the Playground Committee, Board of Supervisors, enclosing a letter from the Portola District Merchants' Association of 2267 San Bruno Avenue, asking for the erection of a permanent platform at the University Mound Playground. Ordered filed and a letter to be sent explaining the inadvisability of carrying out the request.

A communication was received from Mr. Fred Boeken, Superintendent Municipal Railway suggesting the erection of a high screen on the Potrero Avenue side of the James Rolph Jr. Playground, in order to protect cars and people in the street from flying balls. Mr. Pack was authorized to investigate this request and to bring in an estimate at the next Commission meeting. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply.

Miss Randall submitted Miss Frances E. Ware's letter of resignation. Ordered filed and Miss Randall to reply accepting the resignation with the Commission's deepest regret.

A communication was received from Joseph P. Osterloh, President of the East & West of Castro Street Improvement Club offering the Commission $250.00 upon the completion of the erection of a drinking fountain at 26th and Douglass Streets as designed by Mr. Pack.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Hearst, and carried, Miss Mosgrove is to be consulted regarding the design of the fountain. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply thanking them for their kind offer, and assuring them the fountain will be erected some time in the future.

Mr. Pack presented the plans for the remodeling of the building on the Michaelangelo Playground site. The Commission authorized Mr. Pack to proceed with the work in accord with his plans.

Demands Nos. 28, 29, 30, 31 amounting to $37,775.16 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger and Mr. Hearst.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 3:30 P.M.

Celia B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 17, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. George Hearst.

Absent: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting held on October 3rd, were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. S. Waldo Coleman, Chairman Recreation Council, announcing their unanimous endorsement of the Playground Bond Issue and enclosing their endorsement resolution. Resolution ordered filed and the Secretary to reply.

The Secretary reported that the playground children successfully participated in the folk dance program at the Columbus Day Celebration at Aquatic Park, Sunday, October 16th, 1928.

The Secretary further reported that the Playground Commission's exhibit will be held in the Civic Auditorium from October 20th to October 27th inclusive, in connection with the Annual California Food and Household Exposition.

It was further reported that the Playground Department's annual pageant will be held on November 2nd, 1928 at 8 P.M. in the Civic Auditorium and will be known as the Fall Festival.

Miss Randall reported that the playground located at 26th and Douglass Streets will be dedicated on Sunday, October 27th at 2 P.M. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, and unanimously carried, this ground will be known as the Douglass Playground.

After discussing a building for the Ocean View Playground, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, and unanimously carried, it was decided that a building be planned which will cost approximately $30,000.

Mr. Pack presented the proposed plan drawn by Gardner A. Dailey for the University Mound Playground which includes an enclosed swimming pool adjoining the large community building. The concensus of opinion was to attempt to modify the plans in order to materially reduce the estimated cost of construction, i.e., $70,000 for the building and $30,000 for the enclosed swimming pool. Mr. Pack was asked to submit estimates for both the Ocean View and University Mound buildings.

Mrs. Hubbard addressed the Commission with regard to the status of the Playground Bond Issue.

The Commission decided to hold a Special Meeting on October 24th at 2 P.M. for the purpose of especially taking up the question of the Ocean View and University Mound buildings.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, and unanimously carried, it was decided that a new backstop with side wing on the Potrero Avenue side be erected on the James Rolph Jr. Playground, which will cost approximately $700.00. This will reduce the breakage of windows caused from flying baseballs.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, and unanimously carried, demands Nos. 32, 33, and 34 amounting to $12,783.76 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern and Mr. Hearst.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:10 P.M.

E. B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 24, 1928.

S P E C I A L
M E E T I N G

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M. with Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. George Hearst.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy,
Senator James D. Phelan.

M I N U T E S

Mr. Pack presented an estimate of $46,800 for the construction of the building at the Portola Playground.

After a general discussion, a motion was made by Miss Mosgrove and seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, that the Commission proceed with the original plan for a community house at Portola Playground to cost approximately $70,000.

The Secretary was asked to inquire of the City Attorney if the Playground Commission may hire architects to prepare plans for buildings to be erected upon playgrounds under their jurisdiction.

Mr. Pack presented an estimate of $20,000 for the construction of a building on the Ocean View Playground. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance until further thought has been given to it.

Bids were received for the plumbing work at the Michaelangelo Playground as follows:

	Bid	Certified Check
John J. Carmody	$878.	$90.
A. Lattich	1350.	150.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, and unanimously carried, the work was awarded to the low bidder, i.e., John J. Carmody in the sum of $878. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Hearst and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:55 P.M.

Celia B. Herring
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

San Francisco; November 7, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Mr. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. George Hearst,
Senator James D. Phelan,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 17th, and the special meeting of October 24th were approved as read, subject to ratification at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the City Attorney notifying the Playground Commission of their power to employ architects to prepare plans for buildings to be erected on playgrounds under their jurisdiction. Letter ordered filed.

A resolution was received from the Northern California Recreation Conference, representing 11 cities and including 37 delegates, endorsing the playground bond issue. Resolution ordered filed.

A petition was received from residents in the Roosevelt Way District asking the Playground Commission to consider the establishment of a playground in their locality. Ordered filed and the Secretary to acknowledge its receipt.

The Superintendent reported the need for developing a ball field in the Richmond District on school property facing on 18th and 19th Avenues between Clement and California Streets. The Commission asked that an estimate of the cost of this development be presented at the next meeting.

The Commission decided to postpone consideration of plans for the erection of a building on the Portola Playground. Miss Mosgrove was asked to inquire from Gardner A. Dailey the amount due him for architectural drafting on the Portola Building plans. The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Phillips to complete any outstanding negotiations for purchase of property in the Ocean View and Potrero Hill sites.

Demands Nos. 8, 36 and 37 amounting to $11,572.75 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as presented. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:30 P.M.

Constant J. Auger

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

San Francisco, November 21, 1928.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 3:25 P.M. with Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. John Mclaren,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. George Hearst.

Absent: Senator James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern (On Leave)
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, the minutes of the two minority meetings of October 17th and 24th were unanimously approved.

The minutes of the meeting held on November 7th were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, unanimously approved as read.

The Superintendent reported that the Girls' Leaders' Training Course for Directors proved to be extremely successful. The Commission authorized Miss Randall to send a letter of thanks to each of the people who gave instruction during this course, i.e., Miss Marjorie Rowe, Director of Activities, Recreation House, Miss Rose Miller, Director Portola Community Center, Mr. J. F. Henderson, Director of Physical Education, Y. M. C. A., and Mr. Frank Bell, Teacher at State Teachers' College.

The Superintendent was authorized to formulate an examination for player and directors, eligible to the register used by the Public Library Board. The examination will be held at intervals, according to the Commission's direction.

Miss Randall reported that permission to operate on an experimental and no account basis a kiddie park in the San Francisco Playground, and which will be of great value to the Junior Department.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Superintendent was instructed to [illegible] for the installation of [illegible] Avenue, between Fulton and Hayes Streets.

Vida B. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 9, 1922.

M E E T I N G

The Annual Meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at 2:15 P.M. at the call of the President, James T. Phelan.

Present: James T. Phelan,
Miss Alice Hoogasve,
Mr. John Polard,
Mr. Constant J. Aaser.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Charles Sharpe,
Mr. David C. Dunlap.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of November 23d, 1921, were, on motion of Mr. Aaser, seconded by Miss Hoogasve, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the City Attorney suggesting that the department reconstruct a sidewalk [illegible] Playground to prevent the flooding of private property and the flooding of street car tracks. [illegible] is principally a matter of [illegible] the Board of Public Works.

[illegible] Johnson Association [illegible] sidewalks at or in the vicinity of [illegible]

[illegible] Commissioner Aaser, the communication [illegible] Board of Supervisors [illegible] from the Board of Education. [illegible]

[illegible] Playground [illegible] Child [illegible] Playground, will be [illegible]

[illegible]

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San Francisco,

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided to hold an examination for playground directors on January 28th, and to make a public announcement to that effect.

The Camp Committee decided to hold a meeting in the ... near future to make preparations for the 1929 camp season.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission unanimously decided to call for bids for heating the field houses at Moscone, Funston, Marina Park, McLaren Park and Argonne Playgrounds. Mr. Lange was authorized to prepare specifications for this work.

The Commission decided to purchase plants and trees needed for the ... playgrounds from ... Park Commission at cost.

The Commission agreed to confer for ... with the Mayor in regard to ... playgrounds, Wednesday, May 8th, 1929.

The Commission decided to ... this city in the Health ... property been ... City Hall Annex.

On motion of Mr. ..., seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission ... and ... Board of Education properties ... Bridge Terminal ... playground, ... and purposes.

On motion of Mr. ..., seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, the Commission ... and ... playgrounds.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the following:

Vida B. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 23, 1929.

M E E T I N G

A meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at 2:15 P.M., with Senator James D. Phelan presiding.

Present: Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger,
George Hearst,
Senator James D. Phelan.

Absent: John McLaren,
Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 9, 1929, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. Elsa S. Leon of 44 Retiro Way, the Secretary of the Marina District Improvement Association, thanking the Commission for the privilege of holding their monthly meetings in the Funston Field House. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Douglass Kline of 14 Laidley Street, the Secretary of the Twenty-ninth and Castro District Improvement Club asking that a representative from the Commission attend one of their meetings, with regard to establishing a playground in the quarry site at 30th Street, between Castro and Diamond Streets. Letter ordered filed and Miss Randall asked to get in touch with this club.

Miss Randall reported that the examination for playground directors will be held on Monday, January 28th, 1929, It will include a written test, oral interview and practical demonstration.

The Camp Committee decided to hold their next meeting on Wednesday, January 30th at 10 A.M.

Miss Randall was authorized by the Commission, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst, and unanimously carried, to make definite arrangements with Gardner A. Dailey regarding employing him to draw the plans for the Portola Field House.

Mr. Pack reported that the cost for lighting the two swimming pools is approximately $353.00. However, if the Pacific Gas and Electric Company runs their service into the buildings, the cost will be decreased approximately $90.00. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Hearst, a resolution for the purchase of land in the Potrero Hill Playground in the sum of $300.00, favor of Zeffiro and Leonie Milani was unanimously passed. Ayes: Mr. Phelan, Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Hearst.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, demands Nos.54, 55, 56, 57 amounting to $7,591.75, were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. Phelan, Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Hearst.

Mr. Auger, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented a check to the Commission in the sum of $87.04 received from Angelo J. Rossi, Treasurer of the Playground Bond Campaign. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided to deposit this amount in the Bank of Italy under the name "Playground Commission Bond Issue Fund", and to use it for a future playground bond issue or for other purposes related to the work of the Commission.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:15 P.M.

Vida B. Young

SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

Playground Commission

San Francisco; January 30, 1929. (over)

C A M P M E E T I N G

A meeting of the Camp Committee was held this day at the hour of 10:15 A.M. with Miss Mosgrove, the Chairman, presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,

Miss Josephine Randall,
Mr. Norman Center,
Mr. Homer B. Pack,
Miss Veda B. Young.

TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Center presented tentative rates and schedules from the California Transit Company, the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific Railway Companies.

It was decided that movements from San Francisco be held on Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays of each week. A further report will be rendered in the future.

REVOLVING FUND AND BOOKKEEPING PROCEDURE

Mr. L. A. Bossana, called upon the Commission, as a representative of the City Auditor, and offered his services on his regular monetary basis in setting up the mechanics for the necessary revolving fund and bookkeeping procedure for the San Francisco Municipal Camp. The matter will be presented to the Commission at their next meeting.

RATES

The following will be the rates for those availing themselves of camp this season.

Adults $2.00 a day Transportation additional

Children
12 and 13 yrs. $1.25 a day

Children
2 through 11 yrs. $1.00 a day.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 12 M.

Veda B Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco; February 20, 1929.

CAMP COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Camp Committee was held this day at the hour of [illegible] P.M. with Miss Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

There was a general discussion of camp matters. It was the consensus of opinion that the wording of the pamphlets and other necessary printing be done immediately so insure the finished work at the proper time.

The committee authorized the purchase of a meat grinder.

Miss Mosgrove reported she attended the Grand Jury meeting when the Playground Department was called before them, and they stated our camp records were very satisfactorily, but advised our having a revolving fund and also depositing the moneys received for camp in the City Treasury daily.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 3 P.M.

Edna B Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco; February 6, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with James D. Phelan presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger,
James D. Phelan.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
John McLaren,
Daniel C. Murphy,
George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 23rd, were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Sherman, Clay and Company regarding the condition of the piano at Funston Playground. The Secretary was authorized to inquire if the piano can be repaired by William Statham of 22 Hill Street, and if not to secure prices for the purchase of a new one through the Bureau of Supplies.

A communication was received from Gardner A. Dailey stating the services to be performed as Architect of the Portola Field House, and mentioning the fee for this service. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply asking that Mr. Dailey make the necessary drawings and specifications and state the fee for this phase of the work.

Miss Mandell reported that 42 applicants took the examination for playground directors on January 26th, and the eligible list has been established.

The Superintendent further reported that Miss Adele Byrne is resigning from Excelsior Playground, effective on March 15, 1929, and is requesting a leave of absence for several months. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Commission accepted her resignation with regret, and granted her an indefinite leave of absence from the department, with the provision that she must await her chance to be reinstated when she is ready to return to playground work.

Miss Mandell also reported about the illness of Miss Stella Harris, the director at Funston Playground. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried she is to be granted an indefinite leave of absence without compensation to become effective February 7, 1929.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the Commission decided to develop the Bay View Playground Site as an industrial field, and to expend approximately $8,000 on this development which will involve the following expense:

1.-	Erection of building to include office, shower and locker facilities	$5,450.
2.-	Asphalt tennis courts and fence	1,898.
3.-	Trees, shrubs and labor of planting	400.
4.-	Benches	250.
5.-	Pipe	210.
6.-	Horseshoe field and equipment	50.
		$8,258.

The Chairman offered Mr. John Mooney the opportunity of becoming director at the Bay View Industrial Playground at the rate of $150.00 per month. He is to let the Commission know his decision as soon as possible.

The Superintendent also reported that the playground space at the Longfellow Schoolyard was been reduced due to erection of buildings in the yard. It has become necessary to temporarily use property belonging to the Odd Fellows. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Commission decided to write to the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., 16-7th Street regarding temporary use of their property together with the privilege of erecting basketball backstops.

The Commission authorized Miss Mosgrove to act as a Committee of one in arranging a program for the opening of the Michelangelo Community Center and Playground in March.

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On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, minutes Nos. 2 and 3 amounting to [illegible] were approved and ordered filed. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Mr. Phelan and Miss Mosgrove.

The meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:00 P.M.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 20, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mr. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave)
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. George Hearst,
Senator James D. Phelan,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of February 6th, were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Gardner A. Dailey stating the fee for drawing plans and specifications for the Portola Field House will be 3%. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply authorizing Mr. Dailey to commence immediately working on the plans.

A communication was received from J. J. Calish of the Sunset Parkside Club asking the Playground Commission to establish a playground in the school lot located between 24th and 25th Avenues, Irving and Judah Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Superintendent to investigate this request.

A communication was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk, Board of Supervisors, asking for the Playground Commission's recommendation on the possible transfer of Holly Park from the Park Commission to this department. The Commission decided to visit the site before taking any action. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from C. E. Healy, Assistant to City Engineer, requesting the Commission to construct concrete gutters at the West Portal Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to notify the Board of Public Works we will proceed with the work, if Mr. Pack deems it necessary.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation including Mrs. Mordecai, Mr. McShane and Mr. P. Kane, representing the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club called to see the Commission and requested the erection of bleachers on the Funston Playground. The Commission decided to have Mr. Pack investigate this request and report back at the next Commission Meeting.

Miss Randall reported that the purchase of the Tillman property adjacent to Spring Valley Playground may be brought to court again. If that is the case she has been authorized to see Mr. McDonald of the City Attorney's Office and arrange for several expert real estate witnesses.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Commission authorized the purchase of a new piano for Funston Playground.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Commission also authorized the purchase of a new 1½ ton Ford Truck for use in San Francisco and at the camp.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried the Commission authorized the establishment of a revolving fund of $5000 for this department, to become effective for the 1929 season, as suggested by the City Auditor and City Attorney, for the operation of the summer camp at Mather.

The Secretary reported that the Annual Boys' Basketball Tournament has been progressing very satisfactorily and championships have been won in three divisions. Margaret S. Hayward Playground won in the 85# Division, Spring Valley Playground in the 95# and Chinese Playground in the 110# Division.

Miss Randall gave a detailed report on the recent examination held for playground directors. Upon the receipt of additional information regarding educational qualifications, the Commission decided to place Allan Sullivan and Russell Thomas on the eligible list.

The Superintendent reported regarding the case of a child who was kidnapped in the vicinity of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission recommends that the Secretary communicate with the Police Department requesting that all candy and popcorn venders be instructed not to park in front of playgrounds. The Commission further recommends that the Police Department as an additional means of making the playgrounds safer for children be requested to place an able bodied policeman at each of the three playgrounds adjacent to parks and to have the officers watch the adjoining streets and parks as well. The Three playground are Margaret S. Hayward, Southside and Hamilton.

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On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Commission authorized the covering of all playground fences by the planting of vines and shrubs, in order to protect the children from undesirable onlookers.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Mooney has accepted the position of director at the Bay View industrial playground site at the rate of $150.00 per month. Work on this site has been commenced.

A request was received from the Marina Valley Improvement Club asking this Commission to request the Board of Education to allow this department to use the land adjoining Funston Playground as additional playground area. The matter will be investigated by the Commission before a decision is made.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Commission authorized the extension of the James Rolph Jr. Playground fence along Potrero Avenue which work will cost approximately $115.00.

On the recommendation of Miss Randell, the Commission passed a motion which was made by Miss Mosgrove and seconded by Mr. Auger, granting Miss Veda B. Young a month's vacation with pay to become effective April 8th for the purpose of visiting playground and recreation departments throughout the country.

A resolution for the purchase of property in the Potrero Hill Playground site in favor of Christian and Mielaine Snow in the sum of $2,000 was unanimously approved for payment. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger.

Bills and current expenses on Demands Nos. 60, 61 and 62 amounting to $7,907.40 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:15 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 6, 1929.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 4:15 P.M. with Mr. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (On leave),
Senator James D. Phelan,
George Hearst,
John McLaren,
Daniel C. Murphy.

MINUTES

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the minutes of the meeting of February 20th, 1929, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two of the "General Orders" issued by the Chief of Police were received indicating that the Police Department is cooperating with us in making the playgrounds safer for children. Ordered filed and the Secretary to thank the Police Department for its cooperation.

A letter was received from Henry Newburgh of 593 Market Street stating the Bay City Lodge, No. 71 of the I. O. O. F. will gladly permit the Play round Commission to use their property adjoining Longfellow Schoolyard as additional play area, until further notice. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Secretary was authorized to inform Mr. Newburgh that the Commission accepts with appreciation, the use of the land as specified in the letter.

The Secretary reported the Playground Department over subscribed its 1929 Community Chest quota. She further reported the boys and girls basketball championships were won by Margaret H. Hayward Playground.

Mr. Pack called the Commission's attention to the opportunity of procuring "fill" for the St. Mary's Playground site at this time, which will cost the department approximately $1.00 C.Y. Mr. M. M. O'Shaughnessy, City Engineer, also recommended that the Commission take advantage of this opportunity.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission authorized Mr. Pack to advertise for bids for this work.

A resolution for the purchase of land on Potrero Hill in the sum of $350.00 in favor of Wm. Carr Greene was, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as presented. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger.

The Superintendent was authorized to inquire from the Chairman of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee the decision of the Park Commission with relative to Holly Park.

Mr. Pack was asked to investigate the extent to which bleachers are used on the playgrounds, and also be present an estimate of the cost of bleachers for Funston Playground.

Gardner A. Dailey's preliminary plans for the Portola Field house were presented. The Commission asked Miss Randell and Mr. Pack to go over the plans in detail, and to present them to the Commission at a later date for approval.

The Commission decided to leave the playing of the Bay View Playground to the discretion of Mr. John Coleman and Mr. John Urquhart.

The Superintendent reported that it was the opinion of Mr. Harvey, Deputy Superintendent, Board of Supervisors, that this Commission may use the school property adjoining their grounds to Fillmore and Bay Streets until such time as the school department requires it. The Commission authorized the Superintendent to ascertain if Webster and Francisco Streets can be closed. If so, Mr. Pack was asked to secure an estimate for improving the property.

The Superintendent reported a request had been received for the Playground Commission to take over the supervision of the school lot and building located on 24th, 25th, Irving and Judah Streets which is under the joint control of the Board of Education and Park Commission, and that she was to meet with the parties concerned the following day. She was asked to report her findings to the Commission at the next meeting.

The Commission decided to hold the dedication of the Michaelangelo Community Building some evening in April at which time Mayor Rolph can be present.

The Commission authorized the Secretary to ask Mr. A. A. Poisson, Public Accountant, to be present at the next meeting of the Playground Commission with regard to the camp accounts.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Bills and current expenses on demands Nos. 62, 64, 65, 66 and 67, amounting to $3,466.66, were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as presented. Ayes: Alicia Mosgrove, Constant Auger.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:10 P.M.

Eda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 20, 1929.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 P.M., with Senator James D. Phelan presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
James D. Phelan,
John McLaren.

ABSENT: Constant J. Auger,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern, (on leave)
George Hearst,
Daniel C. Murphy.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 6th were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Phelan, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Purchaser of Supplies regarding the rejection of bids on trees and shrubs requisitioned, by this department. Letter ordered filed, and Mr. Phelan dictated the reply.

A letter was received from Frank Fisher, Secretary, Northern Federation Civic Organizations, offering a suggestion for lessening the danger of kidnapping of children.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Phelan, and carried, the Commission decided that hereafter no children under school age are to be permitted on the playgrounds unattended.

A communication was received from Mr. William J. Osterloh reminding the Commission of the offer of the East and West of Castro Street Improvement Club to present $250.00 toward the installation of a drinking fountain at Douglass Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that Miss Mosgrove will present a report to them before their next meeting.

Mr. L. A. Bossana called to see the Commission regarding the installation of a system for our camp accounts. The Commission awarded the work to Mr. Bossana with the understanding that not only is the cost to be as nominal as possible, but the bill for this work is to be approved by them.

A resolution for the purchase of land on Potrero Hill in favor of Robert and Sarah McGrath, in the sum of $3500 was approved. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Phelan.

Miss Mosgrove was authorized to see Mr. McDonald, City Attorney's Office regarding expert witnesses for the Tillman Estate case which comes up April 19, 1929.

Mr. Pack reported all bids for the "fill" for St. Mary's Park have been rejected, and that new bids have been advertised for and will be received March 26, 1929.

Mr. Pack further reported that the cost of developing the playground adjoining the Michaelangelo Building will be approximately $4,690.00. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Phelan, and carried, the work was authorized.

The Commission authorized the Secretary to write the Board of Education and find out how long the Playground Commission may have the use of the school lands adjoining Funston Playground, providing the necessary permission is received from them.

The Secretary reported the 2nd Annual Kite Tournament will be held at Douglass Playground, Saturday, March 23rd, at 1:30 P.M., and the playground movie reels will be shown, and a dramatic entertainment provided for the playground children at Funston Playground, March 27th. She also reported that a model aviation exhibition and contest will be held on Saturday, March 30th, at Funston Playground.

Miss Randall reported that she had seen the City Attorney regarding the joint use of the building on 24th, 25th, Irving and Judah Streets, which is owned by the Citizen's Committee for Boy Scouts in that neighborhood. He recommended that if the Commission deems it advisable to cooperate with this group for joint supervision, that a definite agreement be drawn indicating the length of time the property would be available and the expenditure necessary. The Commission decided that in view of the complicated situation they would not supervise this property.

Miss Randall reported that two playground directors have been let out from the Department, Mr. Walton Gately from Irving M. Scott Schoolyard Playground, and Mr. Robert McGibben, from Andrew Jackson Schoolyard Playground, due to absence from their grounds without having notified the office.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Demands Nos. 68 and 69, amounting to $5,874.05, were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Phelan, approved as presented. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:34 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 3, 1929.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Senator James D. Phelan presiding.

PRESENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger,
James D. Phelan,
John McLaren.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
George Hearst,
Daniel C. Murphy.

MINUTES

The minutes of the minority meetings of January 23rd, February 6th, February 20th and March 6th, were unanimously approved.

The minutes of the meeting of March 20th, 1929, were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Board of Education granting the Playground Commission the use of the school property adjoining Funston Playground until such time as the Education Department will require the property for school purposes.

The Commission requested that an investigation be made of the proposal for sidewalks along this property, and if there is no expense involved by the Playground Department in regard to the sidewalks the Commission authorized the Secretary to accept with appreciation from the Board of Education the use of the ground.

A communication was received from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association inquiring about their request for bleachers for Funston Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission is investigating the matter further before making a final decision.

A communication was received from William J. Flynn, Secretary, Sunset Progressive Club, suggesting the school lot bounded by 30th and 31st Avenues, Irving and Judah Streets, be maintained as a playground under the Playground Commission's jurisdiction. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Commission has instructed the Superintendent to investigate the possibility of maintaining this property for playground purposes.

A letter was received from I. Kawashima, Secretary of the Japanese Association of San Francisco thanking the Commission for having established a schoolyard playground at the Raphael Weill School. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from George R. Meyerderks, Secretary of the Park-Presidio Improvement Association, suggesting that the Commission provide more playgrounds for their district by improving vacant city property. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission hopes to develop two school sites for playground purposes next year; one, the old Rochambeau school site and one, between 30th, 31st Avenues and Clement and California Streets.

A letter addressed to Mr. Phelan, was received from the Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association asking the Commission to include in next year's budget an amount sufficient to purchase one block, for playground purposes, in the district from Army to 30th Streets, and from Mission to Douglass Streets. Mr. Phelan's reply to the letter indicated the inability of the Commission to take any action this coming year because of installments due during the year on property now being purchased for playgrounds. Letters ordered filed, and the Superintendent to reply.

Miss Mosgrove reported that she has seen Mr. McDonald of the City Attorney's Office regarding the securing of several expert witnesses for the Tillman Estate Case which comes to trial April 15th, 1929.

Miss Mosgrove also presented the design for the drinking fountain at Douglass Playground. She further reported that plans are under way for the signs for the San Francisco Playgrounds. These plans have the Commission's approval.

Miss Randall reported that Mrs. Zimmerman of the Parent Teachers' Association has requested the Playground Commission to send an official report to the Board of Supervisors urging that Lafayette Square be kept for park and play purposes. The Commission, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved the sending of a letter to Mrs. Zimmerman expressing their entire sympathy in preserving Lafayette Square for park purposes and offering their encouragement in having a supervised playground established in the square some time in the future.

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Miss Randall brought to the Commission's attention the great need for more baseball diamonds in San Francisco. She further pointed out the danger to children using Jackson Playground while regulation baseball games for adult teams are in progress, and the fact that neighborhood boys are deprived of playing ball on their own field. She was authorized to inquire from the Spreckles Company the possibility of using their baseball field in place of the Jackson Playground diamond for league bookings. Mr. McLaren offered the suggestion that the Commission purchase recreation park to help relieve the situation.

Miss Randall was authorized to inform the nurse of Paulding Edwards, a mental case, that he is no longer to be permitted to attend the Argonne Playground, due to the fact that he frightens the younger children.

Mr. Dailey's preliminary Portola Field House plans were approved.

The Superintendent reported that 2, 175 children are entered in the Eleventh Annual Tennis Tournament.

The Superintendent also reported that the Western Division Recreation Conference will be held at the Hotel Claremont, April 4th, 5th and 6th.

The Playground Commission approved the 1929-1930 Budget for the department which is as follows:

Personnel	$259,104.00
Non-Personnel	
Supplies	127,793.00
Equipment	4,578.00
Land Purchases	108,525.00
Buildings, structures, improvements.	80,000.00
Total Budget -	$580,000.00

Demands Nos. 71, 72 and 73 amounting to $5,469.16, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as presented: Ayes: Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:45 P.M.

Vida D. Young
SECRETARY

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Playground Commission

San Francisco; May 1, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2:15 P.M.

PRESENT: Constant J. Auger,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
John McLaren.

ABSENT: James D. Phelan, (On Leave)
Mrs. Sigmund Stern, (On Leave)
George Hearst,
Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read subject to ratification at the next meeting when there will be a quorum present.

As this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting when there is a quorum present.

A communication was received from the Reis Tract and Paul Tract Improvement Club in which they requested that a playground be located on the city property at Cowden, Bowden, Irving and Wilde Streets. Miss Randall reported that she had investigated the site and found that it was part of the John McLaren Park, and therefore under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission. Miss Randall was instructed to so notify the Reis and Paul Tract ImprovementClub.

Miss Randall reported that a Committee of ladies from the West Portal Playground District called on her and requested that a field house be constructed on the West Portal Playground. Miss Randall recommended that the Board of Education be asked for the use of one of the shacks on the school ground adjoining the playground until required by the School Department.

Miss Randall was authorized to communicate with the Board of Education requesting the use of the block bounded by 30th, 31st Avenues and Judah and Irving Streets for playground purposes, as soon as the Improvement Club interested in this district made arrangements for the removal of the sand on the adjoining property.

Demands Nos. 78, 79 and 80 amounting to $6,738.74 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:45 P.M.

Wm. J. McLaren
SECRETARY PRO-TEM

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

San Francisco; May 15, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Constant J. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Constant J. Auger,
Alicia Mosgrove,
John McLaren.

ABSENT: James D. Phelan, (On Leave)
George Hearst,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of May 1, 1929, were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Ingleside Improvement Club requesting the establishment of a playground in their district. Letter ordered filed and the Superintendent to reply that since the Playground Bond Issue did not carry it will not be possible to consider the establishment of a playground in their district this next fiscal year.

A communication was received from the Northern Federation of Civic Organizations asking about development plans for Spring Valley Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent to reply.

A letter was received from Mayor Rolph, Jr., stating, if possible, he will accompany the Commission Wednesday, May 29th, on their inspection tour of the San Francisco Playgrounds. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was also received from Supervisor Franck R. Havenner stating that he will endeavor to accompany the Commission on May 29th if he is in the city. Letter ordered filed.

Mr. Auger presented a letter he had received from Fay Improvement Company regarding the non-payment of work they performed for the Board of Public Works in connection with remedying the flood control near the West Portal Playground. Mr. Pack was authorized to furnish the complete information regarding this matter to Mr. Auger who will reply to the Fay Improvement Company.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Secretary was authorized to write the Engineer's Office authorizing them to start proceedings to close 26th and Army Streets between Douglass and Hoffman Streets.

The Secretary reported,- 1.- That the Annual Boys' Track and Field Meet will be held at Jackson Playground, Saturday, May 18th, at 1:30 P.M. and over seven hundred are entered.

2.- The first "Girls' Penny Pipper Show" ever held by the department is now under way.

3.- All interplayground tennis matches commence Saturday, May 18th.

4.- That her visit to the various recreation departments throughout the United States proved very worth while. A report of the trip will be mailed to each Commissioner.

5.- The Commission is invited to attend the Dramatic Department's programs for May and June including plays and festivals.

The Superintendent was authorized to see the City Attorney regarding the ownership of Webster Street which was recently closed and which is adjacent to Funston Playground.

Mr. McLaren requested the Playground Commission to officially go on record as favoring the establishment of a baseball area in the vicinity of 15th and Valencia Streets. Mr. Pack reported that Recreation Park is under lease to Mr. Charles H. Strub until 1935. The property valuation is approximately $380,000, and without the Valencia Street frontage approximately $280,000.

Another suggested site is the reclaimed land near James Rolph Playground which is owned principally by the Southern Pacific Company. The Commission has asked that Mr. Phillips be requested to inquire about this proposed site.

The Commission has authorized the Superintendent to make a study of the Recreation Section of various City Charters and to present her findings to them for the purpose of drafting the Playground and Recreation section for the proposed new City Charter.

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The Superintendent reported that the National Conference of Social Work will be held in San Francisco from June 28th to July 3rd, 1929. The Commission authorized her to make arrangements for the entertainment of social workers interested in playgrounds and to inquire of Miss Jonson of the Chamber of Commerce regarding the use of automobiles.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and carried, the Commission authorized the purchase of an excellent used mimeograph costing $11.50 from the department revolving fund.

The Commission authorized the Superintendent to make arrangements for the playground directors to go on an official visit to the camp at Mather on Saturday and Sunday, June 15th and 16th.

The Superintendent further reported that to date 77 persons have registered for camp, and that Mr. L. L. Bossems has worked out camp forms costing approximately $31.00. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission approved this expenditure. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the plans for the fountain to be erected at Douglass Playground.

The Camp Manager reported on our best endeavorin to make satisfactory arrangements with the Yosemite Park and Curry Company to handle scenic car trips over camp. The Commission decided to defer the matter unless more satisfactory arrangements can be made.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:40 P.M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 5, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M. with Mr. Auger presiding.

Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
John McLaren,
George Hearst,
Senator James D. Phelan,
Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of May 15th were on motion of Miss Mosgrove seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from David D. Huffman, of the Yosemite Park and Curry Company regarding transportation at Camp Mather. Letter ordered filed, and the Commission decided to refer the matter to Mr. Chester, Camp Manager.

The Secretary reported that the vacation program being planned at this time to include a picnic scheduled for each playground, a boy's baseball tournament, visits to municipal airports, and a girls' swimming meet.

Mr. Pace reported the Douglass Playground fountain has been completed and a sitting dedication will be held in the near future.

Mr. Pelli also reported that the Playground Commission will only be obliged to pay $600.00, which is our proportion of the Balboa Park Stadium Playground, instead of $1000, the original estimate.

Miss Connell reported the Board of Education will inform the department what their decision is with regard to the future use of Webster Street in their department and the Playground Commission.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission decided to spend approximately $1800. to drive a new Sutro Playground water well; to include a pump house.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission decided to [illegible] Playground property which is adjacent to Douglass Playground at the corner of Diamond and Elk Streets, about $700.

The Commission approved the allocation of Deposit Funds as presented by the Superintendent, and will further [illegible] meeting of this Commission [illegible] Playground and [illegible] Field adjoining Funston Playground.

The Superintendent reported that some of the playground directors are asking for an extra day's vacation during their vacation period. The Commission decided it would be best not to extend the present vacation period of two days, but if any emergency arises the Secretary presidents will be consulted through the office.

The Commission decided to have the playground directors and office staff make an official visit to Camp Mather on June 15th and 16th.

Warrants Nos. 80, 81 and 82 amounting to $2,97 [illegible] were received and ordered paid. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Auger.

There being [illegible] business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:30 P.M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 19th, 1929.

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MEETING

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission for this day at 2 P.M., but failed to record a quorum.

Veda B Young

SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 3rd, 1929.

MEETING

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Playground Commission for this day at 2 P.M., but failed to record a quorum.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 17, 1929.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mr. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Constant J. Auger,
Alicia Mosgrove.

ABSENT: James I. Phelan
John McLaren,
Daniel C. Murphy,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
George Hearst.

MINUTES

The minutes of June 5th were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

Mr. Harry B. Allen, who is in charge of the subdividing program adjoining Baker's Beach, called to see the Playground Commission. He was shown a copy of Mr. Hassler's letter to Supervisor Havenner, Chairman Finance Committee, regarding the unsanitary condition of the beach due to the present sewage outlets. The latter further stated that until this condition is remedied the Playground Commission cannot develop this site for playground purposes.

Mr. Allen stated he would agree to anything which is for the general good, and the Chairman directed to let him know when the matter comes up for general discussion.

Mr. J. J. Phillips discussed the value of the Baker's Beach property and made the statement that the cost would undoubtedly run to at least $100,000.00 and that under certain set of appraising, values as high as $175,000 or $150,000 can be obtained.

The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance. Mr. Phillips further reported that the property the Commission wants to purchase adjacent to Douglass Playground will cost approximately $7,000.00. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, Mr. Phillips was authorized to prepare the resolution for condemnation of the property.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Recreation Council, Community Chest, asking for the names of three delegates from the Playground Commission. The Commission decided that Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Hearst and Miss Randall were to be the representatives.

Mr. I. A. Rosasco's bill for professional services in developing a bookkeeping system for the San Francisco Municipal Camp in the sum of $350.00 was approved for payment. Vote: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger.

Miss Randall reported 643 people were registered to date for Camp Lafayette which is an increase of about 88 people over last year.

The Superintendent reports that if the Commission wishes to change the Department's name from Playground Commission to Department of Playground and Recreation, it will be necessary to have a resolution pass the Board of Supervisors providing for a charter amendment. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

The Superintendent also reported that the marine improvement work is lagging owing to the development of new property adjoining Funston Playground. The Chairman was asked by Randall to have Supervisor Anderson assist her in calling a conference of the groups interested in the Ocean Park tennis courts in the property to be developed.

Miss Randall reported Mr. Calish was now contemplating paving the Commission to develop the sandlot site on Ocean, 19th Avenue, Irving and Funston Streets. The Commission will develop it as soon as time permits.

Miss Randall has closed the Presidio Crest Playground temporarily because the vacation school sent door with its attendance of 1400 has practically taken all of the playground children.

She also stated the Richmond sand lot is not developing satisfactorily in attendance since the children do not care to play on the sandy surface.

A report was received from Mr. J. Adams regarding the need for a large baseball area in San Francisco. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission authorized the Secretary to send a letter to the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee urging the city to acquire as soon as possible a large area for baseball diamonds, not only because of the great need, but because property values are constantly increasing.

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On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, Miss Randall was authorized to represent the Playground Commission at the National Playground and Recreation Conference at Louisville, Kentucky, in October, 1929. She was asked to prepare for the Commission an itinerary and estimate of her trip to include visits to eastern playground departments before returning to San Francisco.

Miss Randall stated she was leaving for her two weeks' vacation, Saturday, July 27th, and that the Secretary would be in charge during her absence.

The Commission authorized a letter of thanks to the East and West of Castro Street Improvement Club for their $250.00 donation for the drinking fountain at Douglass Playground.

The Commission also authorized a letter of thanks to the Marina Valley Improvement Club for the set of dishes, punch bowl and glasses which they donated to the Funston Club House.

Mr. Pack presented a report on the disposal of buildings on the Ocean View and Potrero Hill sites. The buildings were sold for $3,795.00
Material on hand 2,160.00
Total Credit 5,955.00
Cost of Wrecking 979.00
Net Credit 4,976.00

All of the form lumber, framing and sheathing used in the Spring Valley Construction program has been drawn from this stock of material.

Mr. Pack was asked to keep the Commission informed regarding matters of this kind in the future.

Mr. Pack reported that the Board of Works is requiring this department to file plans and secure permits for all playground buildings including the field house to be erected at Spring Valley Playground. The City Attorney's office has confirmed the requirement. The work at Spring Valley Playground has therefore been temporarily discontinued. The Commission decided to comply with the regulations.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the name of the playground at 21st and Folsom Streets will hereafter be known as the Folsom Playground.

Mr. Pack presented one of the proposed signs for the Playgrounds which bear the seal of San Francisco on it. The Commission decided to take up the matter with Mr. Mullen before making a decision.

Miss Mosgrove reported that Colonel Brown of the Presidio has given permission for the removal of trees in the front of the Julius Kahn Playground.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 5 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco. August 7, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Senator Phelan presiding.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren,
Senator James D. Phelan.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy,
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the minority meetings of May 1, May 15, and June 5, were unanimously approved.

The minutes of the meeting of July 17, 1929, were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

BAKERS BEACH DISCUSSION

Dr. William C. Hassler and Mr. C. G. Gillespie, Director of the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering, State Department of Public Health, presented the facts regarding the present unsanitary condition of Bakers Beach. A suggestion was offered by Mr. Gillespie to remedy the situation by recommending the installation of a settling tank, or rotary screens, which methods, however, are considered temporary ones by the City Engineer. These methods would, of course, involve less expense than the City Engineer's plan which Mr. O'Shaughnessy considers a permanent solution, and which would involve several millions of dollars.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported that Mr. Allen's price for the property, including 450 foot frontage on Sea Cliff, and 720 feet along the beach would cost approximately $215,000.

The Commission finally unanimously passed the following motion made by Mr. Auger, and seconded by Miss Mosgrove: The Playground Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors purchase, if possible, for future use by the city, that land known as Bakers Beach, and to determine the use of the property when the present unsanitary condition is remedied.

COMMUNICATIONS

Several communications were received commending the Playground Commission on their management and operation of the Municipal Camp at Mather. Letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to send out letters of thanks.

A letter was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan announcing the next meeting of the Finance Committee for Friday, August 9th at which time the Bakers Beach matter will come up for discussion. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Manuel T. Silva of 405 Montgomery Street asking permission to use the property adjoining Funston Playground, for an outdoor golf school. Letter ordered filed and the Superintendent asked to inform Mr. Silva that plans have been made for the development of the property for playground purposes.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, a resolution authorizing the auctioning of the house at 615 Connecticut Street on the Potrero Playground was unanimously passed. The resolution was forwarded to the Honorable Board of Supervisors.

The Secretary reported that the Annual "Lindy" League Miniature Aircraft Tournament will be held in the Civic Auditorium on Friday evening, August 9th, and an interesting program has been arranged. Various groups throughout the city, including the Y. M. C. A., the Jr. Chamber of Commerce, and city and government aviation authorities are cooperating for the success of the indoor and outdoor meets.

The Secretary also reported that the department is holding a ship building and harbor construction program in cooperation with the Jr. Chamber of Commerce's plans for Harbor Day, August 22nd.

The Superintendent reported that the proposed salary standardization schedule for this department had been received from the Civil Service Department and recommended certain changes. Miss Randall was authorized to suggest the following changes: Superintendent from $325 - $500, Secretary, $200 - $300, Superintendent Construction and Maintenance $250 - $400, and Camp Manager $175 - $250.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

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San Francisco, September 4, 1920.

R e g u l a r

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 4:15 P.M., with Mr. Auzer presiding, which this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Alicia Hargrove,
Cortlandt A. Auzer.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Senator James D. Phelan,
Lucian G. Murphy,
George Hewett,
John Sloss.

M i n u t e s

The minutes of August 7, 1920, were, on motion duly seconded, approved by Mr. Auzer, subject to ratification at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

Letter from Wilson

A communication was received from Mr. Wilson, in answer to an application from Miss Barker, Assistant at Louisville to Miss Cole, inviting him to attend the National Recreation Congress at Louisville, Kentucky. Secretary was instructed to write Miss Cole that Commissioner will be pleased to attend Conference on that behalf.

Commissioner reported that the Village Improvement Assn. and Ala Valley and Harbor Association intends to open up Alta Vista Boulevard.

Vida B. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

San Francisco, September 18, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 P.M. with Mr. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Alicia Rosgrove,
Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: James D. Phelan
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
John McLaren,
George Pearce,
Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of September 4, 1929 were, on motion of Miss Rosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Edward Rainey stating the Mayor is pleased to have Miss Randall represent the City of San Francisco at the National Recreation Conference at Louisville. Letter ordered filed.

The Secretary reported a telegram was received announcing that two "Lindy" League winners qualified for participation in the National Amateur Aviation Meet to be held at Louisville, Ky. on Sept. 28. Telegram ordered filed.

The Commission decided to have a playground exhibit at the Annual Food Products Show to be held in the State Auditorium October 16th - 26th, 1929.

On motion of the Secretary, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Commission authorized getting funds [illegible] to cover the expense of Miss Josephine D. Randall's trip to the Recreation Conference in Louisville, Kentucky, in October, and also of the Secretary's trip to several meetings [illegible].

The Commission, recognizing [illegible] approved, subject to [illegible] their policy [illegible] the number of newspapers [illegible] to the [illegible] the number of [illegible] on specific [illegible] This is a trial policy subject to change if the Commission so decides.

The [illegible] reported that a proposal for the purchase of Lupin's Depot by the City as a recreation center [illegible] Valley.

Mr. Phillips [illegible] 9 [illegible] Superintendent [illegible].

The [illegible] to the [illegible] and [illegible] to attend.

The [illegible] to the [illegible] and [illegible] to [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Commissioner [illegible].

The [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Commissioner [illegible].

The [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Commissioner [illegible].

There being no further business [illegible] the meeting was declared adjourned at [illegible].

Ester B. Young

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

Playground Commission

San Francisco; October 2, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Senator Phelan presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission, at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
Senator James D. Phelan,
Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: George Hearst,
John McLaren,
Daniel C. Murphy,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of September 18th were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Convent of the Helpers of the Holy Souls, 204 Haight Street, asking permission to use the Le Conte Schoolyard on the fourth Sunday afternoon of each month, for the benefit of the children attending the neighborhood church. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission does not deem it advisable to supervise play on this ground.

A request was received from Mr. R. M. Hayes of 1412 Baker Street asking permission to sell food on the Portola Playground on Sundays. The Secretary was asked to inform Mr. Hayes of the Commission's policy which prohibits outsiders from selling food on playgrounds.

The Secretary reported that the department is presenting several programs, one at Southside, Saturday, October 5th, another at Aquatic Park for the Columbus Day celebration on October 13th, and a third on October 26th at the Food Products Show.

The Secretary further reported that the playgrounds are having an Open House Day, especially for the benefit of the Parent Teachers' Groups, on October 23rd from 2:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. to acquaint the members with the work and program of the San Francisco Playgrounds.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission approved the following work:

Installation of heating apparatus at North Beach Playground,
to cost approximately $219.00
Installation of Heating apparatus at Ocean View Playground,
to cost approximately $177.00.

Erection of a cable on either side of the baseball backstop at Funston Playground to cost approximately $300.00.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and carried, it was decided that the development of the school site located at 30th, 31st, Irving and Judah Streets, be postponed for approximately two months, and the Secretary was asked to find out when the school building will be erected at 30th, Lawton and Kirkham Streets.

Mr. Center presented a financial statement of Camp Mather showing a successful season, and the Commission expressed their commendation of the splendid manner the Camp Manager and Assistant Manager handled all camp matters this year.

The Commission decided to send Mr. Harman and Mr. Center to Mather to prepare maps of camp which are important to have at this time.

Demands Nos. 25, 26, 27 and 28, amounting to $4,720.77 were, on motion regularly mo ved and carried, approved for payment. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger and Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:25 P.M.

Edna B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

San Francisco; October 16, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:20 P.M., with Mr. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: Daniel C. Murphy,
John McLaren,
George Hearst,
James D. Phelan.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 2nd were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. D. C. Thurman, Secretary, Glen Park Community Club requesting the repair of the windows in the Glen Park pavilion. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the windows will be repaired.

Mr. Pack was authorized to submit an estimate for the cost of rehabilitating the building, and to present the figure at the next Commission meeting.

A letter which was received from Mr. Phelan regarding China Cove, a part of Baker's Beach, was read by the Commission and placed on file for future reference.

A communication was received from Colonel Fred R. Brown, Commanding Officer of the Presidio, regarding permission to remove some of the trees in the Julius Kahn Playground. Letter ordered filed. Mr. Pack reported he has seen both Colonel Brown and Colonel Thompson regarding this matter. Mr. Pack's approximate estimate for removing 52 trees is $888.00. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern and carried, Mr. Pack was authorized at this time to remove only the dead trees whenever our men are available.

A letter was received from Mr. T. Burns of 410 Waller Street requesting the establishment of a playground in the Haight and Fillmore District. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply suggesting the use of the John Muir Schoolyard which is located nearby at Webster and Page Streets.

Mr. Thomas F. Boyle, Mrs. Mordecai and Mr. Patrick Kane representing the neighborhood near Funston Playground again spoke before the Commission requesting the erection of bleachers on the Playground. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Commission authorized Mr. Pack to erect movable bleachers which will accommodate about 500 people, and which will cost approximately $450.00.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried, the Commission went on record opposing the erection of a super-service station at Lombard and Mason Streets and Columbus Avenue, across from the North Beach Playground because of the extreme danger to which the thousands of children using the playground would be subjected. The Secretary was instructed to send a communication to the Fire Committee of the Board of Supervisors to this effect.

The Commission decided that the colors to be used on the playground signs would be dutch blue on a gold background.

The Secretary reported the Board of Education is planning to erect four bungalows by January 1st on the school property at 30th Avenue, Lawton and Kirkham Streets, which will take care of about 157 pupils. This will be the only development of the school property for some time to come. This school site is near the proposed playground development of a school lot located at 30th, 31st Avenues, Irving and Judah Streets, the improvement of which the Commission has decided to hold in abeyance.

The Secretary reported on the success of the playground children's participation in the Columbus Day celebration, and reminded the Commission of the exhibit in the Civic Auditorium, October 19th to 26th inclusive, the program to be presented October 26th and the Fall Festival to be held November 1st.

Mr. Harman reported he is working on the map of our camp properties and plans for Mather as requested by the Commission. He further reported that several men are busily engaged at camp putting shakes on some of the buildings.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, demands Nos. 29, 30, 31 and 32 amounting to $6,381.39 were approved for payment. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:15 P.M.

Edna B. Strong
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco. November 6, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Stern presiding.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren.

ABSENT: Senator James D. Phelan,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 16th were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

The minutes of the minority meetings of August 7th, September 4th, September 18th and October 2nd were unanimously approved.

Supervisor Andriano asked the Commission to consider the request of the Pallone Association for permission to use a portion of the field adjacent to Funston Playground. The Superintendent was asked to see Mr. Gallo of the Gallo Pastry Company, President of the Pallone Association regarding the request.

A communication was received from the Board of Education asking the Commission to transfer certain lands to them. Mr. David Hardy, Deputy Superintendent, was present at the meeting to explain the requests.

With regard to the Balboa Terrace site the concensus of opinion was to have Miss Randall make a study of the school plans when completed and endeavor to work out a reciprocal policy whereby the Playground Commission would transfer some of the playground land to the Board of Education, and have the use of the school buildings or the gymnasium for playground activities both day and night.

Mr. Hardy reported plans are under way for the proposed Junior High School in the block in which the James Lick Playground is situated. Whenever plans are ready Miss Randall will review them to endeavor to work out a plan whereby this department may use the school building and the Board of Education may have the use of our playground area.

Mr. Hardy incidentally pointed out the recent court decision placing the use of land for school purposes as supreme over any other need.

The Commission, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and carried, asked the Secretary to submit the following resolution to the Board of Supervisors:

RESOLVED: that the land lying between the center of Webster Street and Funston Playground, running from Chestnut to Bay Street (which portion of Webster Street was recently closed by an ordinance of the Board of Supervisors, and which is under the control of the Playground Commission) and which is vacant and unused property be transferred by the Board of Supervisors from the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission to the Board of Education as requested by them to be used in conjunction with their future plans for development of the Marina Junior High School.

A communication was received from Muro Schemnert of 2336 Fulton Street, Secretary of the Height-Ashbury Improvement Association, asking the Playground Commission to establish a schoolyard playground at the Dudley Stone School. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Superintendent will visit the school and render a report.

A communication was received from Major Braden announcing the Northern California Recreation Conference which will be held in Richmond, November 20th. Notice ordered filed.

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Miss Mosgrove reported about the political meeting which the Marina District Improvement Association held at the Funston Field House. The Secretary was asked to notify them and also the Glen Park Improvement Club of the Playground Commission's policy which prohibits political or religious activities, or entertainments at which money stakes are involved from being held in the playground buildings.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, Mr. Pack was authorized to build horseshoe lanes in the property adjoining Funston Playground at an approximate cost of $1400.00.

The Superintendent was authorized to permit the large boys to use the basketball court on the John Muir Schoolyard.

The Superintendent was asked to instruct Mr. Dailey to complete the plans for the Portola Field House.

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San Francisco.

Miss Randall submitted a written report of her eastern trip which proved to be very worth while.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, Miss Randall was given full power to dismiss the following playground directors immediately because of failure to observe the rules and regulations of the Playground Commission: Joseph McNamara, Elmer Gastjen, Alrich Dahl and Lorraine Ruth.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, demands Nos. 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37 amounting to $9,626.41 were approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger and Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:35 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 20, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held at 2:15 P.M. with Senator James D. Phelan presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of November 6th were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. B. Krimphoff, Secretary Portola Women's Improvement Club, 2574 San Bruno Avenue, requesting improvements at the Portola Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the plans for the field house are being completed by the architect at this time.

A notice was received from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of a meeting of the Fire Committee of their board relative to the request for the erection of a public garage across the street from the North Beach Playground. Notice ordered filed and the Secretary and Mr. Kimbell were asked to represent the department at the meeting.

A letter was received from Mr. George R. Meyerderks, Secretary Park-Presidio Improvement Association, 574 7th Avenue, offering their services to the Commission in the preservation of China Beach for public use. Communication ordered filed and the Secretary to thank them for the letter and to urge them to continue their interest in the movement.

A communication was received from Mr. Monroe, Secretary, Board of Education together with a letter from Mrs. Walter Meitz of 166 Ellington Avenue, Secretary, Longfellow Parent Teacher Association requesting the city to purchase additional property adjoining the Longfellow School because of the crowded condition of the present schoolyard. Letters ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that this department is not in a position to buy additional property at this time, but nevertheless realizes the need for a larger permanently owned play area.

REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Gardner A. Dailey presented revised plans for the Portola Field House. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the plans were unanimously approved.

A delegation, including Mrs. Backman, Mrs. Gunn, Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Berry, who are interested in the preservation of China Beach for public use, called to see the Commission.

Mr. Clyde Healy, Assistant City Engineer was also present.

The Chairman decided to go over the proposition with Judge Sullivan of the City Planning Commission, and also to investigate the title of the property. He also thanked the committee for their work and urged them to continue their interest in the proposition.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and carried, the Commission decided to hold an examination for applicants for the positions of playground directors on Monday, December 9th, 1929.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission unanimously approved the transfer of land in the Balboa Terrace playground site to the Board of Education as requested in their letter under date of October 19, 1929, with the definite understanding that the Commission will receive in exchange the use of the school buildings, gymnasiums and other facilities in the school property adjoining, for both day and night use. The Superintendent was asked to write to the Board of Education regarding the Commission's decisions. The Secretary was instructed to send a resolution to the Board of Supervisors requesting them to transfer the land from the Playground Commission to the Board of Education.

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San Francisco,

The Superintendent reported that Mrs. Stern and Miss Mosgrove visited the Rochambeau School site at 24th Avenue, between California and Lake Streets, and also the Sunset school lot at 31st Avenue and Judah Street, and recommended the development of the Rochambeau site because the district is built up so solidly. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the report of the committee was accepted. The Superintendent was asked to notify Mr. J. Calish regarding the Commission's decision.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the action of the Superintendent in closing the Glen Park building for evening activities because of its unsafe condition.

Mr. Pack presented an estimate of $25,000 for the rehabilitation of the building. The Commission decided to keep the building in mind for next year's budget.

The Superintendent reported that the Spring Valley Playground was ready to be reopened. The Commission therefore decided to hold an informal reopening on Wednesday, November 27th at 3:30 P.M.

The Superintendent reported that it is not advisable to establish a playground at the Dudley Stone Schoolyard because of the nearness to the park, the way the ground is laid out, and also because this department has no funds for supervising additional grounds at this time.

The Superintendent reported the Margaret S. Hayward Playground has developed into a community center, and the clubs using the building are requesting the enlargement of it for gymnasium purposes. The Commission promises to keep this development in mind for the future.

On motion regularly moved and carried, demands Nos. 38, 39, 40, 41 and 42, amounting to $9,544.00 were approved for payment. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:35 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

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Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 4, 1929.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Mr. Phelan presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. James D. Phelan.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. Daniel C. Murphy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of November 20, 1929, were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Mayor Rolph called to see the Commission to suggest that they name a playground in memory of the late Father Crowley who was President of the Playground Commission for many years, the father of the playground movement in San Francisco and an individual beloved by men, women and children of all denominations. Therefore, on motion regularly moved and carried, and with the verbal confirmation by Mrs. Stern and Mr. Auger, the Southside Playground was renamed the Father Crowley Playground.

Major Braden, special representative of the Western Division, Playground and Recreation Association of America, called to see the Commission, and to congratulate them on the splendid progress they have made during the past two years. He also told about the gifts given to the various recreation units in the western territory recently, and urged cities to establish overnight hiking camps. He further mentioned that San Francisco spends 5% of the total assessed value of taxable property for public recreation and the arts.

The Commission decided, on motion regularly moved and carried, and with the verbal confirmation by Mrs. Stern and Mr. Auger, to honor Miss Helen Wills, the world tennis champion, by renaming the Spring Valley Playground the Helen Wills Playground.

The Secretary was instructed to send a letter to Helen Wills thanking her for having participated in the reopening program at Spring Valley Playground which now bears her name.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors asking if this department will pay for putting in the sidewalk in front of the West Portal Playground. The Chairman asked that the procedure followed by other city departments be investigated, and suggested this department should not pay for the work. The letter is to be answered when complete information is received.

A letter was received from Mr. Sam M. Markowitz, Secretary of the Geary Street Merchants' Association assuring the Commission they are willing to cooperate in the preservation of China Beach for recreational purposes. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to thank them for their continued interest. Mr. Phelan stated he is securing additional information regarding China Beach.

A communication was received from Mr. A. Kelly, Secretary, Army Street District Promotion Association asking this department to consider the installation of a sidewalk on the Hampshire Street side of the James Rolph Jr. Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply suggesting that they take up their request with the Streets Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

A letter was received from Mr. H. W. Nelle, Executive Secretary, Garage and Property Owners' Association expressing their objection to the erection of a garage at Columbus Avenue, Bombard and Mason Streets, opposite the North Beach Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission has withdrawn their objection to the garage provided all entrances and exits be confined to the Columbus Avenue side of the building.

Mr. Phelan suggested that the Secretary see the City Attorney regarding certain property which this department may be given permission to use at Fort Mason for recreation purposes. The Chairman stated he will see General Hines regarding the matter also.

Miss Randall announced that 32 applicants have registered to take the Playground Director's examination on December 9th, 1929.

The Commission decided to postpone their next meeting until January, 1930.

Demands Nos. 43, 44, 45, 46 and 47 amounting to $11,387.54 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved for payment. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:10 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 8, 1930.

M E E T I N G

A meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M. with Mrs. Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Stern,
Miss Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant Auger,

ABSENT: Mr. George Hearst
Mr. Daniel Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. James D. Phelan.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the December 4th, 1929 meeting were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Mr. Gardner A. Dailey presented and explained several of his detail plans of the Portola Field House. Complete plans will be ready in the near future.

In discussing the development of the Rochambeau School lot the question of a suitable field house was considered. Mr. Dailey volunteered to submit a rough sketch of a building suitable for this location.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Helen Wills expressing her appreciation to the Playground Commission for having named a playground in her honor, and stating she will always take the keenest interest in the playground. Letter ordered filed

A communication was received from the Ingleside Improvement Club asking for a hearing before the Playground Commission relative to the establishment of a playground in their neighborhood. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent to reply that no encouragement for the establishment of a playground can be given at this time.

A communication was received from Mr. J. A. Torassa offering for sale a piece of property adjoining the Michaelangelo Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Commission does not intend to enlarge the Michaelangelo Playground especially since it is Board of Education property.

A letter was received from Superintendent Joseph M. Gwinn stating whenever the Balboa High School gymnasium is opened he will gladly consider the Commission's request for its use in the evening.

A communication was received from Mr. Fixit of the San Francisco News complaining about the vacant playground sand lot on 18th Avenue. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission decided to investigate the possibility of laying out a battery of asphalt tennis courts on this area and the playground engineer was asked to submit an estimate at the next meeting. Letter ordered filed.

A copy of Major Braden's report to the National Playground Association together with a letter from Mayor Rolph to Joseph Lee was presented to the Commission. Report ordered filed. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. H. C. Rothwell, Chairman Haight and Ashbury Improvement Association making a special request that in next year's budget provision be made for the supervision of play in the Dudley Stone Schoolyard. The Commission decided to supervise the schoolyard on a temporary basis commencing with the next fiscal year. Letter ordered filed.

The Commission decided to postpone the election of officers and the selection of committees for the year 1930 until the next meeting when a quorum will be present.

Miss Randall reported that 32 applicants, 21 men, 11 women took the playground examination held on December 9, 1929, and 20 passed, i.e., 11 men, 9 women. 10 have been given positions, i.e., 6 men, 4 women.

With regard to playground signs, the Commission asked to have Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Phelan decide the type to be designed.

The Commission decided to have Mr. Phillips inquire the value of the improved property adjoining the West Portal Playground owned by Mrs. Stewart Williams of 210 Claremont Boulevard, with a view to the possibility of using it for an extension to the playground.

The Superintendent reported plans are well under way for the publication of an annual report and a minimum of 500 copies will be printed.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Mr. Pack reported that the blasting work has been progressing at the Douglass Playground. He was authorized to expend approximately $300 to remove a large rock projection on the playground proper.

Demands Nos. 53, 54, 55, 56 and 57 amounting to $5,478.11, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as presented.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:10 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 22, 1930.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn,
Mr. George Hearst.

ABSENT: Mr. James D. Phelan.

MINUTES

The minutes of January 8th were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

The minutes of the minority meetings of November 6th, November 20th and December 4th were unanimously approved on a motion regularly moved and carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Alexander C. Roberts, President State Teachers College offering the department, on a long term lease, the use of State Board of Education property at 555 Chestnut Street.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Hearst, and carried, Mr. Pack was authorized to prepare an estimate of the cost of leveling off the area, installing apparatus, and generally improving the property.

A letter was received from Mrs. Mordecai, Secretary Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association thanking the Commission for having installed bleachers at the Funston Playground. Letter ordered filed.

The next order of business was the election of President and Vice-President respectively, of the Playground Commission for 1930.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mr. James D. Phelan was unanimously re-elected President.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Sigmund Stern was unanimously re-elected Vice-President.

The following Committees were unanimously selected:

FINANCE	Mr. Auger, Mr. Hearst, Mr. Coburn.
PLAY	Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger.
CAMP	Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Hearst
GROUNDS	Mr. McLaren, Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove.

REPRESENTATIVES

Two representatives, Mrs. M. W. Langevin and Mrs. Brown from the West Portal District presented a petition requesting the erection of a small building on the West Portal Playground. Petition ordered filed, and the Committee to be notified that the Commission has the matter under investigation.

REPORTS

The Superintendent reported about the danger existing at the swimming pool since it is necessary to keep the water in the pools in accordance with the Fire Department's regulations. The Superintendent was asked to see the City Attorney regarding the matter. The Playground Commission and Fire Commission will endeavor to work out a cooperative plan whereby the danger may be obviated.

The Superintendent presented a request for the establishment of a football field at San Bruno Avenue, Alemany Boulevard, Crescent and Putnam Streets. The matter was referred to the Chairman of the Grounds Committee for investigation.

Mr. Pack reported that a very successful outdoor electric light is being manufactured by Crouse-Hinds Company, Sheldon Building, which has already been tested at Glen Park Playground. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove the Commission unanimously decided to install the new system of lighting at the North Beach Playground at a cost not to exceed $500.00.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Mr. Pack reported that the cost of paving the entire school lot on 18th Avenue between California and Clement Streets, and installing five tennis courts, landscaping and fencing will be approximately $~~24~~14,000. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance and keep it in mind when next year's budget is being planned.

The very complete report of the San Francisco Municipal Camp prepared by Mr. Harman and Mr. Center, was presented to the Commission. The Camp Committee is making a study of it at the present time.

Mr. Gardner A. Dailey presented a sketch of a building for the Rochambeau School site, which will cost approximately $7500 to construct. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, Mr. Dailey was authorized to prepare detail plans for the house.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Hearst, Demands Nos. 58, 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63 amounting to $5,382.52 were approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Hearst, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Coburn.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:30 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 5, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with James D. Phelan presiding.

PRESENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Ira W. Coburn,
Constant J. Auger,
James D. Phelan.

ABSENT: George Hearst,
John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 22nd were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

Professor Augustus Zanzig, Director of Music, Harvard University, and now on a two year survey of community music throughout the United States for the National Playground and Recreation Association of America called to see the Commission. He congratulated the Playground Commission on their music program, which he has had an opportunity of seeing, and commended Mrs. Foster's work very highly.

The Superintendent reported regarding the swimming pools and recommended that at the North Beach Pool a higher fence be erected on the Mason Street side to prevent balls from going into the tanks. The City Attorney stated that if the Commission locked the entrances to the pools they would not be responsible for any accidents occurring as a result of persons entering the pool by irregular means.

Mr. Pack presented a plan for the development of the Rochambeau School lot on 24th and 25th Avenues, between California and Clement Streets which will cost approximately $15,000 including the $7500 estimate for the field house designed by Mr. Gardner Dailey. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and carried the Commission approved the project as explained by Mr. Pack, and authorized the work to be commenced. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Coburn and Mr. Phelan.

Mr. Pack reported that the cost of improving the State Board of Education property at 555 Chestnut Street will be approximately $8000, and the complete renovation of the North Beach Playground play area will cost about $16,000 or a total of $24,000 for the two projects.

The Superintendent was asked to see Mr. Hardy, Board of Education, regarding the full facts appertaining to this state property before the Commission reaches a decision in the matter.

Mr. Somers reported he visited the property owned by Mrs. Stewart Williams at 201 Claremont Avenue adjoining the West Portal Playground, and the owner is asking $10,000 for the property although he believes the city should not pay more than $8500 to $9000. Mr. Auger agreed to look over the property; and action has been postponed until the next Commission meeting.

Mr. Phillips, at the request of the Chairman, reached Mr. Allen regarding China Beach. He stated he is not anxious to sell the property to the city. Mrs. Bachman and Mrs. Gunn called before the Commission to offer any assistance the Commission may want. Mr. Phelan asked the committee to inform the department if any building operations proceed on the property in question. He also stated nothing further can be done at this time, but next year when the State Legislature meets, definite steps can be taken to acquire China Beach.

Demands Nos. 64, 65 and 66 amounting to $3,182.04 were approved as presented. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Coburn, Mr. Phelan.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:45 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. February 14, 1930.

CAMP COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Camp Committee was held Friday evening at 8:15 P.M. in 376, City Hall, with the following persons present:

Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Chairman
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. Norman Center,
Miss Rose McGreevy,
Mr. George Harman,
Mr. H. B. Pack,
Miss Josephine D. Randall.

It was decided to recommend that improvements which will cost approximately $23,000 be made at camp this fiscal year as enumerated in the detailed camp report.

PERSONNEL

Life guard to be on hand at the lake all day.
Mr. Arthur McDowell to be employed as camp doctor.

RATE

$2.00 per day rate to hold for 3 days or over, instead of four days and over.

HORSES

Advisable to use Park and Curry Company horses.

TRANSPORTATION

Norman Center to see Mr. Don Tressider regarding busses for sightseeing trips.
The same train and auto service will be used as before, i.e., Santa Fe, Southern Pacific and California Transit Companies.

ADVERTISING

By pamphlets, streets cars and magazines. Possibility of advertising in newspapers was considered.
It was suggested that the camp be featured in the auto section of one of the Sunday issues.

SEASON

Camp will open June 15th, and close on August 31st, 1930.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 10 P.M.

Ella B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. February 19, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M. with James D. Phelan presiding.

PRESENT: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

ABSENT: Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of February 5th were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Helen Wills Moody stating her willingness to play in an exhibition tennis match at the Helen Wills Playground in March. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to thank Mrs. Moody for her offer.

A letter was received from Mr. James I. Foley, Superintendent, Civic Auditorium, asking that this department communicate with Supervisor Hayden regarding the rental of the Auditorium for our fall festival in November. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to communicate with Supervisor Hayden requesting the continued free use of the Auditorium.

The Commission granted the request of Mr. Karl A. Dietrich, representing the Musicians' Union, to hold a free symphony concert on the Argonne Playground Sunday evening, March 9th from 7 to 9 P.M.

Miss Mosgrove reported for the Camp Committee and advised that certain improvements be made at Mather this season.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission unanimously decided to spend approximately $23,000 at Camp Mather this fiscal year in making improvements as listed in the detailed camp report.

The Commission, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, asked that the Superintendent write a letter to the State Board of Education requesting the use of the property at 555 Chestnut Street for playground purposes, and that it be deeded to the Playground Commission.

On Mr. Auger's recommendation the Commission decided not to purchase the building at 201 Claremont Avenue adjoining West Portal Playground, and has postponed action on a building for this playground for an indefinite period.

The Superintendent reported the Board of Education is looking with favor on the possibility of allowing the Playground Commission the use of the Balboa High School Gymnasium for night use from Monday through Friday evenings.

The Superintendent reported the Grounds Committee visited the Sunset District endeavoring to locate sites to be included in the budget requests for the next fiscal year. The suggested locations are as follows:

Lawton, Kirkham, 26th and 27th Avenues.
Judah, Kirkham, 35th and 36th Avenues, approximate value $70,000.
Mr. J. J. Phillips informed the Commission there is a block bounded by Lawton, Moraga, 35th and 36th Avenues, which can be purchased at this time for approximately $30,000.

The Western Division Recreation Conference will be held in Seattle, April 24th, 25th and 26th. The Commission unanimously decided, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mrs. Stern, to have Mr. Raymond Kimball represent the department, and to pay all his expenses to and from the conference.

The Board of Public Works offered the small house on Twin Peaks to the Playground Department. The Commission decided to accept it.

Demands Nos. 69, 70 and 71 amounting to $2,893.20 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:12 P.M.

Ceda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 5, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with James D. Phelan presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
James D. Phelan,
Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
George Hearst,
Ira W. Coburn,
John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of February 19th, with one exception, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read. The Chairman of the Grounds Committee asked that their recommendation of sites in the Sunset District be withdrawn because two of them adjoin commercial zones, and one is adjacent to the Sunset Boulevard.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Alexander C. Roberts, President of the State Teachers College stating the Playground Commission's letter has been forwarded to the state officials at Sacramento for consideration. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Logan Dahlia Garden of 321-30th Avenue requesting the use of the school lot at 30th, 31st, Clement and California Streets for 3 years to grow dahlias. Letter ordered filed, and the Commission asked the Secretary to send a letter informing the growers that permission to use the property for a three year period is denied.

The Superintendent reported the need at this time for selecting sufficient area in San Francisco for baseball diamonds. She was asked to see Mr. O'Shaughnessy regarding the possibility of using the reservoir site at Phelan and Ocean Avenues for a number of years. The Chairman asked that a map of the Fremont and city of San Francisco claims be procured, and that General Hines be requested to permit the department to use as much area in Fort Mason as is possible, including the former city property known at one time as Alcatraz Park. The Superintendent was also asked to secure information regarding the possibility of procuring a piece of the Spring Valley property in the Lake Merced area near Harding Park for this department.

The Commission decided to follow the architect's suggestion that flat tiling be used on the roof of the Rochambeau Field House.

The Commission decided to grant Miss Libertha Vivell a leave of absence for one month in order to attend the National Recreation Training School in New York City.

Bills and current expenses on Demands Nos. 72 and 73 amounting to $4,135.90 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Phelan and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:40 P.M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

San Francisco, March 19, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with James D. Phelan presiding.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Ira. W. Coburn.

ABSENT: Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of February 19th and March 2nd were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A resolution was received from Mrs. W. F. C. Zimmerman, Chairman Playground Committee,, Pacific Heights P. T. A. requesting the establishment of playgrounds in their district. Resolution ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that this department will cooperate with them in helping to provide proper recreational facilities for the children of their district.

A petition was received from the Eureka Valley Dsitrict, (Mrs. Larry Larsen, 249 States Street, petitioner), requesting that Corona Heights be converted into a terraced park and playground. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge the petition and to forward it to the Park Commission for consideration.

A letter was received from Mr. C. C. Smith, of 1169 Wisconsin Street, Secretary Southern Civic Clubs inquiring about the development of the Potrero Hill Playground site. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission is completing the purchase of the property this fiscal year, and will commence to do additional development in the near future.

A letter was received from the Geary St. Merchants' Association thanking the Commission for granting them permission to hold their open air band concert at Argonne Playground, Sunday evening, March 9th. Letter ordered filed.

Two letters were received from Mr. J. A. Addleman regarding the need for baseball areas in San Francisco. Letters ordered filed and the Secretary to notify Mr. Addleman that the Playground Commission is making a thorough investigation of the matter at this time.

A letter was received from Mrs. H. A. Lehmberg, of 2470-33rd Avenue, Corresponding Secretary, Parkside P. T. A., calling the Commission's attention to the urgent need for a supervised playground in the Parkside District. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to suggest that they take up the matter of having McCoppin Square supervised with the Park Commission.

A letter was received from the Board of Supervisors notifying the Commission the next fiscal year's budget is to be filed by April 1st. Letter ordered filed and the Department to comply.

A letter was received from Mr. Garnder A. Bailey accompanying blue prints for the Portola Field House, in which he states the specifications for the building are ready.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger and unanimously carried, the Commission decided to advertise for bids for the construction of the Portola Field House.

On Mr. Pack's recommendation, the Commission unanimously decided to grade a portion of the Potrero Hill Playground and dump the rock in the St. Mary's Playground Site. This arrangement is also satisfactory to J. P. Holland, who has the contract for fill at St. Mary's Playground.

The Commission unanimously decided on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger to include in next year's budget 2 playground sites located in the Sunset District as follows: 1 - the 2 blocks bounded by M., N., 27th and 29th Avenues, appraised value $145,000; 2.- the 2 blocks bounded by O., P., 41st and 43rd Avenues appraisement $66,500, which does not include the value of school property located within that area.

In discussing the baseball situation Mr. Phelan stated he will take up with General Hines the possibility of this department using a portion of the Fort Mason property for baseball.

The Commission also considered the possibility of land in the Spring Valley Water Company area. The Secretary was asked to have Mr. A. J. Riordan, City Right-of-Way agent call on Mr. S. P. Eastman to find out the feasibility of acquiring, at reasonable terms, a sufficient baseball area for this department.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

In discussing the letter Mr. Phelan received from Dr. William Fitch Cheney it was decided that the Superintendent find some means of silencing the noise caused at Julius Kahn Playground in the early morning hours by the tennis players.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, Mr. Gilbert G. Weigl was awarded the work of editing the Playground Commission's annual report for which he will receive the sum of $350. This will include all work necessary from the present state of the report until it is off the press. The Commission requests that the work be done in cooperation with the Superintendent.

In discussing signs the Commission decided to erect one at a playground and then to pass on its suitability as the standard type for all the grounds.

Two resolutions for the purchase of property in the Potrero Hill Playground were unanimously passed as follows:

One in the sum of $1,250 in favor of Johannes Nelsen, and the other in the sum of $1250 in favor of S. Szemanski: Ayes: Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Coburn.

Demands No. 74, 75, 76, 77 and 78 amounting to $6,114.67 were approved for payment. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Phelan, Mr. Coburn.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Edna D. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 2, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2:15 P.M. with James D. Phelan presiding:

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Alicia Mosgrove,
James D. Phelan,
Constant J. Auger,
John McLaren.

ABSENT: George Hearst,
Ira W. Coburn.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of March 19th, 1930 were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication addressed to the President of the Playground Commission was received from The Builders' Exchange regarding the construction of the Rochambeau Field House. Communication order filed, and the President to inform the Builders' Exchange in writing of the Commission's stand in the matter.

A description of the property in the Sea Cliff Subdivision adjoining China Beach was received from the California Pacific Title and Trust Company accompanied by a $50.00 demand for securing the information. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the bill was ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Phelan and Mr. McLaren.

A communication was received from Mr. H. C. Harkness of Australia who recently returned from a tour of the recreation departments in the United States Canada and Great Britain. He complimented the Playground Commission for having the most outstanding department of any visited.

A letter was received from the City Engineer's Office together with a letter from the Glen Park Parent Teacher Association requesting an extension of the Glen Park sewer. Letter ordered filed and Mr. Pack authorized to take up the matter with the persons concerned.

A request was received from Mr. Louis Providenza of 14 Boardman Place asking that St. Theresa's Parish be given permission to hold a religious celebration at Jackson Playground, Sunday, April 27th. The Secretary was authorized to inform Mr. Providenza that the Commission can not grant the request; first, because of their policy which does not permit religious or political activities to be conducted on any of the playgrounds, and second, because of the serious interference which would result to the regular athletic activities scheduled each Sunday at Jackson.

Mr. Auger suggested that the Playground Commission might be interested in renting Recreation Baseball Park at 15th and Valencia Streets at $1500 a month for five years. Miss Randall and Mr. Pack were asked to make a study of the possible revenue.

In discussing playground areas, Mr. Phelan asked that Mr. Pack consider that property located below St. Catherine's Home at 901 Potrero Avenue.

Mr. Phelan recommended having the Playground Commission confer with the Park Commission regarding the possibility of supervising athletic activities in the Palace of Fine Arts.

Mrs. Stern and Miss Mosgrove were authorized to see Colonel Fred R. Brown regarding the extension of the Julius Kahn baseball field.

The Superintendent reported that the Chief of Police would like this department to consider, if the necessary arrangements can be made, the evening supervision of athletic activities on the High School of Commerce Field.

The Superintendent was asked to see the City Engineer regarding the possibility of having that city property located at Bay, Larkin, Hyde and Francisco Streets transferred to the Playground Commission for use as a playground.

The Commission decided to ask the Board of Supervisors to make several special appropriations, in addition to the regular budget, to this department, as follows:

Baseball Area, Lake Merced District,	$300,000
Sunset District, Block 2021,22 M, N, 27th-29th Aves.	145,000
Sunset District, Block 2092-03 O, P, 41st-43rd Aves.	66,500
Visitacion Valley	30,000
Leland, Cora, Delta, Visitacion Sts.	
	$541,500

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

A resolution for the purchase of property in the Potrero Hill Playground site from Joseph C. Shaw in the sum of $5,050 was unanimously approved. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. McLaren and Mr. Phelan.

Demands Nos. 79, 80 and 81 amounting to $7,680.13 were unanimously approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Phelan and Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco. April16, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

ABSENT: Senator James D. Phelan,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. George Hearst,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of April 2, 1930, were unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Supervisor Warren Shannon, Chairman, Building Committee, addressed to Mr. Phelan advising the Commission that they will not be obliged to change their present headquarters in Room378, and 378, City Hall. Letter ordered filed.

A copy of a letter sent by the Board of Education to the Board of Supervisors was received which contained a resolution for auctioning the former school buildings adjoining the James Lick Playground. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. Mabel C. Allen, Corresponding Secretary of the California Congress of Parent Teachers asking that a member of the Playground Commission serve on their Executive Board. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

Letters were received from Mr. Phelan as follows: One regarding the location for the Portola Field House. Mrs. Stern informed the Commission she would take up the matter with Mr. Phelan. Another regarding the possible use of the Palace of Fine Arts by this department for tennis and other athletic activities. The Commission decided to take up the matter with Mr. Phelan personally. A third suggesting that the Playground Commission take up with the War Department the possibility of procuring a revocable license for the use of that level recreation area in Fort Mason used irregularly at present for athletic purposes. The Commission unanimously decided to take action on this suggestion, and to follow the same procedure as was taken when applying for the Julius Kahn Playground in 1922. Letters ordered filed.

Mr. J. M. Gregory, Chairman Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club of 1728-10th Avenue presented a letter from the club asking that a playground be established on the school lot located on 9th Avenue, between Ortega and Pacheco Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply stating that an estimate will be made of the cost of establishing a satisfactory playground, although funds will not permit any development during the next fiscal year.

The Commission unanimously decided to ask the Board of Supervisors to pass a resolution authorizing the auction of the house at 809 Connecticut Street in the Potrero Hill Playground.

In discussing the possibility of using the former Winfield Scott School properties, the Commission decided to have Mr. Phelan visit the site before the next Commission meeting.

The Commission decided they would not consider the rental of Recreation Park, at 15th and Valencia Streets, because the possible revenue would not cover the monthly expenses. The Secretary was asked to inform Supervisor Rossi of their decision.

A verbal request was received from Mrs. Larsen of 249 State Street, and Mrs. J. Hill of 69 State Street, asking the Commission to consider the development of a playground in Corona Heights, between 15th and 16th Streets and State and Roosevelt Way. The Grounds Committee decided to visit the location.

Miss Randall reported that the City Engineer is personally in favor of this department using the city property at Hay, Larkin, Hyde and Francisco Streets, but stated it would be necessary to see Mr. Nelson Eckart. The Grounds Committee decided to look over the property again.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

The Commission unanimously passed on the department budget for 1930-31 as follows:

Personnel	$272,325.50
Non-Personnel	115,841.50
Land	64,750.00
Improvements-Equipment	6,983.00
Improvement-Buildings and Structures	246,550.00
	$708,450.00

The additional request for special appropriations from the Board of Supervisors for next fiscal year totaled $541,500.00.

A resolution for the purchase of property in Potrero Hill from Frank, Eve and Maria Salacone in the sum of $3,750.00 was unanimously passed by the Commission. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger, Mr. Coburn.

Demands Nos. 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86 amounting to $7,614.85 were unanimously approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger, Mr. Coburn.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Sedar B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 7, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. John McLaren.
Mr. Ira Coburn.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of April 16th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Mr. Gilbert G. Weigle reported on the progress of the department annual. It will be ready for the printer within the very near future.

Mr. James J. Maher, Secretary Civil Service Commission met with the Commission and explained the advisability of having the Playground Commission amend the Charter at the next general election so that all playground employees will be included under the civil service provisions.

The concensus of opinion is that the Playground Commission is in favor of this procedure. It was further suggested that Miss Randall and Mr. Maher word the amendment.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Property Owners' Association of North Beach requesting the establishment of a playground near the Washington Irving School. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that there is no property available for playgrounds in that vicinity.

A communication was received from the Reis and Paul Tract Improvement Club of 48 Tioga Avenue asking for the establishment of a playground in the John McLaren Park. The Secretary was asked to inform the improvement club that their letter has been sent to the Park Commission for consideration.

Three letters were received, one from J. A. Addleman, one from Edward Rainey, and another from R. S. Turner stressing the advisability of acquiring a large baseball area in San Francisco for adult games. Letters ordered filed.

A letter was received from Supervisor James B. McSheehy, Chairman Playground Commission asking the Playground Commission if they wish to install a putting course on land owned by the Water Department. The Secretary was instructed to reply that there is no money available for this development.

A request was received from the Pacific Heights P. T. A. asking that a representative from this department attend a meeting at the school for the purpose of discussing the establishment of a supervised public playground in the Pacific Heights District. Letter ordered filed, and the Commission decided to have George Harman attend.

A copy of a letter sent to James D. Phelan by Benton Fremont accompanied by a copy of a telegram from John J. O'Toole, and one from Mayor Rolph were received. The three communications referred to the bill pending in Congress regarding the ceding Fort Mason property to the city and the parties concerned. The Commission decided not to take any action with the War Department regarding Fort Mason until the next Commission meeting at which time Mr. Phelan will be present.

A letter was received from Aaron M. Cohen of 369 Pine Street offering for sale property in the Sunset District. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Commission is not in a position to consider purchasing any property at this time.

The Secretary was asked to reply to the 2nd District California Congress of Parent Teachers that no member of the Commission has the time to attend their regular executive board meetings. However, the Commission will be pleased to cooperate with them at all times.

The Superintendent reported that to date 182 persons had registered to go to the San Francisco Recreation Camp. This registration is approximately 400% greater than last year.

Mr. Somers reported that the two 50 vara lots adjoining the former Winfield Scott School and owned by Mitell Realty Company can be purchased for $55,000. The concensus of opinion was that if the property owned by the Title Insurance and Guaranty Company, which is located back of the school building can be secured for a reasonable sum on a satisfactory installment basis, the Commission go on record favoring the purchase of the two holdings.

A letter was received from Charles H. Spengemann, 812 Stockton Street, asking the Commission to consider improving the school lot On 47th Avenue between Cabrillo and Fulton Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission has no money with which to develop additional school lots at this time.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Demands Nos. 88, 89, 90, 91, 92 and 93 amounting to $10,729.05 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as presented.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 21, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:25 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: Mr. James D. Phelan,
Mr. Ira Coburn,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of May 7th were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. L. Lineburger, Corresponding Secretary, Jefferson P. T. A. asking the Commission to consider the establishment of a playground near 26th and Lincoln Way. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the request can not be considered at this time because of lack of funds.

A letter was received from Frank Fischer, Secretary, Northern Federation of Civic Organizations requesting the establishment of a playground on city property located on Bay Street between Hyde and Larkin Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the request can not be considered at this time because of lack of funds.

A communication was received from Supervisor McSheehy asking the Commission to consider the advisability of purchasing the vacant lot on Clarement Boulevard adjoining the West Portal Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that because of lack of funds the request can not be given consideration at this time.

Mr. Riordan of the City Right-of-Way Department presented the status of the property adjoining the old Winfield Scott School. One piece of the property is in litigation. The Commission after due consideration decided to notify the Board of Education that they are not interested in taking over the Winfield Scott School property.

REPRESENTATIVES AND DELEGATIONS

Mr. William B. Spencer representing the City Employees' Association of San Francisco addressed the Commission in behalf of the 4850 employees in the city service who are anxious to be included in the civil service. The Commission decided to make a thorough study of the situation and to decide whether it would be advisable to have a special amendment to include the playground employees under civil service in addition to the [illegible] Mr. Spencer is now coming.

A delegation from the Pacific Heights District, with Mrs. William H. Stanton as chairman, presented a plan prepared by Mr. Eldridge T. Spencer, architect, for the development of a playground area in Alta Plaza Square. The committee also mentioned they are taking up the matter with the Park Commission.

The following bids were received for the construction of a field house on the Portola Playground.

	BID	CHECK
Jacks & Irvine	$64,[illegible]	$7500
Frank J. Reilly	65,222	7250
J. W. Cobby & Son	66,150	6800
J. Harold Johnson	67,539	7000
Anderson & Ringrose	68,495	8000
J. W. Bryant	[illegible],787	----
J. W. Grant	[illegible],440	7000
Clinton-Stephenson Const.Co.	69,440	7000
Spivock & Spivock	69,480	7000
W. J. La Voie	69,683	6000
Vogt & Davidson	69,727	7000
Parrett & Wilp	69,967	8000
Mission Concrete Co.	72,751	7500
C. W. Haun	73,995	7500

Mr. Gardner A. Dailey, the architect, pointed out certain possible changes in the specifications which may necessitate additional expense in the erection of the field house.

The Commission decided to award the contract to the low bidder providing he is thoroughly reliable.

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San Francisco,

The Superintendent presented letters from City Engineer, M. M. O'Shaughnessy, Congresswoman Florence P. Kahn and Horace M. Albright, Director of the National Park Service assuring the city that there is no intention on the part of the government to deprive San Francisco of any of the camp property at Mather before the completion of the Eleanor Dam and the future dam at Hetch Hetchy.

The Commission decided to supervise the Balboa High School playfield during June and if the experiment proves successful to continue the supervision during the entire vacation period.

The Commission unanimously decided to supervise play on the new Winfield Scott Schoolyard commencing in June.

The Superintendent reported dn the advisability of establishing a Junior Symphony for high school graduates between the ages of 18 and 22 years, who are experienced orchestra players. Mr. Victor Lichtenstein is willing to assume the leadership of such an orchestra. The Commission decided to give the project a thorough trial and if it proves self-supporting to continue it as a regular activity of the Music Department.

The Superintendent reported about the CaliforniaBoys' Club Band. The Commission decided to have Miss Randall arrange for the use of the Alvarado School for practice purposes and to cooperate with the Community Music School in procuring a volunteer leader if this plan meets with the approval of the trustees of the Boys' Club.

The Play Committee decided to meet on Monday, May 26th for the purpose of interviewing all applicants for summer work on the playgrounds.

The Commission decided not to hold an annual tour of the playgrounds at this time, but, if in the future it is advisable to have such a visit to make the necessary arrangements at that time.

In discussing the possibility of having groups of children attend Camp Mather, it was decided, that if small groups of the same age can be selected under proper leaders ip, to arrange all the necessary details.

The Commission decided to have the playground directors visit camp at their own expense on June 21st and 22nd, and not to deduct their compensation for Saturday, June 21st.

The Commission decided not to consider taking over the operation of the College Hill Community Center at 104 Richland Avenue.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Gerald Linares, one of the playground directors, is making a survey of the causes for juvenile delinquency in the Hayes Valley District, and will present a report and recommendation to the Playground Commission when the investigation is completed.

On motion regularly moved and carried, demands Nos. 94, 95, 96 and 97, amounting to $9,269.83 were approved for payment. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove and Mrs. Stern.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the hour of 4:30 P.M.

Ceda B Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 4, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 3:30 P.M. with Mrs. Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

ABSENT: Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. James L. Phelan
Mr. Ira M. Coburn,
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of May 21st were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

The Secretary invited the Commission to attend the First Annual Girls' Play Day in which all the playgrounds will participate on Saturday, June 7th, at Funston Playground.

In discussing Civil Service, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Commission decided to include the Superintendent within the Civil Service provisions, and to exclude all employees receiving a monthly compensation of $200 or less.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Lamb, Secretary of the Park Commission, was interested in the suggestion to convert the Palace of Fine Arts into an Athletic center.

The Commission decided to act on the Superintendent's recommendation that the Geary School, located at Cook and Geary Streets, be opened during the summer as a supervised playground.

A letter signed by Mr. J. B. Frick of [illegible] Avenue was received through the Mayor's office requesting additional tennis courts in the Richmond District. The Secretary was asked to inform Mr. Frick that if it is possible to provide more tennis courts out of this department's limited budget for 1930-31 the Commission will be glad to do so. However, the Commission is definitely planning to build more courts whenever funds are available.

The Commission decided to have 2000 copies of their annual report printed if the price is satisfactory.

The Superintendent reported that George Hearst has offered to send a winner and escort to the National Playground and Recreation Association's Miniature Aircraft Tournament in Atlantic City in October.

Miss Randall suggested that Miss Young act as the escort. The local aircraft contest will be held in cooperation with the Publicity Department of the San Francisco Examiner.

Demands Nos. 103, 104 and 105 amounting in all to $1,771.84 were approved as presented: Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:10 P.M.

Ceda B Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 18, 1930

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m. with Mrs. Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Constant J. Auger

ABSENT: Mr. Jas. D. Phelan
Mr. George Hearst
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Ira Coburn

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of June 4th were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A copy of a letter forwarded to Mrs. P. A. Sherman of 1664 Larkin Street by the Board of Education was received. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that it is not advisable to supervise play on the Spring Valley Schoolyard.

Mr. Raymond Kimball reported on his trip to the Western Division Recreation Conference held in Seattle recently. Cooperation between the Boards of Education and Recreation Departments and the need for adequately trained directors were stressed. The paper Mr. Kimball presented aroused a great deal of interest in the San Francisco Department and representatives inquired especially after the cooperation with the dance hall committee and the work being done by our research department.

The Secretary reported that the First Annual Girls' Play Day held on June 7th was very successful.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Maher is still working on the proposed amendment to include the Playground employees under Civil Service. When it is complete it will be presented to the Commission.

The Superintendent also reported that to date 937 persons have registered for camp. Miss Mosgrove gave a very splendid report of the improvements made at camp. The Superintendent was authorized to make arrangements, if advisable, for film service at Mather.

The Commission authorized Miss Randall to find out what legal proceedings are necessary when land is transferred from the Board of Education to the Playground Commission for use, or from the Playground Commission to the Board of Education for their use.

Miss Randall reported that Mr. Linares has been doing splendid work on the Hayes Valley District survey. It was also suggested that informal meetings be held from time to time of the groups interested in Child Welfare Work. The meeting will include among others, Charles P. Schermerhorn, Assistant Probation Officer, George Kramer of the Part-Time High School and a representative from the Playground Department.

Demands Nos. 106, 107, 108, 109, and 110 amounting to $10,[illegible].41 were approved for payment. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, and Mrs. Stern.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

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SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 17, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Stern presiding.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant Auger
Ira Coburn

ABSENT: George Hearst
John McLaren

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of September 3rd, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mrs. Della Larsen, Secretary, Corona Heights Improvement Club requesting the Commission to establish a playground at Corona Heights. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission has no funds in this year's budget for the purchase of a playground in their district.

A copy of a letter forwarded by the Ingleside Improvement Club to the Board of Supervisors was received in which they suggest that the Supervisors turn over the land at the County Jail to this department whenever the jail is removed. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent asked to see Mr. Lamb of the Park Commission.

Telegrams were received from the Pacific Coast and National Recreation Association Headquarters informing this department that San Francisco qualified eight children to participate in the National Miniature Aircraft Tournament in Atlantic City. The Secretary reported that the Junior and Senior Champions will represent San Francisco at the meet.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, Miss Veda B. Young is to officially represent the Commission at the National Recreation Conference at Atlantic City, October 6 - 11th with all expense paid by the Playground Department.

Mr. Auger was authorized to take up with the Building Committee of the Board of Supervisors the inadvisability of attempting to change the headquarters of the Playground Commission.

The Commission decided to accompany Professor Harry W. Shepherd, landscape engineer for the State Park Commission to China Beach Friday, September 19th in order that he may recommend to his Board the advisability of making this location a permanent public recreational area.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. George Wisler of the Juvenile Court called her attention to the need for a playground in the Visitacion Valley District to help offset the delinquency problems there. The Commission asked that Miss Randall look into the matter further.

The Superintendent also reported that the first meeting as a direct outcome of the Hayes Valley Delinquency Problems which were reported in Mr. Gerald Linares' survey will be held Wednesday, September 24th, at which time the Chief of Police, the Superintendents of the Continuation School, Juvenile Court, Public Schools, and Playground Commission will be present.

The Commission decided not to make any special concession to tennis players who may wish to use the playground courts before 9 A.M. at which time the caretakers report for duty and open the gates.

The Superintendent reported the Dudley Stone Parent Teacher Association is requesting the Commission to establish a playground on the site of the former Crocker Junior High School. The Commission suggests that the committee make application to have Waller Street closed in order to immediately relieve the need for play area.

The estimated cost of the land adjacent the Crocker Junio High School is $40,000. The Commission decided to consider the Crocker site at a later period.

The Parent Teachers' Association of the Paul Revere School recommends that the site of the present Bernal Heights School be considered for a playground whenever the school is discontinued. The Commission will look into the matter at the time the school is abandoned.

The Superintendent reported that the Principal of the Presidio Junior High School is glad to have the gymnasia supervised by the Playground Commission. Miss Randall was therefore authorized to open the gymnasia and to employ one of the physical education instructors therefor the supervising work. The supervision of the schoolyard will be considered in next year's budget.

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On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, Miss Proctor was authorized to conduct a class in puppetry for the playground directors and to hire the instructor from the San Francisco State Teachers' College for the sum of $75.00.

The Superintendent stated that Oliver Germino is asking for a leave of absence from Hamilton Playground from September 23rd until November 10th for the purpose of working on the Civil Service Amendment. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the leave was granted.

Major George W. Braden called on the Commission and commented on this department's splendid annual report, also in the remarkable progress that has been made during the past two years. He also reported about the general recreational program carried on in his western territory.

Mr. Pack presented a drawing appertaining to the development of the Balboa Terrace Playground site. The Commission decided to visit the location after the meeting and to make their recommendation at that time.

Miss Randall reported that a request was received from San Jose regarding the establishment of a municipal system there and that she was sending Mr. Kimball and Mr. Harman to give the necessary information.

Demands Nos. 21, 21, 22, 23 and 24, amounting to $13,100.99, were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as presented. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Coburn and Miss Mosgrove.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:15 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 3, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Stern presiding.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger
George Hearst

ABSENT: John McLaren,
Ira W. Coburn

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of April 16th, May 7th, 21st, June 4th and 18th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from George R. Meyerderks, Secretary, Park-Presidio Improvement Association urging the Commission to carry out the late James D. Phelan's wish to have China Beach preserved for public recreation. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Playground Commission is looking into the matter at present.

A communication was received from J. F. Dettmering, Recording Secretary Visitacion and Reis Tract Improvement Association asking that the Playground Commission establish a permanent memorial to the late James D. Phelan in their section of the city. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission is looking into the suggestion of having China Beach set aside since it was James D. Phelan's wish that this location be set apart for public recreation.

A letter was received from Mrs. Annette L. Bachman, Chairman, China Cove Committee, urging the Commission to follow up with the California State Park Commissioners the possibility of having China Beach set aside as a public recreation center. A further suggestion was made that it be a permanent memorial to James D. Phelan. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission is taking action on these matters.

A communication was received from the Committee on Uniform Accounting informing the Commission that in accordance with a resolution passed by the Board of Supervisors May 9, 1930, the accounting procedure of every city department is to be investigated for the purpose of adopting a uniform system for the entire municipal government. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association asking that a drinking fountain be installed in the children's play area of the Funston Playground Annex. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the request has been approved.

A communication was received from Joseph P. Osterloh, President, East and West of Castro Street Improvement Club suggesting a method whereby the attendance may be increased at the Douglass Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that this method would only serve as a temporary and artificial stimulus whereas the playground should stand on its own merit to attract the children.

A letter was received from Major John P. Adams stating he was pleased to be able to cooperate with the Playground Commission by having the R.O.T.C. band play at the "Lindy" League Aircraft Meet at the State Armory, August 23rd, 1930. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from A. P. Donnally in charge of Ground Instruction Boeing School of Aeronautics, commenting on the great improvement the children are making in the construction of miniature aircraft as witnessed by him at the Playground Meet on August 23rd. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Gerald J. O'Gara, Chairman Marine Committee, Junior Chamber of Commerce, thanking the Commission for holding a ship and harbor model display at the Merchant's Exchange and the Ferry Building on Harbor Day. Letter ordered filed.

The Superintendent presented copies of Mr. Gerald J. Linares' survey of the Hayes Valley District to the Commission for their consideration.

In discussing Civil Service, Miss Mosgrove, who is the Civil Service Chairman of the Playground Commission, was authorized to see Supervisor Havenner regarding the latest developments and was empowered to take any necessary action.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

The Secretary was asked to make an appointment for the Commission to visit China Beach in company with Professor Harry W. Shepherd, landscape engineer, for the State Park Commission, keeping in mind the possibility of having this location set aside as a permanent memorial to James D. Phelan.

The Superintendent reported that a winner has been selected to represent the San Francisco Playground Department at the National Playground Miniature Aircraft Meet at Atlantic City, and that the San Francisco Examiner is paying all the expenses of the winner and an escort.

The Superintendent was authorized to place the man director at North Beach Playground on a part-time basis commencing September 8th.

The Commission asked that an estimate be made of the land adjoining the former Crocker Junior High School site as a possibility for playground use.

Mrs. Stern stated she will call on Colonel Fred R. Brown regarding further development of the Julius Kahn Playground.

Miss Randall reported that the Public Library has always been most cooperative and has recently furnished an extensive list of recreational books for the playground directors.

Mr. Pack reported that the work on the Portola Building is progressing satisfactorily, and according to schedule.

The Commission authorized Mr. Pack to confer with the Board of Education in making a plan for the development of the playground which will adjoin the Aptos School.

On motion regularly moved and carried demands Nos. 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 amounting to $14,675.36 were approved for payment. Ayes: Alicia Mosgrove, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Constant Auger and George Hearst.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, it was decided to adjourn the meeting out of respect to the memory of James D. Phelan, and the Secretary was asked to have the following resolution spread on the minutes of the Commission.

IN MEMORIAM JAMES DUVAL PHELAN

WHEREAS JAMES DUVAL PHELAN has been called to his eternal rest, the Playground Commission desires to give fitting expression to his relatives in their great loss; and

WHEREAS his years of untiring devotion to the Playground Department, his indefatigable efforts in the upbuilding of San Francisco, and his constructive work in California and the Nation made him one of the most beloved and outstanding citizens and statesmen in the United States; be it

RESOLVED that the Playground Commission in regular session this day, Wednesday, September 3, 1930, expresses its profound grief and condoles with the Nation in its great loss; be it further

RESOLVED that the Playground Commission adjourn this day out of respect to the memory of JAMES DUVAL PHELAN and that this Resolution be duly signed by the members of the Playground Commission and be spread upon the minutes of the Board, and a copy be forwarded to his relatives.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Wesley B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 1, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M.

PRESENT: Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern

ABSENT: Ira Coburn
John McLaren
George Hearst

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of September 17, 1930 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

A letter was received from the Ingleside Improvement Club addressed to the Board of Supervisors requesting them to turn over to the Playground Commission all land inside the fence now used as a county jail site. Miss Randall stated that Mr. Lamb of the Park Commission was tracing the original ownership of this property and its history.

It was recommended that Mr. Harman make a search of the records in an attempt to find out the origin of the property.

A letter was received from the Army Street District Improvement Association asking that a playground be established at Bernal Park on Precita Avenue. The letter was referred to the Park Commission.

A letter was received from Dr. Francis W. Epley inquiring about the possibility of obtaining space for an archery club. The Funston Annex was suggested as a possible archery field and the Superintendent was authorized to talk with Dr. Epley regarding available space.

Miss Randall reported that there are 973 people immediately interested in the Civil Service Amendment and that $10,000 is required for campaign purposes. This money is to be raised by collecting 10% of one month's salary of all employees concerned.

Miss Randall reported that a Coordination Committee had been formed comprised of the Chief of Police, Chief Probation Officer, Superintendent of Schools and Superintendent of Playgrounds for the purpose of uniting the interests of the four departments upon the problem children. A meeting of the Coordination Committee was held relative to the Upper Hayes Valley survey on September 24th, 1930, in the Playground Office. The following recommendations were made by the Committee:

1.- That the play space on the Margaret S. Hayward Playground at Golden Gate Avenue and Gough Street be enlarged by removing all trees and shrubs now interfering with play, and that the playground be lighted for evening outdoor activities.

2.- That a recreation man give his full time to the district working at large and in cooperation with all available centers.

3.- That a survey be made of the Visitacion Valley-Bay View District similar to the Hayes Valley survey.

On motion of Mr. Auger, and seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the recommendation that the Margaret S. Hayward Playground be enlarged by removing trees and shrubs now interfering with play, and lighted for night use, was approved if funds are available.

An estimate of the cost of all necessary improvements and lighting was asked to be submitted at the next regular meeting of the Playground Commission.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, and unanimously carried, the recommendation that "a recreation man give his full time to the district working at large and in cooperation with all available centers", was approved.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, the recommendation of the Coordination Committee that a survey be made of the Visitacion-Bay View District, was approved.

Miss Randall reported that a request had been received from the San Francisco Hospital for a recreation leader on two nights a week for the nurses. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, this request was granted on the basis of a three months experimental period.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Miss Randall reported that a request had been received for the supervision of the Lafayette Schoolyard as a playground. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, Miss Randall was authorized to forward a letter to Superintendent Gwinn requesting the use of the Lafayette Schoolyard for a playground.

A letter was received from the Board of Education recommending that the Playground Commission request the Board of Supervisors to transfer the following properties to the Board of Education for school purposes:

"That the land on the southeast corner of the block bounded by 25th and Clipper Streets, Noe and Castro Streets, 114' x 320', originally acquired by the City and County of San Francisco 'for school purposes' and transferred to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission and dedicated to playground purposes by Resolution 20828 (New Series), Board of Supervisors, approved March 9, 1923, and Resolution 23376, (New Series) Board of Supervisors, approved December 31, 1924, be re-transferred in a similar manner to the jurisdiction of the Board of Education for use in connection with the playground for the new James Lick Junior High School."

It was decided, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, to pass a resolution requesting the Board of Supervisors to transfer the land hereinabove described to the School Department for school purposes with the following conditions:

That the Board of Education guarantee the unrestricted right to use the play field surrounding the school that a certain area, approximately 50' x 100' be set aside in the girls' yard to be used as a mothers' and small children's area to be layed out, built and fenced by the Board of Education, according to the standards of the Playground Commission, and at the expense of the Board of Education, with easy access to this area from Clipper Street, and a gate into the girls' yard; that suitable lavatory facilities be placed adjacent to this area for the convenience of mothers and small children; that the Playground Commission be given use of the gymnasium, lavatories, showers and similar facilities located in the school; and that suitable space be set aside in the school building for an office to carry out the activities of the Playground Commission on these grounds.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, Demands Nos. 26, 27 and 28 amounting to $13,539.46 were approved and ordered paid. **Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger and Miss Mosgrove.**

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

Winifred Gaskin
ACTING SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 15, 1930.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order at the hour of 2:30 with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Ira Coburn.

ABSENT: Mr. George Hearst.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the meeting of October 1st, 1930, were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Coburn, approved as read.

The next order of business was the election of President and Vice-President respectively of the Playground Commission.

Mr. Auger moved that Mrs. Stern be elected President of the Playground Commission, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator James D. Phelan, because "of her many years of untiring devotion, her ever-helpful inspiration, and her keen insight of the needs of this department". Mr. Coburn seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, Mr. Constant J. Auger was unanimously elected Vice-President of the Playground Commission.

A communication was received from Mrs. Mordecai of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association requesting the Playground Commission to place a drinking fountain at the Funston Playground. Miss Randall was asked to communicate with Mrs. Mordecai and to inform her that the drinking fountain had already been ordered installed.

A communication was received from the Dudley Stone Parent Teacher Association requesting the Playground Commission to establish a playground on the site of the old Crocker Junior High School, or, if not practical at this time to supervise the Dudley Stone Schoolyard after school hours. Miss Randall was asked to communicate with the Association and to inform them that the site of the Crocker Junior High School is too small for a playground, and that there is no money available in our operating budget for the purchase and development of the adjoining area; also that the Dudley Stone Schoolyard is too small for a public supervised playground.

A communication was received from the Sea View Merchants' Association requesting that a playground be established in their district. Miss Randall was asked to communicate with them and tell them that we have no money in our operating budget at this time for the purchase and development of new areas.

Mrs. Stern presented a request from Mrs. Mordecai of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association for a handball court at the Funston Playground. Miss Randall was asked to notify Mrs. Mordecai that there are not sufficient funds to build a handball court this year, but, if possible, one will be considered in next year's budget.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the motion regarding the James Lick Playground request passed at the last meeting of the Playground Commission, was rescinded. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried, it was decided to transfer the land on which the James Lick Playground is now located to the Board of Education for school purposes with the following understanding: First, that the Board of Education will grant the Playground Commission the right to use the play field surrounding the school as a regular supervised play ground after school hours; second, that lavatory facilities will be available; third, that office space will be provided for the storage of necessary supplies and records; fourth, that the gymnasium and showers may be used by the Playground Commission for evening activities.

Miss Randall presented a report on the history of the Fall property. The Commission decided that the Fall property was acquired for playground purposes, if it is transferred to some organization when the Fall is removed to another site, and Miss Randall was asked to so inform the Supervisors.

Miss Randall announced that the Board of Health had recommended that the date of the Fall Festival be changed from November 7th to December 5th due to infantile paralysis.

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San Francisco.

Mr. Pack presented an estimate for the lighting and grading of the Margaret T. Hayward Playground. The complete cost for supplying flood lights, retaining wall, planting and replacing turf, etc., would be $9,387.20. Miss Kendall suggested that the basketball court and the end of the field nearest the house be lighted. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Conurn, and unanimously carried, it was decided to light the M. T. Hayward Playground at an approximate cost of $750.00 (Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars)

Miss Kendall announced that an examination for playground directors will be held on October 20th.

Playground signs were discussed and it was decided to request Gardner Dailey to submit a plan for the lettering.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and unanimously carried, Demands Nos. 2[illegible], 30, 31, 32 and 33 amounting to $5,106.11 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Conurn and Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Winifred Pack
ACTING SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco November 5, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Mrs. Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alice Mosgrove.

ABSENT: Mr. Constant Auger,
Mr. George Cameron,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Ira M. Conurn.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 15, 1930, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Glen Park Community Club inquiring when a community building will be erected on the playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Playground Commission realizes the need and appreciates their interest in the playground, and as soon as the necessary funds are received the Commission will build a community house.

A communication was received from the Publicity Department of the National Recreation Association stating that a great deal of publicity has been given the San Francisco Playground Department's Miniature Aircraft results throughout the entire United States. Letter ordered filed.

Mrs. Stern asked that the Mayor's Office be informed of her request for a two months' leave from the Board to become effective November 10th, 1930.

The Commission decided to submit a letter to the Board of Supervisors requesting the transfer of that irregular piece of city property containing approximately 1.033 acres, which fronts on Mississippi, Iowa and Texas streets to the Playground Commission since it apparently does not belong to any city department.

The Secretary reported on the advisability of having a full time miniature aircraft instructor for the department and also selling aircraft supplies at a nominal cost to create building funds. The Commission instructed to establish a revolving fund of $[illegible].00 for the purchase of aircraft materials, and until funds permit, to continue part-time instruction in this activity.

The Secretary reported that the California State Park Commission held a meeting in Los Angeles on Saturday, November 1st, and deferred action on the China Basin matter until their December meeting which will be held in San Francisco. This will give the Park Commissioners, who are not familiar with the project, an opportunity to look over the site.

The Commission decided that [illegible] should be viewed, and proper cost estimate of the cost be submitted.

The Superintendent reported on letter from the Department of Recreation to preserve the property values for recreational purposes as well as they propose to control their [illegible] values. The Commission tabled the Superintendent to investigate the feasibility of [illegible] on some of the playgrounds treated.

Bills and payroll contained in Demands Nos. 34, 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39 amounting to $[illegible],707.05 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:[illegible] P.M.

Isaac Blaustein
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 19, 1930.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mr. C. J. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Constant J. Auger,
Alicia Mosgrove.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
George Hearst,
Ira W. Coburn,
John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of November 5th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Superintendent of Schools asking the Commission to arrange for the use of the Presidio Junior High School Gymnasium in the afternoons for the St. Ignatius High School basketball team. Letter ordered filed and the Superintendent asked to see Superintendent Gwinn since this department has permission to use the gymnasium for evening use only.

A letter was received from the City Engineer, M. M. O'Shaughnessy accompanied by a volume and index map showing the playground and park property within the city limits. Communication ordered filed, and the Secretary to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. O'Shaughnessy.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Assistant Secretary together with several letters from Edward G. White of 1905-50th Street, Sacramento, regarding a proposition for the establishment of a camp in Mendocino County to be used in winter for homeless men, and in summer for crippled children. The matter was referred to the Superintendent to take up with the proper city department to handle matters of this sort, inasmuch as the Commission believes this is not a proposition which would fall under their jurisdiction.

A letter together with a map was received from the Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club of 1728-10th Avenue asking the Commission to consider developing the school lot on 9th Avenue between Ortega and Pacheco Streets as a children's playground. The Commission decided to have the Grounds Committee visit the site and to make a decision regarding the possibility of including it in next year's budget. The Superintendent was instructed to so inform the Improvement Club.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Office enclosing a letter from the Bernal Progressive Club of 199 Bonview Street requesting permission to play ball on Prospect Avenue between Virginia and Esmeraldo Avenues. The Superintendent stated she will investigate the neighborhood with a view to finding a playground location, if possible, and will then reply to the letter.

Mr. Gardner A. Dailey submitted a drawing for playground signs. He was authorized to proceed with having a sample sign made for the Commission's approval.

The Superintendent reported that 64 applicants took the playground director's examination held October 30th, that 18 passed 75% or over, and 9 passed from 70 to 75 per cent, making a total of 27.

The Superintendent reported that this department is investigating the possibility of using the Methodist Church Building located at Hayes and Buchanan Streets for athletic activities. She also reported that the Director-at-large for the Hayes Valley District, Mr. Albert Evans, is doing excellent work, and is anxiously awaiting a place to house his activities.

Mr. Pack reported he is cooperating with the city in its unemployment program and can use several hundred men in hand grading and several in general work on the San Francisco Playgrounds. He is awaiting further instructions from the committee which has tentatively set aside labor services estimated at $100,000 for playground work.

The Superintendent was asked to try and arrange a meeting of the Playground Commission with the Board of Freeholders regarding Civil Service for this department.

Demands Nos. 40, 41, 42 and 43 amounting to $4,406.77 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as presented. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

Cedar B. Young
SECRETARY

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M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 3 P.M. with Mr. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Constant Auger,
Alicia Mosgrove

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (On leave)
John McLaren,
Ira W. Coburn
George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of November 19th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

REPRESENTATIVES

Miss Elsie Krafft and Miss E. Oppenheimer representing Mr. Max L. Rosenberg, pledged the necessary financial support in the remodeling and rental of the Methodist Church Building on Hayes and Buchanan Streets for recreational purposes under the supervision of the Playground Commission.

Mr. Pack stated the repair work is well under way and the building will be ready for activities shortly before Christmas. It was decided that an appropriate opening ceremony be held.

Miss Randall reported that Mr. Albert Evans will continue as Director-at-large for the district, and Mr. Clifford Nelson will be the director in charge of the center.

It was unanimously decided to name the building where the recreational activities of the Hayes Valley District will be conducted, the Hayes Valley Recreation Center.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. J. A. Addleman together with a letter from Supervisor McNeeny stating that the Water Department's property at Ocean and Phelan Avenues will not be available for playground purposes and that plans are still indefinite regarding the Ingleside Jail property. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Ramon de Veaza stating his willingness to give all possible cooperation in the promotion of miniature aircraft and handicraft activities employing the use of Balsa wood. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to thank Mr. Veaza.

The Superintendent reported that an Italian Club has requested the privilege of conducting their cheese rolling game at the Funston Playground Annex. The Commission recommended that the matter be taken up with Supervisor Ambrosio.

The Commission decided to arrange for the dedication of the Portola Field House to be held some time after the building is occupied.

The Superintendent called the Commission's attention to the Annual Fall Festival of the Playground Department which will be held Friday, December 5th in the Civic Auditorium.

Miss Randall reported the Board of Freeholders asked that the Playground Commission's suggestions regarding the new Charter be presented before them at 4:30 P.M. today. Miss Mosgrove was selected to represent the Commission.

Bills and current expenses on Vouchers Nos. 44, 45, 46, 47 and 48 amounting to $7,225.66, were on motion regularly moved and carried approved as presented. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:45 P.M.

Edna B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, January 7, 1931.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Mr. C. J. Auger presiding.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Constant Auger
Ira Coburn
John McLaren.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (On leave)
George Hearst

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 3rd were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Three letters were received requesting the Playground Commission to establish a playground on the fifty vara school lot located at the corner of Bush and Stockton Streets. One was from Mrs. Josephine Callahan of 555 Bush Street, and another from George W. Gerhard, Secretary, Civic League of Improvement Clubs, and the third from Mrs. A. E. Larson of the Hotel Victoria.

Mr. Pack reported the development cost will be negligible, unless office and sanitary facilities are installed which will cost about $450 providing labor can be supplied through the Citizens' Unemployment Committee.

Miss Randall reported the willingness of the interested parties in the neighborhood to pay for the necessary development and operation costs until July 1, 1931.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried, it was decided to establish a "breathing place" on this school lot if the necessary permission to use it is received, and also provided the cost of development is met by those in the neighborhood. The Secretary was instructed to reply to the letters and inform the writers of the Commission's action.

A letter was received from Mr. Ralph Wiley, Chief Department of Electricity, stating that a radio broadcast transmitter is to be installed in the Central Fire Alarm Office in Jefferson Square, and advising the removal of the tall eucalyptus trees located in the Margaret S. Hayward Playground. The Secretary was asked to hold the letter in abeyance, and to arrange an appointment for Mr. McLaren, Mr. Wiley and Mr. Pack at the site.

The Commission decided to visit the school lot on 9th Avenue between Ortega and Pacheco Streets and determine whether they wish to develop it for playground purposes as requested by the Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club.

Miss Mosgrove reported that the State Park Commission is forwarding a letter to the Playground Commission informing them that the State will contribute $50,000 for the purchase of China Beach providing the $50,000 in the late Senator Phelan's will is transferred to the State Park Commission. The purchase of this land will be handled by the State Park Commission, but the administration of the property will for all time fall under the Playground Commission's jurisdiction.

The Superintendent reported a letter was sent to the City Attorney asking for legal advice regarding the transfer of the $50,000.

Miss Mosgrove reported on the advisability of permitting cheese rolling on the Funston Playground Annex. The concensus of opinion of the Commission was that this privilege be granted.

The Superintendent was asked to notify the group, requesting this privilege, of the Commission's action and remind them the courts will be erected at their own expense.

The Commission approved the supervision of the Everett Jr. High Schoolyard on Sundays in order to allow a place to play for the Pallone Players of the Mission District.

The Commission on motion regularly moved and carried, approved the purchase of a $300.00 Baldwin Piano for the Portola Field House. Ayes: Alicia Mosgrove, Ira Coburn, John McLaren and Constant Auger.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Oliver Gemmino is no longer in the employ of the department.

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The Superintendent also reported that the Board of Freeholders have included the Playground Commission employees under Civil Service in the new charter.

The Commission asked that a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs. Stern for her kind offer of money, up to $1000 if necessary, to be applied on the cost of furnishing the Portola Field House.

The Superintendent reported that the Portola Field House will be open for recreational activities Thursday, January 8, 1931, and the Hayes Valley Recreation Center will also be opened this week.

Mr. Pack reported that this department has been cooperating with the Citizens' Unemployment Committee and has found it necessary to purchase approximately $2000 worth of equipment, principally shovels, picks and wheelbarrows. It will be possible to receive credit on about 25 to 40% of the equipment when the unemployment program terminates. Approximately $7000 worth of grading work has been performed on the several sites. About 350 men will be at the services of the Commission on Monday, thereby necessitating the purchase of $500 worth of additional equipment.

The Commission on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren and unanimously carried, approved the emergency expenditure of $2000 and the additional $500 for the unemployment program. Ayes: Alicia Mosgrove, Ira Coburn, John McLaren, Constant Auger.

Bills and current expenses on Demands No. 54, 55, 56, 57, and 58 amounting to $9,080.88 were approved for payment. Ayes: Constant Auger, Alicia Mosgrove, Ira Coburn, John McLaren.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:15 P.M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 21, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mr. Constant Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Constant J. Auger,
Alicia Mosgrove

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On Leave)
George Hearst
John McLaren
Ira W. Coburn

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 7th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Gardner A. Dailey enclosing one bill for $3,852.42 representing his architectural services and superintendence for the construction of the Portola Field House, and one for $145.00 representing office overhead expense in preparing plans for the Rochambeau Field House. Mr. Dailey generously donated his services in the designing of the plans of the Rochambeau Building.

The bills were ordered paid on a motion regularly moved and carried. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger.

The communication was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. Dailey for his splendid services to the Playground Commission.

A letter was received from Miss Laura A. Gregory, Secretary, State Park Commission informing this department that if $50,000 is transferred from the late Senator Phelan's will to the State Department, they will match that amount and apply the $100,000 on the purchase of China Beach.

An official communication was received from the City Attorney's office informing this department that the money left by Mr. Phelan to this Commission cannot be transferred to the State. Communication ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to further investigate the matter.

Miss Mosgrove reported on the splendid success of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center.

Miss Rendall suggested the advisability of conducting girls' activities at the personage adjacent to the Hayes Valley Recreation Center if the necessary rental and equipment expense is approved by the representatives of the Adolph Rosenberg Fund. The Playground Commission favors the plan.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. F. Liddament is still actively endeavoring to obtain the tools and equipment in the county jail in Salmon Park for baseball diamonds.

Mr. Pack reported that the fence [illegible] the unemployed are still working and have performed a considerable amount of excavating and grading.

Mr. Pack also reported that he met with Mr. Riley, and Mr. McKeran, and it was decided to remove one tree and to trim several at the Sargent-Haywood Playground in order to improve radio transmission at the Central Fire Alarm Station.

Mr. Martin J. Mooney, Superintendent of Public Buildings, informed this department that the installation of lights, pilasters and the painting of the playground offices must be postponed because there are no funds at this time.

Miss Rendall reported that this department is cooperating with Mrs. Emily Noble of the University of California in the field work for students specializing in recreation, and that Miss Alice Hagler will receive her practice playground experience at Portola Playground.

The Superintendent informed the Commission they have been invited to attend the dedication of the Lux Demonstration Playground under the jurisdiction of the Lux School, Wednesday, January 28th, 1931, at 3:45 P.M. Miss Mosgrove will represent the Commission.

Miss Rendall reported that Mr. Jessee Reuben will be in San Francisco next week to go over recreation matters.

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The Superintendent further reported that in addition to the University groups visiting the playgrounds, the Dominican College students registered in the Child Welfare Department are planning to conduct semi-annual visits.

Bills and current expenses on Demands Nos. 59, 60, 61, 62, 63 amounting to $22,535.53 were approved for payment. Ayes: Alicia Mosgrove, Constant Auger.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Veda B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco; February 4, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day, at the hour of 2 P. M., with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Constand J. Auger,
John McLaren,
William M. Leahy,

Absent: Ira W. Coburn,
George Hearst.

The President expressed the pleasure of the Commission in welcoming Mr. Wm. M. Leahy as the new Commissioner. He responded that it was both a pleasure and a privilege to be a member of this Commission, and he hopes to efficiently carry out His responsibility.

The following reorganization of Committees was unanimously approved by the Commission:

FINANCE: Constant J. Auger, Chairman,
Ira W. Coburn,
George Hearst.

PLAY: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Chairman,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Constant J. Auger.

CAMP: Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Chairman,
Constant J. Auger,
William M. Leahy,

[illegible]: John McLaren, Chairman,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Alicia Mosgrove,
William M. Leahy.

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The minutes of the meetings on January 7th and 21st were, on motions regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Communications

A communication was received from [illegible] Gateway of Del Connecticut Street, requesting permission for the Public Recreation Dramatic Comedy to practice at Jackson Playground on Friday evenings.

The communication was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Playground Bill [illegible] the Commission prefers to [illegible] at Jackson Playground, and therefore, the meeting would be too disturbing [illegible] in the building.

A communication was received from Grant Fletcher, Chief Diary Safety Council Production Association, [illegible] the Commission's Annual Resolution as forwarded to the Association [illegible] of cooperation requesting that the opening Field Day [illegible] site, as the [illegible], it was moved over to the Playground Commission. [illegible] Field.

Mrs. Stern [illegible] communication from Commissioner Coburn, [illegible] Irving, [illegible] Improvement, [illegible] Council [illegible], [illegible] a resolution co[illegible]ard of Supervisors, [illegible] Field, [illegible] Mr. Mandell, [illegible] report back to the Commission.

The Commission agreed [illegible] Superintendent to [illegible] the proposition number of children [illegible] Field [illegible] Field during the Summer, [illegible] Summer Schools and Playground Directors.

The Superintendent [illegible] Board of Supervisors, [illegible] Board of Supervisors, informed [illegible] locked at night [illegible] fenced to [illegible] that the Playground Commission [illegible] not [illegible].

[illegible] Park Commission, [illegible], and [illegible] number of [illegible] recreational needs [illegible].

Mr. Stern presented a [illegible] Playground Commission [illegible] Grant Council [illegible] Community Chest [illegible].

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These men were employed on Potrero Hill, St. Mary's and Ocean View Playgrounds. The value of the work to the Playground Commission is estimated at $12,000.00.

The Commission has expended $2,975.44 for tools and equipment for these men from Playground Department funds. Mr. Clyde Healy has given his assurance that this amount will be returned to us from Bond Issue funds.

In addition to the above mentioned work, small crews of these men have worked in the salvaging of James Lick playground equipment, the clearing of Funston Annex, and the grading of the area in front of the Julius Kahn Field House. In addition, a rock wall was erected at Aptos Playground, which eliminates the expense of a concrete curb.

The department rendered an estimate to Mr. Healy of the Citizens' Committee of $8,800, for the cost of providing equipment and material for 500 men for the next thirty days. Mr. Healy approved the estimate.

It is this department's plan to continue the hand grading on Potrero Hill, Ocean View and St. Marys, and to set a small force of approximately fifteen of these men for unclassified labor and rehabilitation of present areas, if the $5,000,000 bond issue carries on February 17th.

The Commission unanimously approved including the following work in next month's budget:

Paving, and repair of paving at Margaret A. Hayward playground;
Surfacing and layout of Douglass Playground;
Surfacing at Miller Playground;
Surfacing at Sunset Playground.

The Superintendent was authorized to provide a shower room at Jackson Playground if, in the opinion, it is deemed advisable.

A letter was received from Mrs. M. C. Wright, requesting the use of the Recreation Center Building in Noonan Tract for this department as a meeting place. The Commission directed that the request be granted.

The Secretary was instructed that an estimate be received for the reprinting of 10,000 copies of a small booklet describing the Playground Department and its activities.

The Superintendent was instructed to secure estimates for the construction of a playground wall, to be designed by Mr. Miller and approved by the Playground Commission.

Mr. [illegible], accompanied by Mr. Auger, and Miss [illegible], representing the Telegraph Hill Improvement Club, appeared before the Commission requesting the following, namely, [illegible], [illegible], [illegible],

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On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Leahy, and unanimously carried, the following work was authorized:

Installation of tennis courts at Richmond Playground #2

.....	$7500.00
Paving Ocean View Playground.....	3500.00
Completion of Bay View Playground.....	4000.00
Repaving Margaret S. Hayward Courts.....	1800.00
Moving small building from Portola to Glen Park, and plumbing expense.....	300.00
Lighting at Portola Playground.....	500.00
Wiring at Southside Shop.....	90.00
Engineering Supplies.....	75.00
Contingencies.....	3000.00
	$20,765.00

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Auger.

The Commission is unanimously in favor of condemning the block opposite the Visitacion Valley School for playground purposes if satisfactory arrangements to purchase can be made. The Superintendent was asked to take up the matter with Mr. Phillips.

Mrs. Stern reported she had spoken to the San Francisco Garden Club regarding cooperation from them in promoting Gardening on the San Francisco Playgrounds. Mr. Leahy, Chairman of the Committee on Gardening will call on Mr. McLaren regarding gardening activities.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. G. C. Turner, former Superintendent of the Boys' Aid inquired if this department is interested in developing a recreation center similar to the Hayes Valley in the building formerly used by the Boys' Aid on Baker Street. The Chairman will investigate the matter further.

The Commissioners were unanimous in their decision to have Gardner A. Dailey make a layout plan for Ocean View Playground.

Mrs. Stern reported on the progress of the Junior Symphony plans.

Mr. Leahy informed the Commission he will communicate with the Portland Symphony Association regarding the manner in which their organization is conducted and financed.

Miss Randall was authorized to appoint a Director-at-large for the Visitacion Valley District, if it seems advisable, and to make arrangements to accept Miss Friedman's offer to use the Visitacion Valley Center two nights a week.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the establishment and furnishing of a handicraft room at Portola Playground which will cost approximately $350.00.

In discussing the Annual Report, Miss Mosgrove suggested that a Theory of Play derived from actual experience on the San Francisco Playgrounds, together with what this department wants to achieve, be written. She was authorized to prepare the information.

The Superintendent presented two State Recreation Bills, Nos. 468 and 725 respectively which "Encourage Public Recreation and Thereby Prevent Juvenile Delinquency". The Commission unanimously approved both bills.

Mrs. Stern reported she called on Mr. Doyle and was informed that in Mr. O. K. Cushing's opinion it will be possible to transfer the money left in Mr. Phelan's will for China Cove to the State Park Commission.

The Commission decided in place of formal dedications at the Hayes Valley Recreation Center and Portola Playground to have large open house programs.

The Commission approved interesting Mr. Daniel Evans, an attorney and member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, in some of the legal questions of the Playground Department.

It was suggested that professional musical programs be presented at the Portola Field House and that admission be charged. This will give the neighborhood people an opportunity to enjoy cultural programs. No action was taken on the matter.

The Superintendent called the Commission's attention to the many requests received by the Mayor's Office asking that the Jail Property be transferred to this department for baseball diamonds.

The Head Issue Payroll of Feb. 14th amounting to $9,406.04 and Demands Nos. 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 and 75 amounting to $12,634.29 were, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:45 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 4, 1931

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. William Leahy.

Absent: Mr. Ira Coburn;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S.

The minutes of the meeting of February 18th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. Joseph P. Osterloh, President, East and West of Castro Improvement Club, thanking the Commission for the recent improvements that have been made at the Douglass Playground. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. H.C. Rothwell requesting the Commission to establish a playground at Page and Baker Streets on the site of the former Crocker Junior High School. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Commission is investigating the possibility of receiving permission from the Park Commission to use a portion of Buena Vista Park for playground purposes.

Two letters addressed to Mrs. Stern were received regarding The Boys' Aid. One was from John A. McGregor and the other from Dr. Langley Porter. Mrs. Stern reported she is still working on the matter, and plans to take ~~these~~ gentlemen to visit the playground centers. The letters were ordered filed.

Mrs. Stern presented a letter she had received from Major-General Malin Craig regarding this department's request to enlarge the Julius Kahn Playground. The Commission advised sending the letter direct to Congresswoman Florence P. Kahn for more favorable consideration.

Mr. J.J.Phillips presented a resolution for the auction of houses purchased for the Ocean View Playground. The resolution was unanimously passed on a motion regularly moved and carried.

Mr. Kimball reported on the advisability of conducting a Circus Program on several of the playgrounds this summer. He was instructed to present the estimated cost of this activity to the Commissioners.

He further reported that on Saturday morning, March 7th, "Bill" Ingrim, football coach at the University of California, will present the basketball awards in the City Hall Rotunda to the boys who won in the recent playground tournament.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously passed the following resolution:

IN APPRECIATION FOR THE WORK PERFORMED
AT THE HAYES VALLEY RECREATION CENTER
BY THE ADMINISTRATORS OF THE ADOLPH
ROSENBERG FUND.

WHEREAS the Chief of Police informed the Playground Commission that over a period of many years, the greatest number of police and juvenile court cases in any one locality in San Francisco have been recorded from the Hayes Valley District; and

WHEREAS the Playground Commission firmly believing in the benefits to be derived from wholesome recreation, decided to have a survey made in the summer of 1930, and from said study the existing recreational facilities were found to be very inadequate, and it was decided to renovate the unused Wesley Methodist Church Building, located at Hayes and Buchanan Streets, and utilize it for recreation purposes for the children of the neighborhood,

WHEREAS funds were not available from the Playground Commission budget to carry out this worthy cause, the administrators of The Adolph Rosenberg Fund were apprised of the situation and kindly consented to meet all rehabilitation

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and furnishing expenses, as well as the monthly rental.

WHEREAS the Hayes Valley Recreation Center has become a reality and is of inestimable value to the neighborhood,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Playground Commission, in regular session this day, March 4, 1931, express to the administrators of The Adolph Rosenberg Fund, i.e., Max L. Rosenberg, Trustee, and Miss E. Oppenheimer, their profound appreciation for their philanthropic spirit, untiring efforts and their most commendable work.

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be duly signed by the members of the Playground Commission, and that it be spread on the minutes of this Commission, and that a copy be sent to the administrators of The Adolph Rosenberg Fund.

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Mr. Pack reported that all the construction work authorized at the last Commission meeting is under way;

The grading work at the Aptos site is still under way, and Mr. Dailey is working on the layout of the ground;

600 of the unemployed are working for the department this week;

Mr. King of the Board of Public Works informed Mr. Pack that whenever ~~stones~~ ~~heavy stones~~ from the streets of San Francisco are available, this department may haul them away at its own expense;

The estimates for the installation of lighting facilities at the Julius Kahn Playground will cost $205 and $1591 respectively. No action was taken.

Mr. Leahy reported he and Mrs. Stern visited with representatives of the San Francisco Garden Club, and they asked for specific details regarding the cooperation this department wants to receive from them. Mrs. Stern stated a plan is under way to have them visit the playgrounds in order to become familiar with our problem.

Mr. Pack reported that the best site for a nursery for shrubs and trees would be one of the school lots 150' x 240' in size. The cost of laying out a satisfactory nursery would be in the vicinity of $1600.00. No action was taken.

The Grounds Committee reported they investigated the possibility of using the former Le Conte School property, but do not recommend its use. The Commission discussed the possibility of using the Bernal Park which is 121' x 176' for playground purposes instead. No recommendation was made.

Mr. Pack reported it will cost approximately $12,000 to develop the reservoir site at Bay and Larkin Streets. The Superintendent was authorized to communicate with Mr. Nelson A. Eckart and request the transfer of the property to the Playground Commission for playground use until such time as the Water Department has occasion to use it.

Mr. F.H. Somers, Assistant to the City Right-of-way Agent, reported that the block bounded by Delta, Cora, Leland and Visitacion Streets in the Visitacion Valley District is being purchased for a playground and all payments for this property will be made next fiscal year. The cost of this block of land will be approximately $25,200. The Commission on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, approved the purchase.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. McIlwaine has left the department to enter the field of aviation. The Commission approved the suggestion of having Mr. Gilbert Neigle edit the Annual Report, provided the cost is satisfactory to Mr. Auger, Chairman Finance Committee.

The Commission approved Mr. Dailey's plan for establishing two levels in laying out the Ocean View Playground.

Mrs. Stern stated she will see Mr. Dailey regarding the cost for drawing up plans for the various playground sites.

Miss Randall reported that at the last meeting of the Coordination Committee they advised having a Director-at-large for the district bounded by 16th, Army, Mission and Carolina Streets. The Commission authorized Miss Randall, on motion of Miss Mosgrove seconded by Mr. Auger and unanimously carried, to appoint a director-at-large for this district. It was suggested that if possible the Everett Junior High School and the Jackson Playground be used for evening activities for the groups organized in this district.

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The Camp Committee decided to hold a meeting on Monday, March 9th at 4 P.M. in the Playground Office.

The Superintendent reported that the people living in the neighborhood of Rochambeau Playground are concerned with the young men frequenting the playground. The Chief of Police has assured the department that he is adequately policing the neighborhood.

Mrs. Stern reported that Helen Wills Moody has consented to play in an exhibition tennis match at one of the playgrounds on a Saturday afternoon in the near future.

The Commission decided to hold the dedication of the Portola Playground on March 14th at 8 P.M.

Mrs. Stern reported that several artists have consented to appear on a program to be held at Portola some Saturday evening after the dedication. Admission will be charged for this program.

The Chairman reported on the progress of the Junior Symphony plans.

Demands Nos. 76, 77, 78, 79, 80 and 81 amounting to $15 822.30 were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger and Mr. Leahy.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Vedar [illegible]
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

March 9, 1931

CAMP COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Camp Committee was held this day at 4 p.m. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Alicia Mosgrove,
Wm. Leahy.

Absent: Constant J. Auger.

The Camp Manager reported that last year this department's operating surplus for the San Francisco Municipal Camp was approximately $8,000.

It is necessary to make investments at Camp each year. The major expenses for the 1931 season are estimated as follows:

Truck "Mack"	Cost.	$ 3 500.00
Kitchen addition	"	300.00
Water line, 4",	"	210.00
Cots (50)	"	250.00
Mattresses	"	250.00
Stools	"	225.00
PingPong tables (6)	"	90.00
Handball Courts (2)	"	175.00
Baseball Field, grading.		70.00
Croquet Grounds, preparing for grass . . .		30.00
Cattle Guards and Gates.		600.00
		$ 5 700.00
Curtains (Ordered for new cabins).		100.00
		$ 5 800.00
Less truck allocation cost to S.F. Dept.		1 800.00
		$ 4 000.00

The Committee unanimously recommended the approval of the expenditures.

Mr. Center stated permission has been received to install the cattle guards and Mr. L.T.McAfee of the Hetch Hetchy Department stated there is the possibility of that department bearing one-half the cost.

The fire hazard at camp is very slight because of the excellent water pressure available and also since all brush has been cleared from around the buildings at Luther.

All camp publicity is being written and assembled at this time. Registrations will be taken commencing May 1st.

The Committee approved hiring a bookkeeper for the handling of all camp records at a salary of approximately $125.00 a month, during the summer. Mr. A.L.McElvaney has been suggested for the position.

The Committee, acting upon the Camp Manager's recommendation, decided to discontinue the practice of renting blankets.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 18, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. William H. Leahy
Mr. John Mclaren.

ABSENT: Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of March 4th, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Corresponding Secretary of the Glen Park P. T. A. requesting the Commission to supervise play in the Glen Park Schoolyard. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Playground Commission recommends that the Parent Teachers urge the children to go to the Glen Park Playground instead, because of its close proximity to the school.

A letter was received from the Chief of Police stating he is having the existing conditions at the Julius Kahn Playground investigated by the commanding police officer in that district. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Secretary of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club urging the Commission to erect additional bleachers at the Funston Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission cannot consider their request at this time because of lack of funds.

A letter was received from the Mayor's Office enclosing a request from Mr. Edward G. White of 1909-50th St., Sacramento, that the Commission consider the establishment of a camp for children in Mendocino County. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Playground Commission is not in a positionto open a new camp at this time.

Mr. Lester F. Secor, Toparch of the San Francisco Scioto, and Mr. Baker of Gentry Brothers Circus, asked the Playground Commission for permission to hold a Dog and Pony Show at the Funston Annex, for the purpose of raising money for their charitable fund which takes care of undernourished children. The Commission assured Mr. Secor if he can secure the approval of the people residing in the vicinity of the Funston Annex, they would have no objection to the show. Mr. Secor was instructed to inform Miss Randall of his findings.

Mr. Kimbell reported on the circus plans for the Playground Department as follows: A used tent seating capacity for 500 can be procured for $600 from J. L. Stuart Mfg. Co. The approximate cost of staging the circus on five playgrounds would be $1020.00. The Commission asked that additional information regarding tents be procured and if it is possible to rent the tent for this season, at a reasonable rate, Mr. Kimbell was authorized to proceed with its program.

Mr. Leahy reported he got in touch with Mr. Mclaren regarding the use of the lower western section of Buena Vista Park, 130' x 240' in size, for a small children's playground. Miss Randall and Mr. Pack were asked to make a plan for this area and Mr. Leahy will take up the matter again with Mr. Mclaren.

Mrs. Stern reported on the Junior Symphony plans. She stated that Mr. Issay Dobrowen recommended Mr. Jascha Viasai, an exceptionally talented and noted Russian violinist to take charge of the Junior Symphony group. Mr. Viasai called upon the Commission assuring them of his enthusiasm and interest in the plans. The Commission was pleased to learn that the first meeting will be held in Mrs. Stern's home after which time this activity will be held regularly at one of the playgrounds.

Mrs. Stern reported that Congresswoman Kahn would like to visit the Julius Kahn Playground before taking up the enlargement of the playground with Major-General Malin Craig. Mr. Pack was authorized to go over the property with Mrs. Kahn.

Miss Mosgrove presented the Camp Committee's Report for the Commission's approval. Mr. Center explained the report in detail. On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Auger, the report was unanimously approved, and the following expenditures authorized:

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Major Expenditures for 1931 Season.

Truck "Mack" cost		$ 3 500.
Kitchen addition, cost		300.
Water line, 4"	"	210.
Cots (50)	"	250.
Mattresses	"	250.
Stools	"	225.
Ping Pong Tables (6)	"	90.
Handball courts (2)	"	175.
Baseball field, grading		70.
Croquet grounds, preparing for grass		30.
Cattle guards and gates		600.
		$ 5 700.
Curtains (Ordered for new cabins)		100.
		5 800.
Truck allocation cost to S.F. dept.		1 200.
		$ 4 600.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Leahy.

The Superintendent reported that the Mission Viaduct Terrace Improvement Club is requesting the establishment of a playground at Springdale and Xavier Avenues. The Grounds Committee decided to investigate this request.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Herman Nelson is opening up a new tract of land near Sloat Boulevard and suggested that provision be made for setting aside a playground area. The Commission recommended that a letter be sent to the S. F. Real Estate Board requesting them to set aside playground areas in each new subdivision.

The Grounds Committee decided to visit school lots in the Sunset District to determine which ones this Commission would be interested in developing for playground purposes. It was also decided to select one of the vacant Fire Department lots and use it for storeroom purposes for the construction department.

The Grounds Committee reported they visited the City and County Jail property which covers thirteen acres. The Commission authorized sending a letter to the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor requesting that the entire property including land and buildings be turned over to this Commission whenever the Jail is abandoned. The Commission also plans to take up the matter with Supervisor McSheehy, Chairman of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Leahy, the Commission unanimously approved having Mr. Gardner A. Dailey draw up plans for the layout of new playgrounds, and the cost to the Commission will represent the actual time spent drafting the plans, the maximum charge being $150. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Leahy and Mr. McLaren.

Mrs. Stern reported that the S. F. Garden Club passed a resolution that they will gladly assist the Playground Commission in their gardening plans.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Weigle's charge for editing the annual playground report is $300.00. The Commission asked that Mr. Weigle confer with Mr. Auger, and if agreeable to him, Mr. Weigle is to perform this work.

The Superintendent reported that Milligen from the playground music department will broadcast after ..... on Saturday, March 21st at 1 P.M.

The same reported that a group of people has been actively engaged on the establishment of a park near the Ocean Beach and is requesting that it serve as a ..... Special. The Commission decided to look into the matter.

Mr. ... reported on the Unemployment Program as follows:

The Playground Department has been obliged to close down on all construction work because of lack of funds. There is not sufficient money left from the sale of bonds to meet the outstanding payroll of approximately $7000.00 therefore it is necessary that additional bonds be sold to meet this emergency. Of the funds set aside for playground development has been expended of which ... is represented in the payrolls. The mean value of the labor performed, ... approximately $09,868.

... stated that he will ... with the City Attorney regarding the need ... additional sale of bonds. The Commission also decided to ... Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors ... Unemployment program.

The ... report was, on motion regularly moved and carried, ... granting Miss Libertha Ivell a leave of ... to attend the Playground School in New York City, also the appointment of ... as the Director-at-large for the District bounded by 16th, ... streets, and the Superintendent also reported that it ... examination for playground directors in the near ...

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Demands Numbers 82, 83, 84, 85 and 86, amounting to $9,508.38, were, on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, unanimously approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Leahy and Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:50 P.M.

Vedar B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 1, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

PRESIDING: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Morrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. William H. Leahy.

ABSENT: Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn,
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of March 18, 1931, were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. H. A. Eckart stating the terms under which the Playground Commission may use the reservoir property at Bay, Hyde, Larkin and Francisco Streets. The Commission decided to send a copy of the letter to Mr. Frank Fischer of the Northern Federation of Civic Clubs which organization requested that a playground be developed there. The matter was held in abeyance.

A letter was received from J. Emmet Hayden, Chairman Finance Committee, Board of Supervisors regarding the reimbursement of Playground Department funds by the sale of $100,000 of unemployment bonds. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. C. A. Connell, the Secretary of the Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association stating a delegation will call to see the Commission and request a playground for their district. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Henry Chloff of the Recreation Council, Community Chest, asking Miss Josephine D. Randall to accept the Chairmanship of the Recreation Council. Letter ordered filed and the Superintendent to notify the writer that the Commission unanimously approves the appointment.

A letter was received asking that delegates be named to represent the Commission at the Recreation Council. The delegates selected are Miss Alicia Morrove, and Mr. William H. Leahy with Mr. Constant J. Auger as alternate. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform the Council of the Commission's choice.

A communication was received from Mr. H. H. Armstrong, Secretary, Parker Avenue Park Improvement Association requesting this department to [illegible] Golden Gate Park. Letter ordered sent to the Park Commission.

A letter was received from Major Rossi stating [illegible] requesting [illegible] property, to the Education Board and Playgrounds Committee for consideration. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. Belle Larsen, Secretary of the Forest [illegible] ment Club, 2271 Market Street, asking the Commission to establish a playground in the Forest Valley District. Letter ordered filed and the Superintendent to [illegible] when funds available for [illegible].

A letter was received from Edward T. Kite of [illegible], Indiana, asking the Commission to give further information [illegible] in San Francisco. Letter ordered filed, and the writer [illegible] to understand the operation of [illegible].

A letter was received from [illegible] ment Club inviting the Commission [illegible] April 1, 1931. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to thank Mr. Lucarini for the invitation.

REPRESENTATIVES

Two representatives [illegible] Improvement Club, Mr. Lalla Larsen, and Miss Alice Lumsden of 19 Monroe Drive, were received. The Commission [illegible] of a playground in Forest Valley. The Commission [illegible] to develop any additional playground at this time. Letter ordered filed.

Mr. William Leahy was appointed a committee of one [illegible] "Sacred Manor" regarding the possibility of getting [illegible] that real estate subdivision.

The Grounds Committee decided [illegible]

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Mr. Pack reported on the Unemployment Program as follows:

Work has been resumed on the three playground sites under construction, and 237 men are employed at this time.

The Commission authorized Mr. Pack to use his discretion regarding the number of men to employ on these three sites.

Mrs. Stern reported that Mr. C. K. Cushing plans to have the $50,000 set aside in Mr. James D. Phelan's will for this department turned over to the Playground Commission this summer. The Commission decided to further investigate the legal procedure necessary to insure the transfer of this money to apply on the purchase of China Cove.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Pack was authorized to spend $1,325.00 on a power lawn mower to replace the one lost in the Glen Park Playground fire. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Auger.

Mr. Pack was asked to inquire from Mr. McLaren what the charge would be to have the Park Commission take care of all the landscaping for this department.

Mr. Pack was asked to improve the condition of one of the baseball diamonds at Funston Playground.

The Commission investigated Mr. McLaren's suggestion to make a step in the slope on the Ocean Avenue side of the Aptos Playground Site. They decided to retain the present slope in order to avoid sacrificing valuable play area.

The Commission decided to hold the dedication of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center on Tuesday, April 14th at 8 P.M., and to send out printed invitations.

Miss Mosgrove presented a written statement for the Annual Playground Report representing the Playground Commission's views on the recreation program for San Francisco which was unanimously approved.

The Commission decided not to consider at this time Mr. O'Gara's or any other applicant's request to fill the vacancy left by Mr. McElwaine.

Mr. Auger reported that Mr. Weigle will edit the Annual Report for $300.00. The Commission unanimously approved this expenditure. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Leahy.

The Commission decided to hold three meetings on Wednesday, April 15th, as follows:

1:30 P.M. Grounds Committee
2:00 P.M. Budget Meeting
3:00 P.M. Play Committee

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Mark Joseph's authority as Director at the West Portal Playground was questioned by Mr. E. H. Sanders of the Shell Oil Company. Miss Randall was authorized to transfer Mr. Joseph if it proved advisable.

The Commission decided to make a tour of the San Francisco Play rounds on the afternoon of either April 16th or 17th and to invite the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors to accompany them.

The Superintendent reported that the Scouts are not going to hold a Dog and Pony Show as originally planned.

The Commission authorized receipt of a bid from the J. L. Stewart Mfg. Company at $800 with the understanding that this amount can be applied on the purchase of same at $900 if the department elects to buy it. If the Commission exercises the right they will be obliged to pay for the construction and forwarding of it.

The Superintendent reported that the Coordinating Committee recommended the limiting of Playground Areas in connection with the appointment of a Director-at-large for the district bounded by 16th, 22nd, Alabama and Carolina Streets. The Commission asked that an estimate be secured at the next meeting.

The Commission authorized Miss Randall and Mr. Mitchell to attend the Pacific Southwest Recreation Conference at San Jose April 9, 10, 11, and Miss Young and Mr. Pack and any other members of the executive staff desiring from time to time to attend those sessions of interest to them. Expenditure of $25.00 per person, requested by Mr. Auger, the Commission also authorized that the expenses for attendance at the conference be met from the Playground Maintenance Fund. Ayes: Mr. Stern, Mr. Auger, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy.

The Commission on motion duly made and carried, authorized the purchase of paper mats and tan shoes at five cents per pair, on the issuance of demands Nos. 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31, numbered 16, 16.17. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Auger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 5:00 P.M.

Edith B. Young
SECRETARY

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San Francisco, April 8, 1931.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

1;30 P.M. - 4 P.M.

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PLAY COMMITTEE

The hearing regarding Mr. Mark Joseph's authority at the West Portal Playground was held this day. Mr. E. H. Sanders of the Shell Oil Company who questioned Mr. Joseph's authority, and the two directors of the West Portal Playground, Mr. Mark Joseph and Mrs. J. Bravinder, were called before the Playground Commission.

After discussing the matter thoroughly, the Commission decided to act on the Superintendent's recommendation i.e., to transfer Mr. Joseph to another playground on trial with a reprimand that he control his temper.

BUDGET 1931-1932

The Commission unanimously passed on the Budget as listed below.

Personnel.....	$385,210.00
Non-Personnel.....	96,791.00
Improvements, Equipment	3,535.00
Bldgs. and Structures.	240,801.00
	$ 626,337.00

The budget includes the supervision of two additional schoolyards, i.e., Presidio Junior High School and Sunnyside, and the development of Potrero Hill, St. Mary's Park, Visitacion Valley and Aptos Playground Sites. The erection of buildings is also included for Glen Park Playground and the Ocean View Playground.

The Commission decided to include a statement to accompany the budget requests recommending that land be purchased in various sections of San Francisco where it is most needed.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE

Mrs. Stern reported that Mr. C. K. Cushing's Office is investigating the legal method, through the City Attorney's Office, whereby this department may arrange for the purchase of China Beach.

Mr. Phillips is to furnish an estimate of the value of the property at this time.

Mr. Herman presented a report to the committee which outlines the existing need for playgrounds in San Francisco. The report is as follows:

"This report represents an effort to place before the Grounds Committee certain facts and suggestions which will enable the Commission to form a board policy as to where the Commission will locate future playgrounds. At the present time there are definitely located seven districts that require playgrounds, in which there are no play facilities. These districts have been roughly bounded on the accompanying map and are as follows:

Western End of Park-Presidio, Western end of Park-Presidio
Sunset District, Lake Merced District, Forest Valley,
Castro-Army-Mission District, Hunter's Point District.

In the western end of the Park-Presidio District there is very little chance of acquiring property except at a high figure but it has been suggested that a portion of Golden Gate Park be placed under the supervision of the Playground Commission. In the eastern end of the Park-Presidio District there are two suggested possibilities for Playground sites, one a portion of which would be located in a placed adjacent to the Frank McCoppin School; the second would be located in a portion of Mountain Lake Park now under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission.

In the Sunset District there are two small sites in the eastern end of which contain school property not being used at the present time. In the North which contain school property not being used at the present time. In the North Center portion there are two sites rather small in area either one of which could be acquired at the present time without disturbing any homes. In the Western end of the Sunset District there are located three sites, two of which contain four blocks and one two blocks. These large areas are at the present time barren sand dunes.

Lake Merced District is a new subdivision located approximately between 19th and 28th Avenues and south of Sloat Boulevard. An effort should be made to obtain suitable playground areas in this subdivision before it is too far developed.

The Eureka Valley District is that section centering around 18th and Castro Streets, and extending northerly across Market Street to State Street. In this district which is highly congested no agreement as to possible playground sites has been reached. Corona Heights has been suggested.

In the Castro, Army, Mission section of the city a two blocks site has been suggested. Regardless of where a site is placed in this district, the cost of acquiring the land will be relatively high as this is a well established part of town.

The Hunter's Point District centralized about the Burnett School is the last district to be considered. The suggested site here is adjacent to the Burnett School. No detail figures are included in this report as a general policy is to be established prior to the details presenting individual sites. There are other districts in need of playgrounds but these mentioned are felt to be the most important ones."

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Leahy, the Commission decided to follow their policy of establishing playgrounds in San Francisco where they are most needed, whenever funds permit to purchase them, through condemnation proceedings if necessary.

Mr. Leahy reported that Mr. McLaren will take up the matter regarding the establishment of a supervised play area in Buena Vista Park with the Park Commission and has asked to be present when they hold their next meeting. The Commission decided to take up the question of supervising other park areas with the Park Commission at a later date.

Mrs. Stern reported that Mr. Daniel W. Evans has gratuitously rendered a written report on several matters of a legal nature concerning the Playground Commission and the new charter.

Vera B. Young
SECRETARY

San Francisco, April 15, 1931.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minor meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. William H. Leahy.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 1st were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Edward G. White of 1909-50th Street, Sacramento, urging the Commission to purchase a camp site. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Commission finds it impossible to undertake the purchase of another camp site at this time.

Mr. Leahy presented a letter received from Mr. John McLaren stating that he will take up the matter of establishing a playground in Buena Vista Park with his Commission at their next meeting. Mr. Leahy plans to follow up the matter.

DELEGATION

Mr. Douglas Kline of 14 Laidley Street, Secretary of the 29th and Castro Improvement Club and Mr. J. Mahoney of 519 Valley Street, a member of the playground committee of the Upper Noe Valley Improvement Club, called to see the Commission urging the establishment of a playground in their district. They also asked that a representative from the Commission talk before the Central Council of Improvement Clubs regarding a playground for the district. The Commission asked that a letter be forwarded to this department containing both requests.

Mr. Pack reported on the unemployment program as follows:

$31,670.36 has been expended from the Playground Funds to meet the last payrolls. There is approximately $72,000 remaining in the bond issue funds to be expended in grading playground sites.

The grading at Potrero Hill Playground can be completed with unemployed labor in two weeks' time providing satisfactory arrangements can be made with a Russian living in the neighborhood whose house is in the way of present operations on the site. The firm of Michael Riordan and Mullinan are representing the Russian's interest and this department has referred the matter to the City Attorney's Office.

At St. Mary's Park a temporary restraining order has been placed on the work, and a number of persons have been served notices to appear in court by Mr. Michael Riordan, because it is claimed blasting operations are responsible for certain damage to homes in the neighborhood. This matter is also in the City Attorney's hands.

Mr. Pack reported he called on John McLaren regarding the possibility of the Park Commission handling all landscaping for this department. The Commission decided to continue handling this work themselves. However, they decided to wait until the next Commission meeting before passing on the purchase of shrubs and plants needed at this time.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Pack was authorized by the Commission to secure fill from time to time at a reasonable cost for completing the lower section of St. Mary's Playground site.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Leahy, Mr. Pack was authorized to install lighting facilities at Balboa Playground for night use at an estimated cost of $700.00. Ayes: Mr. Leahy, Miss Mosgrove.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission adopted the plan for developing Aptos Playground, subject to the approval of Mrs. Stern and Mr. Auger.

A bill in the sum of $81.00 was received for the repair of the roof at the Hayes Valley Recreation Center. The Superintendent was asked to confer with Mr. Rosenberg regarding their lease with the Church Board.

Miss Mosgrove reported on the very successful dedication of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center, held on Tuesday, April 14th, at 8 P.M.

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Mr. Pack presented estimates for playground signs of eight gauge galvanized iron on wood for $66.10 and of 20 gauge iron for $51.10. Since it will not be possible to standardize these signs for all playgrounds the Commission decided to postpone the matter until a future meeting.

Mr. Leahy reported he is endeavoring to get in touch with Mr. Fernando Nelson regarding recreational development in "Merced Manor."

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the budget for 1931-1932 as follows:

Personnel.....	$285,210.00
Non-Personnel.....	96,791.00
Improvements-Equipment	3,535.00
Buildings and Structures	240,801.00
	$626,337.00

The Commission decided to send a letter of appreciation to each of the Freeholders thanking them for their thoughtfulness and consideration for including the Playground Commission's requests in the new Charter.

Miss Randall reported that Mr. Evans of Seattle visited the San Francisco playgrounds on his way to the Recreation Conference at San Jose and commended the Commission's work very highly. He was especially surprised at the wonderful cooperation existing between the Board of Education and this department.

Miss Randall reported on the success of the Western Division Recreation Conference held at San Jose, April 9, 10, 11th.

The Commission was invited to attend the Annual Folk Dance Festival at Portola Playground at 1:30 P.M. Saturday, April 18th.

The Superintendent reported that the Commission's Annual Report will be ready about May 1st.

The Commission decided to hold an examination for applicants for the position of playground director some time in the near future.

Resolutions for the purchase often parcels of land in the Visitacion Valley Playground site were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Leahy, approved for payment. The names and amounts are as follows:

Peter J. Crann	$2000.00	Susan Donohue	$1000.00
Charles A. Louis	4475.00	Laura Ruff	1000.00
Reinboldt Bothe	7800.00	Sarah Doherty	1500.00
S. F. Johnson	1500.00	William T. Jones	2475.00
John Wisnom	1500.00	Anthony J. Betz	1950.00
		GRAND TOTAL	$25,200.00

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy.

Demands Nos. 92, 93, 94, 95, 96 and 97 amounting to $8,907.30 were, on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. Leahy, Miss Mosgrove.

The Superintendent presented publicity that the Oakland Recreation Department is issuing regarding visiting their city's recreation facilities after the Olympic Games in 1932. The Commission suggested seeing the Chamber of Commerce and Californians Inc. regarding somewhat similar publicity for this department.

The Superintendent reported the Industrial Athletic and Retailers' Associations are constantly requesting basketball and tennis courts, and suggested that the Commission consider the establishment of an Industrial Center at Father Crowley Playground. The Commission decided to have these associations cooperate with them at the proper time to take action in this proposition.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Edda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 8, 1931.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alice Mosgrove;
Mr. Constant A. Auger;
Mr. Ira M. Coburn;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy;
Mr. George Hearst.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 13th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission unanimously decided to employ a Public Relations man for a three months' period at a salary of not more than $150.00 a month and to ascertain the time which he will devote to this work. The Commission further decided to reconsider the employment after the three months' period has elapsed.

The Commission authorized Mr. Pack to employ the proper help for Mr. Lambert in order that the necessary turfing and landscaping work can be efficiently performed on the playgrounds.

The Superintendent reported that the time of Assembly and Senate Interim for the State Legislative Will 1931, making it possible for the Playground Commission to assist the State in the purchase of Coit's Cove, has received the assent. If the bill passes, the State Park Commission's next action will be to make an appraisal value of the property. Mrs. Stern reported she is going to ask the Finance Committee and the Playground Commission in the Coit's Cove project.

Mr. Pack reported the [illegible] Playground funds [illegible] the Chairman and Secretary funds will soon be reimbursed.

Mr. Pack also reported on the [illegible]

Work has been performed [illegible] Portola, [illegible] Aptos Playgrounds, [illegible]

On motion of Mr. [illegible] the following [illegible]

[illegible]	$15,000.00
[illegible]	[illegible]
OCEAN VIEW [illegible]	10,000.00
PORTOLA [illegible]	[illegible]
APTOS [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]

Ayes: Mrs. [illegible]
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. [illegible]
Mr. [illegible]

Mr. [illegible]

Mr. McLaren [illegible]
of a responsible [illegible]

The Commission [illegible]
until 2:30 P.M.

The [illegible]
exclusively, use of [illegible]
Mr. [illegible], Secretary [illegible]
temporarily.

On motion of [illegible]
supervising the Lux School [illegible]
vacation.

The Superintendent reported [illegible]
Annual Food Show, and suggested [illegible]
providing a demonstration [illegible]
children. The Commission [illegible]

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Mrs. Stern and Miss Mosgrove requested a three months' leave of absence and authorized the Secretary to obtain the necessary permission to leave the State.

The Superintendent reported that twenty-two playground directors have not seen the San Francisco Mountain Camp. On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission authorized Miss Randall to make arrangements to have them visit camp over a week-end period, at the prevailing rates, and without loss of compensation.

The Commission decided that action on signs for the San Francisco Playgrounds be postponed indefinitely.

Bills and current expenses on Demands Numbers 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, and 105, amounting to $13,179.17 and Demand Number 106 for Bond Fund Reimbursement amounting to $76,573.07 were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved for payment.

Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. Ira W. Coburn
Mr. John McLaren

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4 P.M.

Edna B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 14, 1931.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at 3:30 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Sigmund Stern, 1998 Pacific Avenue, with Mrs. Stern presiding.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn,
Mr. C. J. Auger (See minutes of June 2 1931)

ABSENT: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. George Hearst

Mrs. Sigmund Stern informed the Commission that during Mr. Stern's life time, he and Mrs. Stern had intended to make a gift to the City of San Francisco. After he had passed away she set aside a trust fund of $50,000 to be called "The Sigmund Stern Recreation Fund."

Mrs. Stern offered to purchase a tract of land between 21st and 25th Avenue north of Sloat Boulevard. This land has been known as The Trocadero and is located directly opposite the new residence tract known as Merced Manor. The property could be used as a music bowl or music dell and for other activities of the playground and recreation department such as pageantry and out-of-door dramatics. The property offered by Mrs. Stern would include only the lower portion and for the proper development of this tract it would be necessary for the Commission to acquire the flat areas fronting on Sloat Boulevard and Wawona Street. These could be used for tennis courts, general play areas, and automobile parking spaces.

A 120 day option on the entire property is being held by Mr. J.J. Phillips. The bowl to be donated by Mrs. Stern comprises also a right of way from 19th Avenue. The other property suitable for parking and tennis courts would cost about $50,000. It was suggested that the building of Ocean View Field House be postponed in order that the necessary funds may be applied from the playground Commission's budget for this property. It will also be necessary to procure a lot from the Board of Education and a small lot from the Fire Department. These lots are located in the site under consideration.

After examining the plans drawn by Mr. Gardner A. Dailey, the following action was taken: On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coburn, the Commission decided to adjust the budget for the next fiscal year 1931 to 1932 to provide for the purchase of the property located at Sloat Boulevard, Wawona and 21st Avenues.

If the Playground Department is obliged to change its headquarters the Commission requests the use of Rooms 222, 225, 227 and 223. The Commission asked that a letter be sent to Supervisor Shannon specifying the request.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coburn, the Commission decided to employ Mr. Howard Hanvey to handle the publicity for the Playground Department.

An analysis of camp investment expenditures during the period of 1929-1930 was presented to the Commission by the Camp Manager. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coburn the Commission approved the expenditure of $9,531.00 as listed below:

Additional expenditures February 19, 1930:		
New lodge		$1,745.00
New washrooms		500.00
Remodeling cabins		575.00
New dining room furniture		359.40
New mattresses		85.00
New kitchen and dining room floor		124.35
		$3,388.75
3-17-30 Pillows	$ 161.25	
6-11-30 Blankets	125.00	
6- 30 Sound amplification	286.00	
11- 30 Ladder	14.00	
3-20-30 Refrigerator door	56.00	
8- 30 Refrigerator plant	2,500.00	
Work done fall 1929 and put through 1930		
Bill put through Jan. 22, 1930;		
Labor manufacturing shakes	$555.00	
Labor grading lake area	135.00	
Labor removing railroad	18.00	708.00
Bills put through Feb. 11, 1930;		
Labor grading lake area	112.50	
Labor removing railroad	203.00	
Labor removing railroad	77.00	
Expense plow points	11.02	
Expense truck Mather to S.F.	15.76	419.28
Work done Spring, 1930:		
Wrecking trestle, cleaning and		

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...reading lumber. . . .	$4451.00	
Freight on material for mile ground pool.	1335.00	
Cement.	98.00	
Sand and gravel	7.00	
Material for drainage.	118.35	
Hauling dumps.	127.00	$6134.35
Labor and material for laying approximately 1800 feet of irrigating lines for Lake area ..	561.30	
Labor building concrete walkway around pool. Including grading walkway and laying and taking up plank for 550 feet wooden for mixers.	125.00	
Labor placing 175 feet of culvert, finish work of grading, planting, seed and rolling Lake area. . .	451.80	1,138.10
		$ 7,272.45

Ayes: Mrs. Sturm, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Coburn and Mr. Auger.

On motion of Mr. Coburn seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously passed the resolution for the purchase of Mr. A. Ford's property, located in the Ocean View Playground for $5,000.00.

Ayes: Mrs. Sturm, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Coburn and Mr. Auger.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 5 P.M.

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San Francisco. June 3, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 3 P.M. with Mr. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. William H. Leahy,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of May 6th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

The Commission decided to postpone the approval of the minutes of the special meeting of May 14th until a future meeting. Mr. Auger asked not to be included among those present on May 14th since he arrived at the conclusion of the meeting.

The Secretary invited the Commission to see the Girls' Play Day at Funston Playground, Saturday, June 6th, in which 500 girls will participate.

The Superintendent recommended that the following expenditures be eliminated from the Playground Budget since it has been cut to $450,000 for 1931-32:

Potrero Hill Site.....	$ 23,542.00
St. Mary's Park.....	27,881.00
Glen Park Building.....	65,000.00
Glen Park Grading and Courts....	10,000.00
Ocean View Building.....	50,000.00
	$176,423.00

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Coburn, the revised budget was adopted. Ayes: William H. Leahy, Ira W. Coburn, Constant J. Auger.

The Superintendent recommended that the two playground Buicks be turned in at this time. The Commissioners asked Mr. Peck to investigate the turn in value and report to them immediately.

The Superintendent reported that a little boy nine years of age, while running after a ball was hit by a swing, on the Levi Strauss Playground, which may result in the child's death.

The Superintendent reported that 60 applicants took the playground director's examination and the papers are being corrected at the present time.

The Superintendent reported that the evening program in the Potrero Playground District is working out in a most satisfactory manner. The Juvenile Court authorities notified this office that during the last six weeks the cases have dropped off very materially.

The Ocean View Playground is at present under construction and the Superintendent recommended using Mr. Simpson to make a study of the cause of the great amount of juvenile delinquency in the North Beach District. The Commission approved the plan.

The Commission approved the plan to use [illegible] of the women registered by the Citizen's Unemployment Committee as possible, to assist the playground directors.

The Commission recommended having Miss Randall communicate with the Los Angeles Department regarding California Automobile Association signs calling attention to the location of Playgrounds.

Miss Randall reported the San Francisco Garden Club is requesting the Commission's cooperation in the formation of a garden club at the Funston Playground Annex. The cost of plants and the care of gardens is to be met by the members. The Commission approved the plan.

Mr. Peck reported that bids for the erection of fences and backstops on Aptos and Ocean View Playgrounds will be received on Monday, June 8th at 2:30 P.M. Mr. Auger and Mr. Leahy will endeavor to be present at that time.

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Mr. Pack reported on the progress of the work in the field. Work on St. Mary's site is being completed; five tennis courts have been completed at Richmond Playground #2; Tan bark has been placed on Levi Strauss Playground.

Current expenses on Demands Nos. 112, 113, 114, 115 and 116 amounting to $11,780.31 were on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Coburn, approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Edna B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 9, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at 2:15 P.M.

PRESENT: Constant J. Auger,
William Leahy.

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Alicia Mosgrove,
John McLaren,
Ira W. Coburn,
George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of June 3rd, 1931, were, on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconde by Mr. Auger, and carried, approved as read, subject to ratification at the next meeting of the Commission, when a quorum will be present.

Miss Randall presented a communication from Raymond Hoyt of Los Angeles in regard to the Automobile Club signs directing people to the Los Angeles Playgrounds. Miss Randall was asked to see if she could interest the San Francisco Automobile Association in such a project.

A communication was received from Mrs. Elsa S. Leon regarding the establishment of a gasoline station on the corner of Bay and Buchanan Streets, adjacent to the Funston Playground. The Commission agreed not to make a decision at present and to hold the matter in abeyance.

A communication was received from Mr. C. M. Wollenberg regarding the furnishing of lunches for the unemployed. Mr. Pack made the statement that this plan was quite satisfactory.

A petition was received from Mr. W. A. Daver of the district North of Bernal Park. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance, and requested Miss Randall to inform them that we would keep that district in mind for a future playground, but at the present time we have no funds because of the cut in our budget.

A request was received from the Portola Ramblers, a club of the Portola Playground, for a tackling dummy. It was recommended that this request not be granted.

A communication was received from Joseph Lee regarding the National Recreation Conference to be held at Toronto, Canada this year. The Commission agreed to wait until a future Commission meeting before deciding whether a representative should be sent from San Francisco.

Miss Randall reported that a number of the unemployed women have been helping Miss Proctor at the Dramatic Studio.

Miss Randall also reported that Camp is going along very nicely and there is a capacity attendance up to July 26th.

The President of the Los Angeles Commission and two other Commissioners are making a visit to the summer camps and hoped to include our Camp in their tour.

Miss Randall reported that the work in the Mission District is developing splendidly. The Folsom Playground is crowded with children every night. Mr. John Fitzgerald, director at large, is doing some very nice work, and reports from the juvenile court show that delinquent cases have dropped in this district since the work was started from nine to twenty-five calendar cases per week to no cases for the past three weeks.

Miss Randall reported that Mr. Linares has made an interesting study of the North Beach District and a copy of this report will be forwarded to each Commissioner at an early date.

Mr. Pack reported that a slight accident had happened during some blasting at St. Mary's Park resulting in some damage to Pacific Gas and Electric wires. The Pacific Gas and Electric Company sent a bill for these damages but inasmuch as Mr. Pack had notified them of the blasting to take place, we are not responsible for this occurrence. The Commission decided to take no action.

Mr. Pack also reported that the last piece of property had been cleared in the Visitacion Valley Site, and we are now waiting for Mr. Bailey's final plans.

Mr. Pack presented the former plans for the reorientation of the tennis courts on the Margaret S. Hayward Playground that had been approved with a recommended change. On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Auger, the new plans were accepted, and Mr. Pack was authorized to proceed with the work.

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Demands Nos. 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129 and 130 amounting to $26,675.50 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mr. Auger and Mr. Leahy.

Clifford Batkin
ACTING SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 5, 1931.

MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. in Room 76, City Hall, with Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

ABSENT: Mr. George Hearst,
Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave)
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy,
Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of July 8th were, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coburn, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Milliken C. Hauck, President Golden Gate Valley League, complimenting the Playground Commission on the splendid circus program at Funston Playground, July 21st. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. Mae Edwards stating the matter of the memorial drinking fountain at Lafayette S. Hayward Playground will be taken up by the Native Sons and Daughters Committee in the near future. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from The Shovel requesting a list of recreation workers in this department. Letter ordered filed, and the information will be forwarded to them.

The Secretary reported the Plan of [illegible] is now ready to present to the Playground Commission at the [illegible] James D. Phelan's will. The Commissioner asked the Secretary to inquire of the City Attorney what disposition is to be made of the fund, and if it is to be used for recreational purposes by this department.

Miss Dorothy Gerrabrant was [illegible] Commission requesting the department checks [illegible] seconded by Miss Mosgrove and carried, [illegible] thirty days at the Lincoln Park Shop at the present salary. [illegible] she will submit her resignation.

The J. C. Harrison [illegible] requested the Commission to [illegible] Playground. The Secretary [illegible]

The Commissioners [illegible] each district. [illegible]

The Superintendent reported [illegible] in Los Angeles [illegible] made Chairman.

The Superintendent [illegible] to the International Recreation Congress [illegible] year, in order to [illegible] to be held in Toronto [illegible] the Commission Secretary [illegible]

In discussing [illegible] National Recreation [illegible] would be [illegible]

The Superintendent reported [illegible] tion Committee [illegible] tions of the Police [illegible]

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Miss Mosgrove gave a report on her visit to Camp Mather. She recommended that this department take over the Hetch Hetchy auto camp, pipe hot water there, and make a small charge per automobile to cover operating expenses. She further recommended that no effort be made to increase the present capacity of camp for at least two years. She also mentioned the need for additional labor saving devices in the kitchen.

Mr. Kimball reported on the great success of the circus programs. Six were held and the expenses were approximately $1040.00. The receipts totaled $480.00. At every performance the tent was filled to capacity, and many were turned away. About one hundred and forty children participated in each circus program. On the Friday prior to each circus, a big parade was held in the business district near the playground. Mr. Kimball believes the circus expenses can be reduced to $600.00 next year due to the fact that the tent was purchased this year.

Mr. Pack reported on camp as follows: The water situation is serious. In case of fire, the camp is in a helpless condition. Mr. Pack will submit figures on the cost of remedying this condition.

The Commission approved Mr. Pack's recommendation that approximately $50.00 be spent in oiling the road and parking area at Camp. They also approved the purchase of a stock of crushed rock from Mr. Raisch, the road contractor at Mather, to be used for repairs and improvements around Camp.

Mr. Pack emphasized the need for a suitable storeroom yard for the Construction Department. Property belonging to the Board of Education, located at 17th and York Streets, would be an ideal location. The Commission decided to officially ask the Board of Education for the use of this property.

Mr. Pack stated all playground properties throughout the entire department are being improved, including landscaping.

The rough grading work at Margaret S. Hayward Playground is nearing completion.

Gardner M. Dailey's complete plan of Aptos Playground will be submitted at the next meeting.

The Commission approved the erection of a small building on the Aptos Playground to be used on Saturdays and Sundays, in order not to use the school building on those days.

The Commission approved the purchase of a $100 line marker machine. Ayes: Alicia Mosgrove, Constant J. Auger, Ira M. Coburn.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Ida B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 19, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Constant J. Auger,
William M. Leahy

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave)
Alicia Mosgrove
George Hearst
John McLaren
Ira M. Coburn

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of August 5th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS AND RESOLUTION

A communication was received from Sachse and Cranston relative to the J. P. Phelan bequest check in the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00). The Secretary reported that on August 18th she deposited the check with the City Treasurer. Thereupon, the Playground Commission unanimously passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED that the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco accept from the executors of the last will and testament of James D. Phelan, deceased, the legacy of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) bequeathed to the Playground Commissioners of the City and County of San Francisco to aid in the purchase of Seal Cove for a recreation center, and if sufficient additional funds to purchase said Seal Cove cannot be made available from other sources within five years from the date hereof, the said sum shall be applied by the Playground Commission of the City and County of San Francisco to encourage healthful sports for San Francisco children.

AND IT WAS FURTHER RESOLVED that the said sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) be deposited with the Treasurer of the City and County of San Francisco, and the said Treasurer be directed to hold said funds for the purpose for which same is accepted, and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to said Treasurer.

A letter was received from [illegible] requesting state aid in securing Parks and Beaches Association which [illegible] used [illegible] in securing the necessary funds for park [illegible]. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. J. Reid [illegible] commending the Commission on the excellent management and operation of Camp Mather. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. [illegible] requesting the Playground Commission memorial Committee suggesting a contest to [illegible] Hayward Playground. Letter on file, and City Librarian instructed to advise that the Commission approves the suggestion.

The Secretary reported that the Junior Civic Symphony is practicing very satisfactorily, and [illegible] for presenting [illegible] week.

The Board of Education has granted permission to this department to use the school property located [illegible] for a storeroom yard. Mr. Pack [illegible] at a future Commission meeting.

The Secretary reported on the success of the recent [illegible] Tennis Meets, and this department's cooperation with the [illegible] for Harbor Day.

Mr. Pack reported he is awaiting information from Mr. [illegible] furnishing a definite estimate on the [illegible].

The Commission decided to consider Mr. Raisch's [illegible] at Aptos Playground at the next meeting.

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Mr. Pack stated he is making a study of the water situation on the San Francisco Playgrounds.

He also stated the Associated Charities have furnished between thirty and sixty unemployed men each week to work on the playgrounds.

On motion regularly moved and carried, demands numbers 12, 13, 14 and 15 amounting to $5,292.53 were approved and ordered paid.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Edna B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 3, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Musgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. George Hearst,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn,
Mr. John McLaren.

ABSENT: Mr. William H. Leahy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of August 19th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

The minutes of the minority meetings of June 3rd, July 8th and August 5th were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Board of Education stating this department may have the use of the school property in Block X-1 with frontages on York and Hampshire Streets until such time as the Board of Education needs the land for school or other purposes. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Frank F. Carroll of 111 Sutter Street requesting the Playground Commission to grant his client the privilege of using a portion of that Board of Education property now in use by this Commission, which is located at Bay and Fillmore Streets. He wishes to use this property for golf driving. The Commission, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Musgrove, approved this request provided it is the desire of the Board of Education to grant it, and provided there is no objection from the neighborhood, and no expense involved to this department in changing the location of the present equipment. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply to Mr. Carroll, and to inform the Board of Education of the Commission's action.

A letter was received from Mrs. Elsa S. Leon, Secretary, Marina District Property Owners' Association expressing disapproval of the establishment of golf driving at Chestnut and Fillmore Streets. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent to inform Mrs. Leon of the Commission's action.

A letter was received from Mr. William [illegible] Osterloh of the East and West of Castro Improvement Club requesting improvements at Douglass Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Commission decided to meet with Mr. Osterloh and his committee on the playground, at which time the plan for the development can be explained.

A letter was received from Mr. J. J. Neilon stating [illegible] appraisal on Seina Cove is $140,000.00. Letter ordered filed. Mr. Neilon stated the State Park Commission's appraisal is $[illegible]. Mrs. Stern instructed she will see the Governor with regard to the Seina Cove site.

A letter was received from the East and Improvement Association requesting the establishment of a playground on the school lot located at 28th, 29th, Cabrillo and Fulton Streets. Mr. George [illegible], and Mr. Ole [illegible] appeared before the Commission in regard to the [illegible]. Letter ordered filed, and they were assured the Commission is [illegible] there in the future, but is not in a financial position to consider it this year. The Grounds Committee decided to visit the property and report as to its desirability.

A letter was received from Miss Elsie V. [illegible] requesting an extension of her leave of absence until [illegible]. The Commission decided to grant the request.

The City Treasurer, Mr. [illegible], asked to see the Commission regarding the James [illegible] account, stating he [illegible] interest will be earned on the account, [illegible] Commission. He called the Commission's attention to the fact that [illegible] 2½% interest if the money is kept in the bank for one year, [illegible] the possibility of more active short term [illegible] the money on call at the interest for the present.

In discussing the possibilities of [illegible], the Commission decided to hold a special meeting for this purpose on Tuesday, September 8th at [illegible].

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The Commission, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and carried, decided to send a letter to Cushing and Cushing thanking the Phelan Estate for the receipt of $50,000 to be used by the Playground Commission.

The Commission, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved the purchase of a circus tent, less rental expense, in the sum of $352.15. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. Constant Auger, Mr. George Hearst, Mr. Ira Coburn and Mr. John McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to employ Mr. W. L. McElvaney to fill Miss Dorothy Schnabel's position at the rate of $160.00 a month.

The Commission, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Hearst decided to employ Mr. Victor Lichtenstein as leader of the orchestra for the Fall Festival. Mr. Lichtenstein has been director of the orchestra for the Fall Festival for the past three years and is now well acquainted with the work desired.

Miss Kendall reported that Mr. Edward Regan had been let out from this department. She explained the matter to the entire satisfaction of the Playground Commission, and forwarded a letter to the Mayor's Office regarding his employment.

The Superintendent informed the Commission that the Grand Jury will visit the playgrounds, Thursday, September 10th at 2 P.M.

The Superintendent reported the Mayes Valley Recreation Center boys are in need of basketball suits. Mrs. Stern stated she will endeavor to do something for them.

The Commission decided to ask Mr. Gardner Bailey to design a large sign for Kezar Stadium.

The Superintendent reported that there are now seven students from the State Teachers' College and eight from the Lux School working on the playgrounds for training and receiving school credit for their work.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Charles Vanoncini and Miss Phyllis Fogarty have been appointed Directors at Michaelangelo Playground and their work is very satisfactory to date.

Mrs. Stern decided to visit the Julius Kahn Playground, and the President of Committee, with Mr. Pack, regarding the improvement of the grounds.

Demands Nos. 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 amounting to $16,10[illegible].81 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as presented. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger, Mr. Hearst, Mr. Coburn and Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Edna Young
Secretary

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September 8, 1931

S P E C I A L M E E T I N G

A special meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M., for the purpose of discussing the Trocadero property. Mrs. Sigmund Stern presided.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy,
Mr. George Hearst,

Absent: Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

Mrs. Sigmund Stern stated that as trustee of "The Sigmund Stern Recreation Fund" she would shortly offer to convey to the City a parcel of the property known as the Trocadero property in this city, and that at the next meeting of the Commission theformal offer would be presented.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Leahy, the Commission unanimously passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED that it is the intention of the Playground Commission to purchase lot 2 in block 2521 and lot 1 in block 2490. The blocks hereinabove referred to are the blocks designated on the current maps and books of the Assessor of the City and County of San Francisco, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Right-of-way Agent of the City and County of San Francisco is hereby authorized to enter into negotiations with the Boulevard Realty Company for the purchase of the parcels hereinabove mentioned, said purchase to be over a period of three years commencing November 1, 1932.

Mr. Pack presented estimates for thedevelopment of the property, as follows:

No. 1 - Minimum cost improvement of lower area, for immediate use.	$ 1 988.00
No. 2 - Maximum cost improvement of lower area, (not including estimate No. 1) . .	34 437.00
No. 3 - Playground Area on upper levels	27 144.00

Action will be taken on these estimates at a future meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Edna Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 16, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy;
Mr. John McLaren;

Absent: Mr. George Hearst;
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of September 3rd were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved as read.

The minutes of the Special Meeting of September 8th were on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A copy of the offer to deed certain lands, addressed to Honorable Angelo J. Rossi, by Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Trustee of "The Sigmund Stern Recreational Fund", was presented to the Commission. It is as follows:

"September 16, 1931.

Honorable Angelo J. Rossi,
Mayor of San Francisco,
City Hall,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

The undersigned, on behalf of the Trustees of "The Sigmund Stern Recreational Fund", does hereby offer to make a gift to the City of San Francisco of that certain land in this City known and described as follows:

Lots 1 and 3 in block 2493, lot 2 in block 2528 and lot 6 in block 2521 and lot 1 in block 2491, and lot 1 in block 2492, as per the current maps and books of the Assessor of the City and County of San Francisco.

together with a perpetual right-of-way from said property to 19th Avenue, subject to the following conditions:

1. The land shall be used solely and exclusively for recreational purposes.
2. The land shall be under the jurisdiction and control of the Playground Commission of San Francisco.
3. In case the land shall ever cease to be used for recreational activities, then and in that case the land shall revert back to "The Sigmund Stern Recreational Fund."

The deed conveying the land to the City shall be made upon the foregoing express conditions.

Without placing any limitations other than the foregoing, upon the use of the land to be given to the City, the following requests are made:

1. That the recreational activities to be conducted on the land should include music, dramatics and pageantry.

2. The present trustees of "The Sigmund Stern Recreational Fund" are all deeply interested in recreational activities and provision is made for the self-perpetuation of the five trustees who constitute the trustees of the Fund. In view of the foregoing, the request is made that the Playground Commission shall consult with the Trustees of the Fund concerning the general scope and character of the recreational activities to be conducted on the property.

Very truly yours,
(Signed) Rosalie M. Stern
Trustee of "The Sigmund Stern Recreational Fund"

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously received the gift, and commended Mrs. Stern on her very generous offer.

Mr. Phillips reported that he has been negotiating with the Boulevard Realty Company, and arrangements have been made to purchase the remaining Trocadero property in three yearly installments for the total sum of Forty Thousand Dollars ($40,000.00) -- the first installment to be made December 1, 1932, the second, December 1, 1933, and the third, December 1, 1934. The Playground Commission is to have immediate possession of the property except the seven small shacks located thereon. Interest will be paid on the amount due at 4% per annum. Taxes will also be met by this department. The rents from the seven small buildings are to be retained by the Boulevard Realty Company. Quitclaim deeds will be secured from Mrs. Beckwith, Mrs. Clarke and the Boulevard Realty Company for the present roadway from 19th Avenue.

The State Park Commission's appraisal on China Cove was received. It was appraised by Thomas T. Kent for $215,200.00

Mrs. Stern stated she spoke to the Governor regarding the James D. Phelan Memorial. He suggested getting in touch with Mrs. Brown, a member of the State Park Commission. The Commission decided to have the Superintendent forward a letter to Governor Rolph informing him of the present status of China Cove and also notifying him that the $50,000. Phelan Bequest Check has been deposited with the City Treasurer. The letter is to be sent for the purpose of interesting the Phelan Memorial Committee in devising ways and means to secure China Cove for a recreation beach.

It was suggested that the Commissioners meet with Mr. Charles Fay regarding the China Cove matter before their next regular meeting.

The Superintendent reported that the Grand Jury visited the playgrounds and were very pleased with the Commission's facilities and activities. The Superintendent was asked to send a formal request to the Grand Jury.

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Mr. Pack reported that at a meeting of the Unemployment Relief Committee called by Mr. Selah Chamberlain he was informed that of all the city departments receiving unemployed funds, the Playground Department used the greatest percentage of its funds for Pay Rolls -- theper cent being 87.2. The Board of Works spent 66% for Pay Rolls.

Mr. Pack and Mr. Leahy were authorized to see Supervisor Hayden regarding the second bond fund premium of $4207.50 which the Playground Commission is entitled to receive.

The Superintendent reportedthat a great many dogs are brought to the Julius Kahn Playground by residents. The Commission decided to adhere to theirpolicy ofnot allowing dogs on the playgrounds.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Auger, andcarried, Miss Alexia McCart y's appointment to the playground officestaff was approved, and her compensation is to be $125.00 per month.

The Commission unanimously decided to have a playground exhibit at the Food Show, in the Civic Auditorium, between October 17th and 24th.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:50 P.M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco. October 7, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:45 P.M. with Mr. Constant J. Auger presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting when a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Mr. Constant J. Auger,
Mr. John Mclaren.

ABSENT: Mr. William H. Leahy,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Ira W. Coburn,
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes of September 16th was waived until the next regular meeting.

COMMU ICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. H. M. Monroe, Secretary, Board of Education, granting the Commission permission to place fill on the school lot located between 28th and 29th Avenues, Cabrillo and Fulton Streets. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Board of Education stating Mr. Carroll has withdrawn his request to use the Funston Annex for golf driving. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received fr Mrs. Cockrell, of 1520 Sacramento Street, asking the Commission to purchase lend o. Corona Heights, bounded by Roosevelt Way, 15, and 16th Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Playground Commission is not in a positi at this time to consider the purchase of any property.

A letter was received fr Cushing and Cushing thanking the Commission for their letter of appreciation regarding the bequest fr the late James D. Phelan.

A letter was received fr Frank Fischer, Secretary, North Beach Improvement Association, requesting t is Commissio to use unemployment funds to develop the Reservoir Site located on Bay Street betwe Hyde and Larkin Streets. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that this department has no unemployment funds available for any development whatsoever.

A communication was received fro George D. Pratt, announcing the National Recreation Association Conference to be held in Hotel Oakland, Friday, October 30th, 1931. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent stated she is anxious to have as many attend the Conference as possible.

Bids were received, as follows, for furnishing and erecting a wayward and Bay View Playgrounds:

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
American Fence Co.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Monor Post Fence Co.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Standard Fence Co.	[illegible]	[illegible]
West Coast Fire & Iron Works	$3,45[illegible]	[illegible]

The Commission asked Mr. Pratt to make a study of the bids, and to confer with Mr. Auger in deciding which bid will be awarded the contract.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission passed a resolution accepting a grant deed and a quitclaim deed for the Procadero Property, from a deed fro George Gross for a portion of the Procadero Property. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger, Mr. Mclaren.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission passed a resolution for the purc se of property in the Procadero in the sum of $4,[illegible].00, in three installments. The first payment of $1,[illegible].3. is to be made Dec. 1, 1931; the second of $1,[illegible]. Dec. 1, 1932; and the final payment of $1,[illegible].34 on Dec. 1, 1934. The property lies between 31st and 32nd Avenues, Point Lobos and Geneva Street. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Auger and Mr. Mclaren.

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The Secretary reported that the Playground Commission will receive the second Bond Fund Premium of $4,207.50 which will be deposited with the Playground Funds in the City Treasury.

Mr. Pack called the Commission's attention to the need for resurfacing Presidio Heights Playground. He was asked to secure prices and report to Mr. Bunn regarding them.

Mr. Pack reported he is placing fill on the school lot located on 38th Avenue.

The Commission authorized the purchase oftwo trophies to be awarded for specific Junipero athletic activities.

The Superintendent suggested that Mr. Maher of the Civil Service Commission be asked to meet with the Commission at their next regular meeting. The suggestion was approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco. October 20, 1931.

PLAY COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Play Committee was held this day at the hour of 10 a.m. with Mrs. Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

In discussing the reemployment of Mrs. Jeanne Mulvihill, Swimming Assistant, who has been on a leave for three months, the Committee decided not to reinstate her for the following reasons:

The swimming season closes on October 31st and there will be no additional work available at that time;

Due to her inability to meet the various bills which she has incurred in the stores of San Francisco, the Credit Managers have come to the Playground Commission from time to time to collect, and Mrs. Mulvihill has repeatedly failed to meet her obligations.

However, before she is dismissed from the department, Mrs. Stern will have a social worker investigate her case, and receive word for the Play Committee before November 1st at which time Mrs. Mulvihill's leave ends.

The Commission discussed Mr. John Mooney who is at present director at Bay View Playground. It was decided, because of the inability of Mr. Mooney to build up a satisfactory attendance at Bay View Playground, to discontinue his services in November and to pay him one month's additional salary.

The committee asked Miss Randall to talk over with Miss Claire Evans the present difficulty at Presidio Heights Playground.

Miss Randall called the Committee's attention to Mr. Leonard Leavy's request that handicraft equipment be ordered six months in advance, and stated that this was difficult to do as handicraft on the playgrounds is a new activity and is in the experimental stage at present. An effort will be made to settle the situation to the satisfaction of both Mr. Leavy and the Playground Commission.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 11 a.m.

Veda B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 21, 1931.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. George Hearst;
Mr. Ira W. Coburn;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 7th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. C. C. Smith, Secretary of the Southern Civic Clubs, 4551 Mission Street, requesting the Playground Commission to cooperate with them in procuring a school lot at Wibnle and Naglee Streets for a community center.

Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that while the Playground Commission appreciates the great need for a community center in that district, it would be inadvisable for them to suggest to the Board of Education that they turn over property under the jurisdiction of their Board to any organization.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Office, enclosing a letter from Mrs. F. W. Collingwood, Corresponding Secretary Roosevelt P. T. A., in which she asks for cooperation in the establishment of a playground in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary asked to reply that the Commissioners are heartily in accord with the establishment of a playground in the Cemetery, especially near the Roosevelt High School, and commend the willingness of the P. T. A. to keep actively on the job.

A copy of a letter sent by the McKinley Orphanage to the Park Commission was received. It states the need for a supervised area for children in Mission Park. Letter ordered filed.

The Secretary reported that she was informed by Mr. Clyde Healy of the Board of Public Works that there is the possibility of a $700,000. surplus in the Boulevard Bond Issue of 1927. It is understood that if a surplus exists it will be used to purchase four blocks of land, paralleling the Sunset Boulevard, which are to be used for recreational or school purposes. The Commission asked that a letter be sent to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors requesting them to purchase four blocks of land for playground purposes and to turn same over to the jurisdicti n of the Playground Commission.

In discussing China Cove, Mrs. Stern stated she called on Mrs. E. N. Brown of the State Park Commission, who mentioned that the State Bond Funds will soon be spent. Mr. Charles Fay, a close friend of the late James D. Phelan, promised to see Supervisor Hayden, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and ask him for the necessary amount between $30,000. and $50,000. to match the sum required to meet the purchase price on China Cove.

The Grounds Committee decided to visit Douglass Playground in order to determine the layout.

The Commission decided not to construct a building on the Agtos Playground at this time.

The Commission authorized the Superintendent to ask the Board of Education if the Playground Commission may have the evening use of all school gymnasia in San Francisco.

The Superintendent reported she visited the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, which is an excellent plant, and saw Mr. E. J. Tangne who is in charge. The Board of Directors is quite willing to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Playground Commission, as long as the present activity program is continued.

The Superintendent reported that Mrs. Baker and the other members of the Playground Committee of the Grand Jury, are very enthusiastic regarding the Playground Department, and have assured this department of their willingness to help the Commission secure its recommendations.

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Mr. J. J. Phillips reported that Mr. George Greene had signed the grant deed mentioned in the minutes of October 7th, 1931.

The Commission decided that Miss Alexia McCarty's position be designated as Director of Recreation Information, and Mr. W. L. McElvaney's position as Recreation Statistician.

Mr. Pack reported that twelve of the unemployed men are at work in the Trocadero and will continue working as at present until the next Commission meeting. Mrs. Stern stated she will have Mr. Bernard I. Maybeck visit the property in the near future.

Mrs. Stern stated she is desirous of doing something for the unemployed by way of providing hot lunches. She is taking up the details with Miss Catherine Felton of the Associated Charities.

A resolution for the purchase of property in the Potrero Hill Playground in favor of John and Vasilisa Bogdanoff in the sum of $4000.00 was on motion regularly moved and carried, approved for payment.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern.

Demands Numbers 27 through 32, amounting to $14,262.06, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved for payment.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:05 P.M..

Veda Ellsung
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 31, 1931.

SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 10:00 A. M. for the purpose of taking up two propositions for future recreational development, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Constant J. Auger;
Mr. William H. Leahy.

Absent: Mr. George Hearst;
Mr. Ira W. Coburn;
Mr. John McLaren.

There were also present: Mr. J. J. O'Toole, City Attorney
Mr. J. J. Phillips, City Right-of-Way Agent
Supervisor James B. McSheehy

MINUTES

ODD FELLOWS' CEMETERY

A report was received by the Playground Commission that a delegation from the Roosevelt Jr. High School called upon the Mayor and asked that a playground comprising three blocks be established in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery located at Arguello Blvd. and Geary Street. The Commission, recognizing the great need for a playground in that district and the importance of immediate action, on motion regularly moved and carried, authorized Mr. J. J. O'Toole to draw up a resolution which Supervisor McSheehy agreed to present to the Board of Supervisors on Monday, November 2nd, requesting the Playground Commission to investigate the possibility of purchasing ten acres in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery, with a frontage on Arguello Blvd.

BOULEVARD BOND ISSUE

In discussing the Boulevard Bond Issue of 1927, Mr. J. J. Phillips stated the original plans called for the purchase of four blocks of land adjacent to the Sunset Blvd. for playground purposes.

A surplus is expected in the Bond Issue, and the Commission has written the Board of Supervisors asking them to purchase four blocks of land for playground purposes, and to transfer same to the jurisdiction of the Playground Commission. Mr. Phillips called the Commission's attention to several excellent opportunities to purchase land in the Sunset District at this time. Supervisor McSheehy stated he will visit the Sunset District with Mr. Phillips and familiarize himself with the proposition, and if advisable he will immediately take up the matter with the Education Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 11:00 A. M.

Veda Ellsung
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco. November 4, 1931

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. George Hearst
Mr. Ira W. Coburn
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 21st were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

C O M M U N I C A T I O N S

A letter was received from Mr. Arthur R. Bird of 309 Bay Street, requesting the Commission to take action on the establishment of a playground at Bay and Larkin Streets. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that it is the intention of the Water Department to secure a long term lease on the property and also this department could not afford to expend money on land that might have to be turned back to the Water Department after a very short period of time.

A letter was received from Fernando Nelson & Sons Inc., calling the Commission's attention to the application before the City Planning Commission to change the zoning of the northwest corner of 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard to second residential. Letter ordered filed. Mr. R.S. Woodward, Secretary of the City Planning Commission also called on the Commission regarding this application. The Commission, on motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and carried, went on record opposing the rezoning because this department intends to develop a very beautiful recreation area in the property already given to the city, and the adjoining property to be acquired within the next three years, also because second residential would be less desirable to the neighborhood than improvements to be constructed in first residential zoning, and also because the rezoning would be likely to interfere with the recreation activities that are planned adjacent to this area. The Secretary was instructed to send a letter to the City Planning Commission regarding the Commission's action.

A letter was received from The McKinley Orphanage regarding the Mission Park, enclosing one letter from Mr. B.P. Lamb, Secretary of the Park Commission stating the request to establish a supervised playground was denied because of lack of funds, and one from the Chief of Police stating his department will watch the park closely for degenerates. Letters ordered filed.

A letter of thanks was received from Mr. Gus Pollock, Secretary of the West End Improvement Association thanking the Playground Commission for placing fill in the school lot at 24th, 29th avenues, Cabrillo and Fulton Streets. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Erwin Dames, City Manager of Pacific Grove, asking the Superintendent to aid that city in a plan for suitable recreation development. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent to reply that she suggests they communicate with Major Braden, the Western Field Representative of the National Recreation Association, asking that he meet with them.

Mr. J.J. Phillips called the Commission's attention to the possibility of securing a block of land in the Sunset District bounded by Noreiga, Ortega, 27th and 28th Avenues for the extremely low price of $30,000 plus a future obligation of $12,500 for street work not now done. The Commission asked the Secretary to forward a letter to the Finance Committee asking the Board of Supervisors to purchase this block from the Boulevard Bond Funds.

Mr. Phillips also reported that a resolution was presented to the Board of Supervisors Monday, November 2d, asking the Playground Commission to investigate the possibility of acquiring ten acres of land for playground purposes in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery. The matter is at present in the hands of the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee. Mr. Phillips stated he will inquire further from the owners about the purchase price of land in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery.

The Commission on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, decided to immediately employ Mr. George Greene as watchman for The Trocadero property at the rate of $80.00 per month.

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The Commission on motion of Miss Mosgrove seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, appointed Mr. Gerald Linares as Supervisor of Industrial Recreation at a salary of $165.00 per month, the work to commence immediately.

In discussing Mrs. Jeanne Mulvihill, the Commission on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr.Auger and carried, decided to dispense with Mrs. Mulvihill's services because of her irresponsibility regarding her financial obligations.

The Superintendent reported she was notified by Mr. R.R.Miller, Chief Probation Officer, that the services of the playground director in the yard of the Juvenile Court are no longer needed. Therefore on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger, and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to withdraw the director at once.

In discussing the services of unemployed men to supervise some of the work on the playground projects, the Commission on motion of Miss Mosgrove , seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, went on record as favoring the employment of as many of the men as are required, who are qualified to serve in a supervising capacity, at a very reasonable rate of compensation.

Mrs. Stern reported she saw General Malin Craig regarding the Julius Kahn Playground. He suggested that this department watch the grounds at frequent intervals during the evening. Mrs. Stern took the matter up with the Chief of Police and the Chief advised her that if it met with the approval of the General the Police Department will police the playground during the evening. Mr. Kimbell will be asked to call on General Craig regarding the playground problems.

In discussing Mr. John Mooney's employment, the Playground Commission on Motion of Mr. Auger seconded by Miss Mosgrove and carried, authorized the Superintendent to discontinue Mr. Mooney's employment in the department for the good of the service and because the active attendance on the Bay View Playground does not warrant a director, and the reported attendance is about twice as much as the actual attendance.

TheSuperintendent reported that the Community Chest is considering opening another Homeless Men's Shelter and suggests a room be set aside for recreation purposes. The Commission will be asked to supervise the recreation activities in this room.

The Commission approved the repair work in the sum of $95.00 necessary in Mrs. L. Brizzolara's home at 51 Justin Drive adjoining the Saint Mary's Playground Site because blasting operations on the site caused the damage some time ago. Ayes: Mrs. Stern , Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger.

Mr. J. Maher, Secretary Civil Service Commission and Mr. Wm. H. Henderson called to see the Commission and stated they will gladly co-operate with the Commission in working out its problems appertaining to employees in this department and their Civil Service standing.

Mr. Pack was authorized to see Mr. Charles Wollenberg regarding the lunches furnished the unemployed.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger and carried, the Commission authorized Mr. Pack to have his per diem men conform to the general practice in the city government, i.e. that they work five days a week instead of five and one-half as at present.

Demands and current expenses numbering from 27 to 36 inclusive and amounting to $[illegible]9.82 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Auger.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:40 P.M.

Veda Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 18, 1931

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 PM with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. George Hearst
Mr. Ira W. Coburn
Miss Alicia Mosgrove

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the minority meetings of October 7th and 31st were on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Auger, unanimously approved.

The minutes of themeeting of November 4th were on motion of Mr. Leahy seconded by Mr. Auger, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Benjamin Scharff, Secretary, Point Lobos Improvement Association, opposing the Commission's plan to establish a playground in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission is taking their letter under consideration.

A letter was received from Mr. Wm. J. Osterloh of the East and West of Castro Street Improvement Club, informing the Commission that their association has approved the Playground Commission's plan for changing the location of the field house on Douglass Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to acknowledge the communication. TheCommission went on record, on motion of Mr. Leahy, and seconded by Mr. Auger, that the field house be located on the site selected by the Grounds Committee and the Superintendent.

DELEGATION

Mr. Fernando Nelson who is developing a beautiful residential tract to the south of The Trocadero property called before the Commission regarding his opposition to the plan to rezone theproperty at the corner of 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard.

Mr. L.M.Hotchkiss of [illegible] Fremont Street, Mr. George Cantrell and Mr. George Harris also called before the Commission to explain the plan they have for the erection of a convalescent home on the corner property at 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard, providing it can be rezoned. The Chairman stated the Commission will look into their viewpoint in the matter.

Mrs. Stern called the Commission's attention to the fact that representatives from twenty-three countries will be visiting the San Francisco Recreation Department and this city just prior to the International Recreation Congress and the Olympic Games to be held in Los Angeles, July and August, 1932, and she would like the cooperation of all persons in San Francisco that can be of material assistance in the proper entertainment of the visitors. It was suggested that Mr. George [illegible] Executive Vice-President of the Chamber of Commerce be requested to this matter.

The Commission approved the suggestion that an additional picture be taken of each of the San Francisco playgrounds, and asked that further information be procured regarding amount for each series.

On motion of Mr. [illegible], seconded by Mr. Auger, the Commission approved the Superintendent's suggestion that [illegible] Hearst School on Thursdays at which time the [illegible] department who are there waiting to receive orders, may [illegible] for recreation.

In discussing the advisability of [illegible] links for men players in a central location in San Francisco, Mr. Auger advised having the representatives call on him regarding this request.

Theplansfor the Playroom Commission's [illegible] on the third floor of the City Hall were approved as presented.

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Mrs. Stern called the Commission's attention to the need for having a street leading out from theTrocadero property and in order to provide for this recommendation suggested that the Commission consider the purchase of additional property, about 100' x 1000' along the southern boundary of the property. The present price of $30,000 on this property is prohibitive.

Mr. J.J.Phillips reported that nothing further can be done at this time regarding the purchase of land in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery for playground purposes because the property is still tied up in the courts.

Mr. Phillips also reported that the question of theBoard of Supervisors purchasing land from the Boulevard Bond Funds for playground purposes is in the City Attorney's Office for his opinion.

The Commission asked that Mr. Howard Hanvey inquire about a suitable folder to advertise this city in connection with the International Recreation Congress and the Olympic Games for 1932.

The Superintendent called the Commission's attention to the need for a building on the Glen Park Playground to house a regulation basketball court, several club rooms, and a little theatre which will accomodate from 250 to 300 people. Mr. Gardner A. Dailey will be asked to draw the plans for the building. Mr. McLaren called the Commission's attention to the Engineer's plan to put through the proposed boulevard for the Glen Park District in the near future, and also the Water Department's plan to take some of the Glen Park land in connection with the reservoir in that district. Before taking action the Commission asked that a survey be made of the district to determine thenumber of people who would be served by a center of this kind within a three-quarter mile radius of the Glen Park Playground.

Mr. Gerald J. Linares, the newly appointed Supervisor of Industrial Recreation, came before the Commission to tell them of theenthusiastic support he is receiving from the various organizations in San Francisco with reference to the establishment of this new department.

The Superintendent reported that theFrancisco Junior High School Gymnasium will be open for evening use by this department commencing November 23d, also that the Roosevelt Gymnasium will be taken over some time in the near future.

Mrs. Stern reported with regard to China Cove, that Mr. Charles Fay will be seen regarding the possibility of finding a way to procure $30,000 to apply on the purchase of this property.

Mr. Funk reported that there are 359 unemployed men working on the following playgrounds: Julius Kahn, Potrero Hill, St.Mary's and The Trocadero, and a great deal of clearing and grading work is being done.

Mr. Leahy reported that he called to see the City Attorney regarding some of the Playground Commission's powers under the New Charter. All supplies will have to be purchased through the Bureau of Supplies. In letting contracts for buildings the bid for furnishings can be included at the time thecontract is let. Our department will not be permitted to construct its own buildings.

Our present and future plans in connection with the shops of the Construction Department can be carried out without any thought of interference on the part of the city government for the next two or three years.

On motion of Mr. Auger, seconded by Mr. Leahy and carried, the plans for the development of the Visitacion Valley site were approved and will be carried out as the money is available.

Demands Nos. 37 to 41 inclusive, amounting to $1,980.78 were on motion of Mr. Auger seconded by Mr. Leahy, approved for payment. Ayes: Mr. Auger, Mr. Leahy, Mrs. Stern, Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 PM

Veda B Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 7, 1931.

PLAY COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the Play Committee was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove.

With regard to the leaves of absence of Phyllis Fogerty, Ralph McIlwaine, Grace O'Brien, L. S. Ross, Charles Roedel, and Phillip Moore, the Committee decided to make an official record of these leaves by sending a letter to the Civil Service Commission regarding same.

The Commission looked with favor on Mr. Fred Levy's suggestion regarding Classifications for Playground Directors, i.e. that there be three (3) classes, the first class to include those at present receiving the maximum rate.

Mr. William L. Henderson and Mr. L. A. Landrevilli representing the committee classifying positions for salary standardization in the City Government, explained several matters appertaining to Civil Service. They stressed the fact that positions are classified according to duties only.

One suggestion made by Mr. Henderson for revision of the playground directors' classification was that there be two classes, "The higher class shall be directors who are responsible for activities at a playground, or responsible for either girls' or boys' activities at a playground. The second class shall be those directors who assist the Playground Directors."

Mr. Henderson suggests in order to expedite matters that the Commission pass on the titling of positions as submitted by the Civil Service Commission, with the possible exception of "Playground Directors", placing all directors temporarily under R 56 "Playground Director", and that they submit a letter expressing their objection to any other classifications that do not meet with their approval and suggesting their opinion of the proper classification. Otherwise, the whole procedure will be delayed until after January 8th, and the Payroll for January 16th may be held up for several days.

The Committee decided to take up the classification of positions at the regular Commission Meeting scheduled for December 9, 1931.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 4:00 P.M..

Veda B Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco,

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San Francisco, December 9, 1931

COMMISSION MEETING

A meeting of the PlaygroundCommission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs.Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Ira W. Coburn
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. C.J.Auger
Mr. George Hearst

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of November 18th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. J.C.Marshall, 485 Pine Street, Secretary of the Mission Street Merchants' Association, asking the Commission to consider taking over the Miniature Golf Course on the site of the Agassiz Grammar School on Mission Street at 25th. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation, and the letter was ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported that she and Mr. Pack are planning to go to Douglas Playground soon to take care of the plans for changing the location of the Field House.

The Superintendent reported that thesurvey of the Glen Park Playground District has not been completed, but is due soon. Plans for a building will therefore be held in abeyance.

The Playground Commission discussed the classification of all positions in this department as submitted by the Civil Service Commission. It was decided, in order to expedite matters, that a letter be sent to the Civil Service Commission approving, at this time, thetitles submitted by them with the exception that both associate andplayground directors be placed under the title "Playground Director A-58". The letter is also to include the Playground Commission's recommendations concerning all positions in this department and the names of all persons on leave during 1931.

TheCommission authorized the request of Italians living in the vicinity of Funston Annex to play the game of Bocce on Webster Street between Funston Playground and the Funston Playground Annex, and the Secretary was authorized to notify the representative.

The Superintendent reported the need of securing a woman from the unemployed group to supervise the making of costumes at the Dramatic Studio while Miss Hester Proctor is busy conducting Christmas Plays. TheChairman suggested that the Superintendent see Miss Pilton's service in regard to obtaining the necessary help.

TheSuperintendent reported that the lease of the Noe Valley Recreation Center expires this month. Mrs. Stern stated she will investigate the matter.

TheCommission were notified of the Christmas Festival and Carols to be presented by the Playground Children on the evening of December 21st at the Everett Junior High School.

The Commission approved the plan to have fifty playground children sing Christmas Carols throughout the city on Wednesday evening, December 23, 1931.

The Commission approved the Superintendent's suggestion that two performances of the Annual Fall Festival be held, one on a Friday evening andthe other on the Saturday afternoon following. It was suggested that tickets be given out which can be exchanged for reserved seats for the time desired.

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In discussing next year's plans it was decided to present a regular May Fete in the Trocadero property.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission authorized the purchase of office equipment for Camp Mather recommended by the Camp Manager which will cost approximately $211.75 Ayes: Miss Alicia Mosgrove and Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

TheCommission's attention was called to the possibility of procuring land adjoining the Visitacion Valley Playground at a very reasonable offer which if acquired would make possible the closing of the street between the Playground area and the school, and provide a great deal of additional play space. Thematter has been referred to the Grounds Committee for further investigation.

Mr. Pack reported on the progress of work at Trocadero, St.Mary's, Visitacion Valley and the Potrero Hill Playground Sites and at the Julius Kahn Playground.

He recommended a program for next year which can be carried out as funds are available.

TROCADERO:
Roads and trails surfaced with red rock which is available for cost of hauling. Estimate $1950.00
Roof repaired. Tentative estimate $250.00
That 3500 cubic yards of loam be applied to turf areas.
The fencing expense is too great to consider this year.

ST.MARY'S:
That 1852 cubic yards of loam be applied to cut areas and that the necessary piping and plumbing connections be made.

VISITACION VALLEY:
That irrigation piping be installed at a cost of $678.00

38th, 39th, FULTON AND CABRILLO STREETS:
That $490.00 be set aside for a concrete retaining wall.

Mr. Pack also reported he has approximately 270 of the unemployed men working on various playground areas. He plans to use some to make a retaining wall on the school site at 38th, 39th Avenues and Fulton Street and then to level off the ground afterwards.

The Superintendent was authorized to see Mr. Wm. H. Manry and find out at what time he can meet with the PlaygroundCommission.

Mrs. Stern suggested the possibility of borrowing some surplus trucks from the Army authorities to be used in hauling red rock and loam for the playground areas.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:20 P.M.

Vera D'Evelyn
Secretary

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San Francisco. December 16, 1931

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs.Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. William H. Leahy

Absent: Mr. George Hearst
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Constant J. Auger
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes of December 9th was waived until the next regular meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Board of Education granting permission to the Playground Commission to use theschool property located in the Ocean View Playground until such time as they may have occasion to use it. Letter ordered filed.

The Grounds Committee reported that they visited the miniature golf course at Mission and 16th Streets and do not recommend taking it over because they do not plan to operate a golf course, and also the property is too small for playground purposes, and furthermore is situated in a very busy location.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the Mission Street Merchants' Association that the Commission decided not to take the golf course over.

Miss Kendall reported that a public meeting will be held in the Board of Supervisors this evening for the purpose of fixing the necessary budget for personnel up to the next fiscal year as required by the new charter.

The Commission decided not to consider the purchase of any additional property in the Visitacion Valley District adjoining the present playground site at this time because there are no funds available.

The Superintendent reported that our Industrial Recreation Department has thirty-three teams signed up in the Basketball League. The seventy games involving 405 players will be played in the School gymnasia over a period of five weeks.

The Superintendent called the Commission's attention to the fact that this department's silver anniversary will be in November 1931. It was decided to take up this matter later on.

The Commission decided to have theSuperintendent investigate the organization interested in the game of rolling thecheese before final arrangements are made to permit the use of the Junston Playground Annex for this activity.

After discussing theclassification of the position at present held by Mr. Pack, it was decided to change the title making the duties more inclusive and giving an opportunity for greater expansion. It was suggested that the position be called Chief Supervisor of Maintenance Department.

Mr. J.J.Phillips informed the Commission that a lot 25'x100' which is owned by Lawrence Costello is available in the Richmond District adjoining the school lot at 38th, 39th Ave., between Cabrillo and Fulton Streets for the price of $2450.00. The Superintendent was authorized to make a study of the department finances and if it is possible to purchase the lot this fiscal year to notify Mrs. Stern and the Chairman of the Finance Committee for their final approval.

The next Camp Committee meeting will be called some time after Christmas.

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Mr. Pack gave a satisfactory report of the work being performed by the unemployed group on the playground sites. Two hundred and ninety-seven are working on the playgrounds at this tim The United Commercial Company has loaned this department mine cars andrails for the work at St.Mary's Playground site.

On motion regularly moved and carried, demands Nos. 46, 47 and 48, amounting to $1551.82 were approved and ordered paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy,

There being no further busine s the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:15 P.M.

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San Francisco, January 6, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Playground Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Constant J. Auger.

Absent: Mr. Geroge Hearst;
Mr. Ira W. Coburn.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of December 9th and December 16th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A notice was received from the Board of Public Works asking this Commission to repair the sidewalk on the east side of Aptos Avenue between Ocean and Upland Avenue. The notice was ordered filed and the Commission approved Mr. Pack's reply which referred the matter to the Street Committee.

A letter was received from Mrs. A. B. Allen, Corresponding Secretary, 2d District California Congress of Parents and Teachers endorsing the establishment of a playground in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery. Letter ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported that the Trustees of the Rosenberg Fund are making negotiations to continue the rental of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center. On a motion regularly moved and carried the Commission asked that a letter of thanks be sent to the Trustees of the Rosenberg Fund thanking them for renewing the lease.

The following action was taken regarding Mr. John Mooney:

To amend the Minutes of the meeting of November 4, 1931, regarding the employment of Mr. John J. Mooney: Motion by Miss Alicia Mosgrove and seconded by Mr. William H. Leahy, and unanimously carried that Mr. John J. Mooney, playground director, be transferred from the activities department of the Playground Commission to the construction department as janitor, effective December 14, 1931 and that he be granted a leave of absence until January 6, 1932.

The Secretary was asked to send a written notice to the Civil Service Commission and the Retirement System stating the Commission's action.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and carried, the Superintendent was asked to procure an estimate for the printing of an annual report of the Commission's activities.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Auger and unanimously carried, the Commission authorized the installation of sanitary plumbing in the new Recreation Commission Headquarters in the City Hall at an estimated cost of one hundred dollars ($100.00).

The Commissioners stated their regret at losing Mr. C. J. Auger from the Commission since he had accepted an appointment on the Board of Permit Appeals.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:00 p.m.

Veda B. Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, January 20, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. in Room 376 City Hall with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

Absent: Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. George Hearst.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 6th were on motion regularly moved and carried approved as read.

The next order of business was the election of President and Vice-President, respectively, of the Recreation Commission for 1932.

On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, Mrs. Stern was unanimously re-elected President.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Leahy was unanimously elected Vice-President.

The following Committees were thereupon appointed by the Chair:

Finance: Mr. Leahy
Miss Mosgrove
Mr. Hearst

Grounds: Mr. McLaren
Mrs. Stern
Mr. Leahy

Camps: Miss Mosgrove
Mr. Berendsen
Mr. Hearst

Play: Mrs. Stern
Mr. Berendsen
Mr. Gwinn

Mr. Kimbell reported that he attended a committee meeting where plans were being made to celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the birth of George Washington and that the playground children have been asked to parade on April 30th. The Commission was of the opinion that it would be inadvisable to have the children participate in the parade. Mr. Kimbell was asked to attend the next committee meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. S. M. Davis, Secretary of the Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Club asking permission for a delegation to call before the Commission and request the establishment of a playground in their district. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission will receive the delegation at their next regular meeting.

A communication was received from the Community Chest asking that the Recreation Commission select delegates for the Recreation Council. The Chairman selected Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, and Mr. Gwinn to serve for 1932. The communication was ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to answer it.

A bill for Twenty-four dollars and fifty cents ($24.50) was received from Kahn & Co. covering cost of glasses for Mrs. N. Calvo of 2013 Powell Street. The purchase of the glasses was necessary as a result of an accident caused when Mrs. Calvo was passing North Beach Playground. On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. McLaren and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the bill. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Leahy, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Berendsen.

In discussing China Beach, the Commissi n authorized Mr. Joseph J. Phillips to take up the purchase of the property with the owner.

The Superintendent recommended that Mr. De Meyer be assigned to the office at this time, because of his special qualifications in baseball and in the scheduling of games for all the teams using this department's diamonds. Therefore, on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission approved employing Mr. De Meyer to take care of the baseball activities.

The Superintendent recommended that five thousand copies of the annual report and review of activities containing a complete history of the Commission be published. The estimate for the five thousand copies is between $1800. and $2000. The Commission authorized Mr. Leahy to take up the editing of the report with Mr. Gilbert G. Weigle, who was the editor of the last two reports,

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and to pass on his employment if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously approved renting a building owned by Mrs. Mary Lillo of 164 Sussex Street, in the Glen Park District, which is to be used by the dramatic club of the Glen Park Playground. The rental is to be three dollars ($3.00) per month.

The Superintendent reported that twenty-four students are receiving their practice recreation training on the various San Francisco Playgrounds for which they receive credit in their respective schools.

Mr. Pack reported that Mr. Stanford A. Mosk, Associate Economist State Unemployment Committee asked for an estimate of improvements that could be performed to advantage on the various properties of the Recreation Commission if unlimited funds were available. The following is a summary of the improvements totaling $2,051,551.68:

SUMMARY

Aptos	$ 14 000.00	
China Beach	100 000.00	
Corporation Yard	13 696.80	
Douglass	62 932.20	
Father Crowley	98 696.00	
Funston	74 440.00	
Glen Park	149 218.98	
Hamilton	136 560.00	
Hayward Boys'	75 852.00	
James Rolph	14 000.00	
Julius Kahn	47 950.00	
Mission	45 000.00	
Mountain Camp	538 500.00	
North Beach	79 000.00	
Ocean View	149 278.80	
Portola	65 000.00	
Potrero Hill	166 396.28	
Presidio Heights	8 250.00	
Richmond	16 000.00	
St. Mary's	124 776.60	
Trocadero	36 691.16	
Visitacion Valley	17 327.16	
38th and Fulton	17 985.70	$2 051 551.68

Mr. Pack reported on the unemployment program in the development of playground sites and mentioned that four hundred and fifty-seven men are employed at the present time.

On motion of Mr. Leahy seconded by Mr. Berendsen and unanimously carried, the Commission passed on the employment of Mr. Allen as the night watchman for the Trocadero property at $20.00 per month.

The Commission authorized Mr. Pack to interview a carpenter who is applying for work at $40.00 per month, and to employ the applicant if he approves.

The Superintendent was authorized by the Commission to write a letter to the Public Utilities Commission asking permission to make trails on land belonging to the Water Department, and to include Mr. Gardner A. Dailey's plan showing the proposed location of the trails. It is proposed that unemployed labor be used for this work and that the trails extend from the Trocadero to Sharp's Park in San Mateo County.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:45 P. M.

Veda Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, January 30, 1932.

CAMP COMMITTEE MEETING.

A meeting of the Camp Committee was held this day at the hour of 10:00 a.m. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

M I N U T E S

The Camp Manager submitted recommendations for Camp expenditures for the 1932 season as follows:

MAINTENANCE, ALTERATION AND REPAIRS		
General repair, including new footings and new flooring under old portion of Lodge and repair of old Park Curry Bath House		$500.00
Sanding and refinishing Dining Room		60.00
Alteration of cafeteria table seats as per Miss Randall's suggestion		100.00
Painting interior of bath houses		350.00
NEW BUILDING		
Rebuilding old Hetchy cook house and refrigerator house, to be used as personnel quarters		1 500.00
Rebuild old Hetchy Cabins now used as personnel quarters for guest use: 4 @ $125.00 each		500.00
Convert old Hetchy washroom into laundry for guest use		200.00
Extend cafeteria counter rail and partition dish discharge window		30.00
Water supply program		1 500.00
NEW EQUIPMENT		
Cots 50		200.00
Mattresses 50		200.00
Steel Stools 100		200.00
Waste Baskets		100.00
Office Appliances		250.00
BENCHES - CAMP FIRE		400.00
BENCHES - GROUNDS		200.00
TABLES (25)		175.00
LAKE AREA HOUSE		450.00
LAKE PLATFORM		125.00
CAMP GATEWAY		250.00
CAMP SIGN		100.00
SEWER LINES		250.00
REMOVING OLD STRUCTURES		
Barn, Woodshed, etc.		150.00
CONTINGENCIES		250.00
TOTAL		$8 040.00

The Committee unanimously decided to recommend to the Commission at its regular meeting on Wednesday, February 3d, that these expenditures in the sum of $8 040.00 be approved.

The Camp Manager explained that last season there was a gross profit of about nine thousand dollars ($9 000.00) against operation. This amount was budgeted for necessary new construction and new equipment expenditures and was used for those purposes. It is expected that the 1932 season will result in a similar gross profit, which sum will be used for further construction work.

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The Commission authorized the necessary printing of folders, placards, and other Camp publicity.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY.

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San Francisco, February 3, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. George Hearst;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 20th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A communication was received from the Polytechnic P. T. A. urging the establishment of play and park areas on school lots in the Sunset District. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent to reply advising that the matter be taken up with Mr. John McLaren, Park Commission.

A letter was received from the Bay View Civic Association asking that Mr. John Mooney be reemployed at the Bay View Playground. Letter ordered filed and the Superintendent to reply that there is no need for a director on this playground since the caretaker can handle the activities satisfactorily.

A communication was received from the 2d District California Congress of Parent Teachers thanking the Commission for placing a director in charge of recreation activities at the Philanthropy Center. Letter ordered filed.

Mr. Leahy reported that Mr. Gilbert G. Weigle's services for the editing of the Commission's annual report have been secured for three hundred and fifty dollars ($350.00). The Commission unanimously approved this expense.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to purchase the tympani and two bass viols that the department has been renting for the Junior Civic Symphony, for the sum of two hundred and ninety-two dollars and fifty cents ($292.50) which includes ninety-five dollars ($95.00) for rental due. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Hearst, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. John Urquhart has asked that his resignation take effect March 1st, and suggested that Mr. Allan Jones be temporarily assigned to his place until such time as he qualifies for the position. On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the Superintendent's suggestion.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported that Mrs. Stern and he called to see Mr. O.K.Cushing regarding China Beach and were favorably impressed with the possibility of financial aid. The State Park Commission will be asked to match the necessary amount needed to complete the purchase.

Mr. Harry B. Allen, the owner of the China Beach property, called before the Commission and stated he is not anxious to sell the property, but suggested that he would be willing to dispose of the lower portion of the property for the sum of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000.00), and retain the lots facing on Sea Cliff Avenue for residential purposes. The Commission is desirous of carrying out the wishes of the late Senator Phelan, and therefore plans to look into the matter further.

Mr. Gardner A. Dailey's plan for the lavatories at the Trocadero site was presented to the Commission. They decided to look into the matter further before making a decision regarding the type of construction.

Mr. J. J. Phillips suggested that the Commission add an extra request to this year's budget for the purchase of property in the Bay View District, which would comprise a beach and an industrial athletic field. There are approximately seventy (70) acres of land available.

Mr. Phillips also reported that he received word from Mr. A. F. Scott, Jr., Attorney for the Odd Fellows' Cemetery Association, that tentatively six or seven acres in the inner portion of the cemetery area are being reserved for a recreation site. The price is twelve thousand dollars ($12,000.00) per acre. He promised to keep the Commission informed regarding this property.

The first draft of this department's budget for 1932-33 was presented. The Commission approved all items excepting the Personnel Sheet. The Finance Committee decided to go over the budget further before making a final decision.

A delegation from the Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Association with Mr. W. J. Varley as chairman, appeared before the Commission to request the establishment of a playground in their neighborhood on the property bounded by Ellington, Huron, Foote and Naglee Avenues. The Commission assured the

delegation that they sympathize with them in their need for a playground but financially they are not in a position to take action at this time. However, they will keep this request in mind.

Miss Mosgrove presented a Camp Committee report and recommended that needed equipment and alterations in the sum of eight thousand and forty dollars ($8,040.00) be made at Mather. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove the work was unanimously approved.

In discussing the advisability of taking over the automobile camp at Mather and charging a registration fee to defray the expense of operation, it was decided that Mr. Center take up the details and follow up the matter with the Public Utilities Commission. He is to report back to the Camp Committee.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the report Mr. Pack prepared for Mr. S.A. Mosk for unemployed projects in San Francisco.

The Commission unanimously approved Mr. Pack's estimate for the following work to be done at this time:

Sub-paving,	Douglass Playground.....	$619.30
" "	Basketball Court, Boys' side, M.S.Hayward.....	858.50
" "	Tennis Court, Boys' side, M.S.Hayward.....	993.75

Mr. Pack reported that the unemployment program is gradually being completed but the weather has been temporarily holding up satisfactory progress. At the 38th Avenue site the grading work is being done and the retaining wall constructed. The work at Julius Kahn Playground will be completed in about ten days. On Potrero Hill six thousand yards of loam are needed. Some of this will be available from Douglass Playground. The placing of loam on the Visitacion Valley Playground site will be completed in about three days.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Vera B. Young
SECRETARY.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 p.m. with Mr. William H. Leahy presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave);
Mr. Joseph M. Gwinn (on leave);
Mr. George Hearst;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of February 3d were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A communication was received from the City Attorney's Office stating that there is no liability on the City's part to pay the bill for the repair of Mrs. N. Calvo's glasses. The matter was held in abeyance and Mr. Pack was asked to look into the matter further.

A letter was received from Peter Catanich of 1934 - 10th Avenue, President Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club asking the Commission to again consider the establishment of a playground in their district on city owned property. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary asked to reply stating the Commission has no available money at this time for the development of playground areas.

A communication was received from Miss G. A. Shaffer of 530 Mason Street asking the Commission to consider the purchase of property on Bush Street between Lyon and Presidio Avenue for playground purposes. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission is not in a position at this time to consider the purchase of any property.

A letter was received from Mr. Frank Fischer, Secretary Northern Federation of Civic Organizations stating their association adopted a resolution requesting the Commission to include in the budget for 1932-1933 an appropriation to convert the lot at Vallejo and Taylor Streets into a playground, and also to develop the site at Bay near Larkin Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that there will be no money available in next year's budget for the development of new areas.

A letter was received from Douglass Kline of 14 Laidley Street, Secretary Central Council of Civic Clubs, inquiring about the establishment of a playground in the Upper Noe Valley and 29th and Castro Street District. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that there is no money available for the purchase or development of playground areas at this time.

A letter was received from W. H. Worden, Director of Public Works referring the paving of the sidewalk along Aptos Playground to this department. Mr. Pack informed the Commission of his reply in which he suggested to the Director of Works that he include an amount in next year's budget to cover the cost of this work. The Commission asked Mr. Pack to handle any future developments concerning this matter.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, the Commission approved the purchase of additional office equipment in the sum of One Hundred and Forty Two Dollars ($142.00). Ayes: Miss Mosgrove; Mr. J. C. Berendsen; Mr. William H. Leahy.

Mr. G. Riordan of the City Real Estate Department informed the Commission that he was able to negotiate for a sixty day option on the purchase of China Beach from Harry B. Allen, owner, for the sum of One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars ($160,000.00). The option was dated February 16, 1932.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, the Commission went on record expressing its willingness to purchase for the sum of One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars ($160,000.00) that property known as China Beach, situated in the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

> All of Lots 1, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11 and 10 and all of the northerly portion of Lot 8 lying North of a line which line is the northerly line of the sewer easement extending from the termination of Seacliff Avenue to the westerly line of Lot 8.
>
> All in Block 1309 as per Map of Seacliff,

contingent upon its ability to obtain the remaining money necessary to complete the purchase.

The Commission on motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried approved the Recreation Department's Budget for 1932-1933 which is as follows:

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Estimated Receipts	$593,000.00	Estimated Expenses	
		Salaries	$335,499.50
		Operation & Maintenance	103,125.00
		Equipment	17,628.00
		Bldgs.,Structures,Improvements	136,487.00
	592,739.50		$592,739.50
Estimated Balance	$ 260.50		

The Superintendent recommended that Mr. Norman Center and Miss Rose McGreevy be sent to the Camp Conference at Asilomar, and that their expenses which will total approximately Thirty Dollars ($30.00) be paid by this Commission. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried, the recommendation was approved. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove; Mr. Leahy; Mr. Berendsen.

Mr. Pack reported that 557 of the unemployed men are working for the Recreation Department this week on seven different sites. Their efficiency is from 25 to 30% in comparison to modern equipment, which is placed at 100%.

Mr. Pack was asked to send a letter to Mr. Leahy regarding the 100% contribution of the Recreation Department to the Unemployed Relief Fund.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Veda B. Young
SECRETARY.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 2, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 p.m. with Mr. William H. Leahy presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. Joseph MarrGwinn;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. George Hearst;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave).

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of February 3d and 17th were on motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A communication was received from Mrs. A. S. Derian, Secretary of the Mission Viaduct Terrace Improvement Club asking the Commission to appropriate money to establish a playground at Cayuga, Milton, and Mission Streets. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the Commission did not promise to establish a playground in that district, and is unable to consider the request at this time because of insufficient funds.

A letter was received from the Board of Education enclosing a communication from Mr. Edward R. Brady, of 166 Fremont Street, requesting the establishment of a schoolyard playground at the Sutro School. Letters ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the yard of the Sutro School is too small to be used as a schoolyard playground, that there are no funds available at this time to take care of additional supervision and the Commission suggests that Mr. Brady apply for the use of Mountain Lake Park to take care of the boys' activities.

In discussing China Beach, Mr. Leahy reported he visited the property with Mr. McLaren and Mr. Pack. Lack of adequate transportation and insufficient parking area are two problems to be kept in mind. Mr. Leahy stated he would see Mayor Rossi regarding the additional money needed for the purchase of the property.

Mr. Leahy reported he saw the City Attorney regarding the purchasing of small articles. It was suggested to increase this department's revolving fund to remedy this situation. Therefore the Commission unanimously decided to request the Mayor and City Attorney to take the necessary action to have this department's San Francisco Revolving Fund increased from three hundred dollars ($300.00) to one thousand dollars ($1000.00). The Secretary was instructed to forward a letter containing this request to both the Mayor and the City Attorney.

The Superintendent reported that the Board of Education has abandoned the Noe Valley School site, at 24th and Douglass Streets, and suggests that the ground be converted into tennis courts. On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously moved that this Commission ask the Board of Education to allow them to acquire the site of the former Noe Valley School which they plan to use for recreation purposes.

Mr. Pack reported that a bungalow and two corrugated iron buildings which are at present situated on the property could be satisfactorily used at our corporation yard. Therefore, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, and unanimously carried, Mr. Pack was authorized to move these buildings at a cost not to exceed six hundred and sixty dollars ($660.00). Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn.

The Superintendent reported that a request has been received to establish a battery of tennis courts on the school lot 150' x 240' located near the Presidio High School on 30th Avenue between California and Clement Streets. It would cost about eleven thousand dollars ($11,000.00) to equip this area similar to the Richmond Tennis Courts. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided to ask the Board of Education to permit this department to utilize the property for recreation purposes. Mr. Gwinn stated the Board of Education might wish to use this property for a playground for the Presidio Junior High School attendants.

The Superintendent reported that the Pitch and Put Course at the Funston Playground Annex has been completed. A question has arisen regarding charging a fee for the use of the course. The Commission asked the Superintendent to investigate the matter thoroughly and report back to them.

The Superintendent reported that she does not recommend reemploying Mrs. Johnson as the Matron at the Mission Bath House for the swimming season, because she has caused this department considerable trouble. The Commission authorized Miss Randall to dismiss Mrs. Johnson if she believes that is the thing to do.

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The Superintendent recommended that a Graflex Camera be purchased in order to save considerable money which is spent in having playground department photographs taken. One of the playground directors has the necessary qualifications to take the required photographs. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously approved the purchase of a camera for the approximate sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150.00). Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Leahy, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Pack reported that five hundred and thirty-eight (538) unemployed men are working on the playground sites this week.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:35 p.m.

Eda B. Young
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 16, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. Joseph M. Gwinn.

Absent: Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. George Hearst;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of March 2, 1932 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A communication was received from the Board of Education granting this department the use of the two school sites i.e. that of the former Noe Valley School at 24th and Douglass Streets and the property on 30th Avenue between California and Clement Streets, until such time as the Board of Education may require the use of the land for school purposes. Letter ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Alexander C. Roberts, President State Teachers' College informing the Commission that he is proceeding with plans to secure more land for the college. Letter ordered filed.

A communication was received from the Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club urging the Commission to again consider the establishment of a children's playground in the Upper Sunset. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent to reply. The Chairman decided to visit the site suggested by this Improvement Club.

Mr. Gene Riordan presented his appraisal on the block bounded by Naglee, Foote, Ellington and Huron Avenues as follows: Land $80,000.; Improvements $95,000. - Total $175,000.00. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

The Superintendent recommended closing the Garfield Schoolyard and opening up the Presidio Junior High Schoolyard instead. On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Superintendent's recommendation was unanimously approved.

The Superintendent reported that the Mayor requested that teachers be not employed on playgrounds after school during the present financial stress. Therefore, on motion of Miss Mosgrove seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen and unanimously carried, it was decided to eliminate from this department all school teachers who are working at present as schoolyard playground directors after school hours, and to give the positions to some other qualified applicants.

The Superintendent recommended sending eight department heads of the Recreation Department to the First International Recreation Congress to be held in Los Angeles. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Gwinn and unanimously carried, the Commission decided to send eight department supervisors to the First International Recreation Congress to be held in Los Angeles July 23d to 29th inclusive, with all expenses paid.

The Superintendent reported that examinations for playground directors, caretakers and a publicity director will be held by the Civil Service Commission March 25th, 1932.

Mr. Pack reported on the telephone set-up in the Recreation Department offices and advised that a switch-board be installed in place of the present temporary arrangement. The Commissioners unanimously approved the installation of a switch-board, since the result would be greater efficiency at a very nominal expense.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported about the purchase of China Cove, and the present difficulties encountered in trying to make the necessary arrangements. A decision must be reached by March 23d. Mrs. Stern stated she will see Mr. O. K. Cushing regarding this matter.

Mr. Pack reported on work in progress and work that has been accomplished, as follows:

WORK ACCOMPLISHED

TROCADERO SITE

Sewer	-	$484.00
Sump	-	305.00
Water Lines	-	565.00
Turf	-	1515.00

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WORK IN PROGRESS

DOUGLASS PLAYGROUND
Asphalt Surface - $360.00

15th & YORK SITE
Moving of Building, grading, cleanup $ 780.00
Fencing $1106.80

38th AVE. & FULTON SITE
Fencing $2364.84

There being no further business the meet'ng was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:30 p.m.

Vera O'Young
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, April 1, 1932.

SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 3 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
- - -
Chief Quinn.

Absent: Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. George Hearst;
Mr. John McLaren.

A detailed report was given regarding the clubs coming under the control of the Communist League now using the playground facilities. The activities of the Communist Organization in San Francisco were also discussed. Cooperation has been promised from the Police and School Departments and from the Juvenile Court in working out the plans for the adjustment of the boys and girls concerned.

On motion of Mr. William H. Leahy, seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously decided to appoint a capable person to make a survey of the Communist Organization and its activities in San Francisco.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen and unanimously carried a circular regarding the visit of recreation delegates to San Francisco on their way to the International Recreation Congress and Olympic Games was ordered printed.

Mrs. Stern reported that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the purchase of China Beach by this department. Mr. Bernard I. Maybeck and Mr. Gardner A. Dailey have been asked to make plans for the development of this site. The plans will be taken up at a future Commission meeting for approval.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Vera O'Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 6, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting when a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. George Hearst;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of March 16th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A communication was received from Mr. A. J. Cleary enclosing a letter from Mr. W. J. Varley, President of the Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Club requesting the establishment of a playground in their district. Letters ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the cost of land together with improvements of the site suggested is very high and cannot be considered in this year's budget, because no new development projects are to be undertaken.

A letter was received from the Mayor's Office enclosing a letter from Miss F. Elizabeth Button of the Roosevelt P. T. A. reminding the Commission of their intention to establish a playground in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission has the matter before them, and will take the necessary steps whenever a decision is rendered in the present court case concerning the property.

A letter was received from Babetta Schmidt and O. M. Olmo calling the Commission's attention to a rezoning question coming up before the City Planning Commission. The letter was ordered filed, and the Commission decided not to interfere in the work of the City Planning Commission.

A communication was received from the 29th and Castro District Improvement Club asking the Commission to consider their request for the establishment of a playground in the quarry at 30th and Castro Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the quarry site is not satisfactory for playground purposes and furthermore, there are no funds available for playground development this year.

The Commission asked the Superintendent to submit to them an estimate of the cost for sending eight supervisors from this department to the International Recreation Congress in Los Angeles, July 23d to 29th, inclusive.

The Superintendent reported that the swimming pools opened Monday, April 4th. Examinations will be given for the positions held by two of the swimming instructors and the two matrons. She also reported that Mrs. Margaret Johnson has been dismissed.

A request was received for this department to supply a recreation director for a boys' summer course in Yosemite Valley. The Commission suggested the position be financed privately because this department has no money for that purpose.

The Commission on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. McLaren, unanimously approved Mr. Pack's estimates for the following work:

Fencing at Douglass Playground		$1339.90
" " 38th Ave. & Fulton St.		3318.72
" " 15th and York Sts.		826.50
Lighting at Margaret S. Hayward Playground		
Labor and Material to complete panel and control		488.00
Skilled labor and tools		496.00
Sewer at the Trocadero Site		484.00

Mr. Pack reported that the fill is about completed at Potrero Hill.

He also reported that by widening Sea Cliff Ave. which is the southern Boundary ofChina Beach, thirty-six cars can be parked at one time.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Vera B. Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, April 20, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of theRecreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. George Hearst;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of March 16th and April 6th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A communication was received from Mrs. H. Kroger, Corresponding Secretary of the Madison P. T. A. endorsing the movement to establish a playground in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply thanking the Parent Teachers for their endorsement.

A letter was received from Supervisor E. J. Spaulding enclosing a petition sent by Mr. C. F. Goodwin, President Presidio Jr. High P. T. A., requesting the maintenance of a schoolyard playground in the yard of the Presidio Jr. High School. Petition ordered filed, and Mr. Goodwin has been notified that this department has included this supervision cost in its budget.

A letter was received from the Bosworth District Home Protective League of 110 Rousseau Street asking the Commission to consider the establishment of a playground in their district bounded by Richland and Silver Avenues, Mission and Diamond Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that there are no funds available for the establishment of additional playgrounds this coming fiscal year.

Mr. Leahy reported that the low bids received recently for fencing work on the playgrounds were as follows: Res. No. I

Anchor Post Fence Co.....	Douglass Playground....	$1355.52
Standard Fence Co.....	38th Ave. & Fulton.....	$2395.42
Michel & Pfeffer Iron Wks..	Corporation Yard, 15th & York Sts.....	$ 801.40

On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Leahy's decision that the work be awarded to the low bidders was unanimously approved. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Leahy.

The Superintendent informed the Commission that Dr. A. Roberts, President of the State Teachers' College is planning to acquire a new site for the San Francisco State Teachers' College and must dispose of the present property. The property is admirably located for an Industrial Recreation Center. On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen and unanimously carried, the Commission asked that a letter signed by the president be sent to Dr. Roberts explaining the Commission's interest in the property and that the letter be incorporated in the minutes.

The Superintendent reported that the cost to send eight representatives from this department to the International Recreation Congress will cost Ninety-five dollars and seventy-five cents ($95.75) per person or a total of approximately Eight Hundred Dollars ($800.00). She furtherreported that the Mayor's Office has inquired regarding the possibility of sending a delegate to represent the city of San Francisco. The Commission asked that the president communicate with the Mayor.

The Superintendent reported that work on the Annual Report which is about ninety per cent completed has been stopped. The Chairman decided to see the Mayor with regard to the report.

Mrs. E. N. Brown of the State Park Commission called to see the Commission regarding China Cove. She informed the Commission that the State Park Commission has promised to match the city's Eighty Thousand Dollar ($80,000.00) contribution which includes the Fifty Thousand Dollar ($50,000.00) Phelan bequest, in order to insure the purchase of China Cove.

Mrs. Stern presented the drawings made by Bernard I. Mayheck which suggest the development of the property. Mr. Gardner A. Dailey explained the suggested plan. Whenever the Commission's plan for development is complete it is to be submitted to the State Park Commission for approval.

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Mr. Brown suggested that the Commission consider calling the beach the James D. Phelan State Beach.

She further stated that it is impossible for the State Park Commission to consider the development of this site because there are not sufficient funds available. A Bond Issue for development purposes would be necessary.

The Commission decided to receive legal opinions regarding possession of the property. On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Leahy, the Commission unanimously authorized the Superintendent to secure an opinion from the City Attorney with reference to this department securing possession of the China Cove property in perpetuity to be operated under the San Francisco Recreation Commission.

Mrs. Brown promised to secure an opinion from the Attorney General regarding this same matter.

The Commission on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn and unanimously carried, authorized the printing of five thousand (5,000) booklets to cost about Sixty-seven Dollars ($67.00) which will advertise this city in connection with the International Recreation Congress.

The Commission on motion of Mr. Leahy seconded by Mr. Gwinn unanimously decided to name the property now known as the Trocadero, the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. The Commission approved holding the dedication of this grove on June 4th.

The Superintendent reported that the Public Health Department has not the necessary money to expend on having health examinations given to adults who use our evening gymnasiums. It was suggested that a health certificate be requested from those attending the gymnasiums.

In discussing the establishment of comfort stations in the Trocadero the Commission on motion of Mr. Leahy seconded by Mr. Berendsen and carried, decided to have our engineer present estimates of the cost.

It was recommended that two draftsmen from the Emergency Relief Group be placed on a seasonal Seventy-Nine Dollar ($79.00) a month rate. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Leahy the Commission approved the recommendation.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Veda Young
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 4, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 p.m. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Absent: Mr. William H. Leahy;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of April 20th were on motion of Mr. McLaren seconded by Mr. Gwinn, approved as read.

The Commission unanimously approved Mrs. Stern's letter to Dr. Roberts and asked that it be incorporated in the minutes.

April 21, 1932.

Dr. Alexander Roberts,
State Teachers' College,
San Francisco, California.

My dear Dr. Roberts:

The San Francisco Recreation Commission is very much interested in obtaining the present site of the State Teachers' College for an industrial recreation center should the State Teachers' College be moved.

The present location of the College is an ideal location for a recreation center and would very admirably meet the many requests and the urgent need for a central gymnasium, little theatre, club meeting rooms, etc.

It is not possible at this time for the Commission to expand its facilities and its operation expenses, but the Commission would greatly appreciate the opportunity to obtain the property when the present financial situation is improved and the property is abandoned.

Trusting that some method can be worked out whereby this College property can be used for recreation purposes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

SAN FRANCISCO RECREATION COMMISSION,

(Mrs. Sigmund Stern)
PRESIDENT.

WB

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter was received from Dr. Alexander C. Roberts of the State Teachers' College acknowledging Mrs. Stern's letter. Communication ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. V. Skeves-Cox, Chairman Playground Committee, P. T. A. of Pacific Heights and Grant Schools, reporting on the need for supervised play in that district. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to acknowledge receipt of same.

A letter was received from the Mayor's Office enclosing a communication from the Glen Park Community Club requesting a suitable building on the Glen Park Playground. Letters ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Commission has included the cost of erecting a building at Glen Park Playground in next year's budget and if there is no change in the budget appropriation, the building will be erected.

A communication was received from the Mayor's Office which was addressed to Mayor Rossi from the Mayor of Los Angeles, extending an invitation to him or his delegates to attend the International Recreation Congress, July 23d-29th inclusive.. Letter ordered filed.

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Mrs. Stern reported she received an answer from Mayor Rossi to our recent communication authorizing the Commission to select a delegate from the Recreation Department to represent the City of San Francisco at the Recreation Conference.

Mr. Thomas P. Slevin of the City Attorney's Office stated he has consulted with the Attorney General's Office regarding this department's securing the China Cove property in perpetuity. This cannot be done. Therefore, he was asked by the Recreation Commission to make inquiry regarding a long term lease, preferably for ninety-nine years, which could not be abrogated before the expiration date unless agreed to by both parties, i.e. the Recreation Commission and the State Park Commission.

Mr. McLaren reminded the Commission to take up the necessary measures with our representatives in Congress to prevent the State from placing docks or wharfs at China Cove.

In discussing the requests of the Communists for the use of Playground facilities, on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously decided to write to the City Attorney's Office for a legal opinion regarding this matter.

The Superintendent reported that the Board of Education has asked this department to consider taking over the extra curricula activities now being handled by the Public Schools. After discussing the matter the Commission asked Miss Randall to secure further details regarding the expense involved.

Mr. Pack reported on the estimated cost of constructing a fence on the four sides of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Commission approved the erection of a six foot vertical woven wire fence with an overhanging fence of one foot and three strands of barbed wire at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove for the approximate cost of one thousand four hundred and one dollars and forty-eight cents ($1,401.48). Ayes: Mr. Gwinn, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Mrs. Stern.

Mr. Pack reported on the cost of installing two reinforced concrete lavatories which would be placed underground at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Commission approved this installation which will cost approximately one thousand nine hundred dollars ($1,900.00). Ayes: Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Berendsen, Mrs. Stern.

Mr. Pack further reported that bids for plumbing installation at three grounds, i.e. Potrero Hill, Visitacion Valley, and the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove have been advertised, and will be opened on May 16th. The work at Potrero Hill will cost approximately two hundred and eighty dollars ($280.00), at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove approximately eight hundred and eighty dollars ($880.00), and at Visitacion Valley, three hundred and fifty dollars ($350.00). On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Commission approved this work. Ayes: Mr. Gwinn, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Mrs. Stern.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Commission approved the installation of plumbing in one of the lavatories at Camp Mather to cost approximately three hundred and fifty dollars ($350.00). Ayes: Mr. McLaren, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Berendsen.

On motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved work on the boys' side of Margaret S. Hayward Playground which is to provide asphalt surfacing of two basketball and two tennis courts at an approximate cost of nine hundred and sixty-three dollars and fifty cents ($963.50). Ayes: Mr. Gwinn, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mrs. Stern, the Commission decided to enlarge the [illegible] room and erect a fireplace in the Julius Kahn Field House at an estimated cost of one thousand and fifty dollars ($1,050.00), provided it is ascertained on June 1st that there are sufficient funds in this year's budget to take care of this improvement. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Gilbert Weigle has agreed to accept two hundred dollars ($200.00) for his work on the Annual Report. Mr. Ralph McElwaine will finish the report and a substitute can be assigned to his playgrounds. The Commission, on motion of Mrs. Stern, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, approved the Superintendent's report.

The Superintendent reported that one of our best caretakers failing to pass the recent Civil Service Examination for Caretakers. The Commission passed the Superintendent to investigate the matter and report back to them.

She further reported that several who did pass the Caretakers' examination were dismissed from the department some years ago. Mrs. Stern stated she will follow up this matter.

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San Francisco; May 4, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING (CONTINUED).

Mr. Pack reported that Mr. Samuel Brooker, a former playground caretaker, who was discharged by him for intemperance, incompetency, and absence from his playground while in our employ, is appealing his case before the Civil Service Commission. The Commission suggested that the City Attorney be asked for his opinion in the matter.

Mr. Pack also reported that Mr. James McDermott, a caretaker, who recently resigned to receive his retirement money in order to meet his financial obligations is now applying for a reinstatement through political friends.

The Superintendent reported thatthe Police Department regrets the closing of the Garfield Schoolyard Playground by this Department because of the great value of our work in eliminating Juvenile Delinquency. The Commission suggested informing the Mayor and Chief Administrator of this fact.

The Superintendent reported that the Home of the Good Shepherd near Portola Playground has asked for a recreation leader one hour weekly. The Commission will be unable to do this because of their policy which does not permit them to provide leadership for private institutions.

The Superintendent reported that due to an objection in hiring an employed Physical Education Instructor, she will place one of the unemployed Physical Education Instructors who meets with Mr. Gwinn's approval, at the new James Lick Jr. High School Gymnasium.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Ida B. Young
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, May 9, 1932.

SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 4 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;

Absent: Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. George Hearst.

The purpose of this meeting was to consider several Civil Service matters and the appointment of the Superintendent as Appointive Officer for this Commission.

SAMUEL BROOKER, CARETAKER

The Superintendent reported that Samuel Brooker has appealed to the Civil Service Commission for reinstatement, claiming that he was dismissed by the Engineer of this department and not by the Recreation Commission which is legally the appointive officer.

The Commission, on motion of Mr. William H. Leahy, seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen unanimously agreed to permit Mr. Samuel Brooker, Caretaker, to return to duty subject to his signing a waiver of all compensation for the period of his absence from duty and further upon his signing a blank resignation.

It is further moved that the City Attorney be requested to draw the waiver and resignation, and the Superintendent was instructed to secure Mr. Brooker's signature prior to his reinstatement.

The Superintendent was further instructed to advise the Civil Service Commission of the Recreation Commission's willingness to reinstate Samuel Brooker upon the above conditions.

The City Attorney further advised that the Recreation Commission adopt a resolution giving the Superintendent the power to dismiss employees in the future.

The Commission unanimously approved the suggested procedure and adopted the following resolution:

RESOLUTION APPOINTING ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF RECREATION COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, now effective, in Section 19 thereof, empowers Commissions, appointed by the Mayor, to appoint a secretary, a superintendent, or other executive to be the administrative head of the affairs under its control, and which person shall be invested with the powers and duties set out in Section 20 of said Charter.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that MISS JEANETTE I. PARLAN be and (she) is appointed the Administrative Head of the affairs under the control of the Recreation Commission and that the said SUPERINTENDENT shall have the powers and duties of the said position as the same are set out in Section 20, of the said Charter.

Adopted, Secretary's Office, San Francisco, California, May 3, 1932.

Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen,
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

EXAMINATIONS FOR CARETAKERS

The Superintendent reported that three of the persons who passed the examination, i.e. Thomas Wall, William J. Clifford, and Thomas Murphy were dismissed from the department in 1930. On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Berendsen and unanimously carried, the Commission asked that a letter be sent to the Civil Service Commission advising them of the unfavorable record of these three men who were formerly employed by this Commission.

The Superintendent further reported that two of our best caretakers, i.e. Edgar Coffey and Charles Johnson did not pass the examination. On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen and unanimously carried, the Commission asked that a letter be sent to the Civil Service Commission regarding the splendid services of these men.

EXAMINATION PUBLICITY AGENT.

The Superintendent reported that Ralph McElwaine passed first and Howard Harvey second. Mr. Leahy reported that Mr. Harvey did not claim his Veteran's preference when taking the examination.

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The Commission did not act on this matter.

POSITIONS AT CAMP MATHER

In recognition of the Mayor's letter regarding new positions, the Superintendent reported that there are three twenty-five dollar ($25.00) a month vacancies and one fifty dollar ($50.00) a month vacancy existing at Mather for this summer. The Commission unanimously recommended sending a letter to the Mayor advising him that the following people have applied and are qualified to fill the positions, i.e. Daniel McCarthy, Thomas O'Toole, Joseph Finnegan, and Bernie McCann. Mr. Berendsen asked that Mr. O. Schmidt be considered for a camp position.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 5:10 p.m.

Edna B. Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, May 18, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was called to order this day at the hour of 2:15 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

Absent: Mr. George Hearst;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. John McLaren.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of May 4th and May 9th were on motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Leahy, unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

An opinion was received from the City Attorney's Office indicating that Messrs. Allan B. Jones and Charles F. Roedel are Civil Service employees. Letter ordered filed.

Two letters were received, one from Admiral Frank H. Schofield, Commander-in-Chief of the United States Fleet, and one from Mr. H. A. Loomis of the Army and Navy Y.M.C.A., thanking the Commission for their cooperation in furnishing athletic facilities for the men of the U. S. Fleet. Letters ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Public Utilities Commission denying the request for the use of the Balboa and Amazon Reservoir sites for baseball fields. Letter ordered filed, and the Chairman stated she is arranging a meeting with the Public Utilities Commission to reopen the subject.

A report was received from the Board of Public Health indicating the fact that the water in the swimming pools maintained by this department is purer than drinking water. Report ordered filed.

Mr. Williams, whose four children attend the Rochambeau Playground, reported on the unsatisfactory conduct and inattention to duty on the part of one of the playground directors, Miss Grace O'Brien. Therefore, on motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously referred the matter to Miss Randall for action. They suggested that Dr. Milton Lennon, Miss O'Brien's doctor, be advised of the situation.

Mr. Thomas Slevin of the City Attorney's Office reported on China Cove. He stated the City Attorney's Office is sending an opinion to this Commission regarding the possession of the property. He further stated the Attorney General's Office will pass on the legality of a contract drawn up by this Commission concerning the leasing of the property. The State Park Commission stated they were planning to make provision for the sale of Eighty Thousand Dollars ($80,000.00) worth of bonds on Thursday, May 19th at 2:30 p.m. providing a formal authorization from the Recreation Commission, indicating that this department will pay Eighty Thousand Dollars ($80,000.00) to the State by July 15, 1932, is received before 2:30 p.m. tomorrow. On motion of Mr. Gwinn seconded by Mr. Leahy the Commission unanimously passed a motion authorizing Mr. Slevin to go with Mrs. E. A. Brown, State Park Commissioner, to the Attorney General's Office and in the event that a satisfactory agreement can be entered into between this Commission and the State Park Commission providing for the operation of the China Cove property by the Recreation Commission for fifty years or longer, then this department will send a letter indicating the acceptance of the agreement and the payment of the Eighty Thousand Dollars ($80,000.00) by July 15, 1932.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously decided that the Finance Committee be authorized to make a study of the next fiscal year's budget for 1932-1933.

The Commission asked that a letter be sent to the Civil Service Commission requesting the names of those who passed the Caretakers' and the Publicity Agent's examination. Miss Randall was instructed to notify Mr. Howard Hanvey to discontinue his publicity work for this department. The Commission did not take action regarding the Publicity Agent's position.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously passed the following resolution:

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RESOLVED that the Recreation Commission ask the following employees to furnish bond in the sum specified, and that the premium on said bond be paid for by the City and County of San Francisco:

Norman R. Center,	Camp Supervisor	$3,000.
Rene Gibson,	Chief Accountant	3,000.
Veda B. Young,	Secretary	1,250.
Harriette M.O'Neill,	Clerk-Stenographer	1,250.
		$8,500.

The above bond is to become effective on the eighth day of June, the date the present Fidelity Schedule Bond, S.F. 1764, expires.

AYES: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously granted a leave of absence to Mr. Ed. Atkinson, laborer, for a period of approximately three and one-half months commencing June 1, 1932 in order that he may accept the position of Chef at the San Francisco Municipal Camp during that time.

Resolution #2

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously passed the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the contract for the following improvement to be made in the City and County of San Francisco, in pursuance of the provisions of the charter of said City and County, to-wit:

The installation of plumbing at the following playgrounds: Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, Nineteenth Avenue and Sloat Blvd.; Visitacion Valley Playground, Cora, Leland, Delta, and Visitacion Streets; and Potrero Hill Playground, Twenty-second and Arkansas Streets.

Be and the same is hereby awarded to O'Mara & Stewart, Ltd., they being the lowest regular and responsible bidder therefor, at the following price, to-wit:

Nine Hundred and Seventy-Seven Dollars ($977.00).

And all the other bids received for the above described improvement are hereby rejected.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Recreation Commission on the 18th day of May 1932.

AYES: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Joe Marron, Photographer for the Call-Bulletin, inquired regarding the taking of pictures at the San Francisco Municipal Camp this year while he is there on his vacation. The Commission authorized Miss Randall to make a decision in the matter.

The Engineer reported the need for filing equipment to cost approximately Two Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars ($225.00) and a new Ford Truck to replace the present 1924 model. On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn the purchase of this equipment was unanimously authorized provided there is sufficient money in this year's budget to take care of same. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Mrs. Stern reported that one hundred and twenty-five delegates to the International Recreation Congress will be entertained by this Department and cooperating city organizations at an approximate cost of Twelve Hundred Dollars ($1200.00). The San Francisco Convention Bureau is endeavoring to receive the necessary money for this expense.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4 p.m.

Veda B. Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 1, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. John Mc Laren;
Absent: Mr. George Hearst;

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 18th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

The Commission passed the following resolution of acceptance:

RESOLVED that the bill submitted by Michel and Pfeffer Iron Works, Inc. in the sum of Two Thousand and Ninety Dollars, ($2090.00) for furnishing and erecting fencing at the Margaret S. Hayward Playground located at Golden Gate Avenue and Gough Streets be approved for payment in compliance with the recommendation of Mr. H. B. Pack, Engineer for the Recreation Commission who inspected said work and who finds that said work covered by the contract has been fully and satisfactorily completed in accordance with plans and specifications therefor.

Approved. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern; Miss Alicia Mosgrove; Mr. Wm. H. Leahy; Mr. J. C. Berendsen; Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn; Mr. John McLaren.

The commission also passed the following resolution governing the signing of contracts:

RESOLVED that all formal contracts for work to be performed on any and all of the properties that are under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco Recreation Commission be signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Recreation Commission.

Approved. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern; Miss Alicia Mosgrove; Mr. Wm. H. Leahy; Mr. J. C. Berendsen; Mr. Jos. M. Gwinn; Mr. John Mclaren.

Mr. J. Kochan the carpenter at Portola Playground has asked to be placed on an emergency relief basis of Forty Dollars a month and groceries. The Superintendent was authorized to make a decision in this matter.

The Chairman announced that the dedication of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove would be on Saturday, June 4th at 2:30 P.M.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Walsh of the Mayor's Office inquired if this department can use the Municipal Railway property at 7th. Ave. and Dewey Blvd. for playground purposes. On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided not to accept this property because it is impractical for our purpose and there is no money available for its maintenance.

The Superintendent also reported that Mr. Walsh of the Mayor's Office inquired if this department can use another piece of Municipal Railway property located at the Carl Street entrance of the Sunset Tunnel. The Commission decided to investigate the property.

The Superintendent reported that she has seen Dr. Milton Lennon regarding Miss Grace O'Brien, and that he will see Miss O'Brien regarding her condition and advise her to take a leave of absence.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:05 P.M.

Veda B. Young
Secretary

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San Francisco, June 15, 1934.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 7:15 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mesgrove;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. Wm. A. Leary;
Mr. J. C. Berendzen;
Mr. Joseph Marr Cone;
Mr. George Wyatt

Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of June 1st were on motion, regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Board of Education assuring this department that the site of the former Ace Valley Junior High School at 16th and Douglass Streets which was recently turned over to this Commission, will not be sold for some time. Letter ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. John McLaren, seconded by Miss Mesgrove and carried, the Secretary was instructed to send a letter to the Director of Public Works asking him to start the necessary procedure to close and vacate Grand Street between 15th and 16th streets and to grade the entire width of 16th Ave. and adjacent to the established grade. (Instructed not to send letter)

On motion of Miss Mesgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendzen, the Commission decided to accept the Ethan Allen School Building and property located at 7th and Bryant streets, and the Burnett School Building and property located at Cortland Avenue and Moulte's Street from the Board of Education for recreational purposes. The property is to remain under the ownership and control of the Board of Education. A letter of acceptance is to be sent to the Honorable Board of Education.

Mr. J. J. Phillips requested that the Mountain View Cemetery property is still tied up in the courts. He will ask for two more rooms after the property is available.

In discussing the Sutro Baths and Cliff House question the Secretary was instructed to send a letter to the Park Commission requesting information that there will never be a liability to the City & County Commission for the extension of the sewer which is located on their property on the cove.

In discussing the lease and possible sale of Seal Cove, it was decided that Miss Mesgrove take up the matter with Mr. Daly of the State Park Commission.

The Commission authorized the printing of two thousand copies of the Annual Report and then approved the publishing of the Annual Folder.

The Commission approved employing Mr. Maurice Sweeney to handle boys' activities.

The Commission asked that a requisition be sent to the Civil Service Commission to fill the position formerly held by Miss Alexis McCarty.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. McSweeney's former position was abolished and a new position has been created which will be classified according to the salary standardization scale of the Civil Service Commission.

The Superintendent reported that Miss Grace Jarvis is taking an indefinite leave of absence.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10 P.M.

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Secretary

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San Francisco, July 6, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:30 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove.

Absent: Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. George Hearst.

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter was received from the Balboa Terrace Homes' Association regarding activities at Aptos Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Superintendent to reply.

A petition was received through Mr. A. J. Cleary's office from the Eureka Valley District, accompanied by a letter from Miss Della Larsen of 249 States Street asking for the establishment of a playground in their district. Petition ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that while the Commission is mindful of the need for a playground in that district, there are not sufficient funds available in this year's budget to consider the request at this time.

A petition was received from the Ocean View District from H. W. Hanson of 30 Faxon Avenue asking the Commission to install five hundred bleachers at the baseball diamonds. The Commission decided to allot the circus bleachers to the several playgrounds requesting seats, and estimated that bleachers providing a seating capacity of one hundred will be available for Ocean View Playground. Petition ordered filed and the Secretary to notify Mr. Hanson of the Commission's decision.

A resolution was received from the Board of Education granting the Commission the use of the Ethan Allen School Building and property at Bryant and 7th Streets, and the Bernal School buildings and property at Cortland Avenue between Andover and Moultrie Streets. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to notify the Board of Education of the Recreation Commission's approval.

The Superintendent suggested that Miss Eleanor Meed who operates the Bernal Community Center use the Bernal School building for her activities, and act as the director in charge and be paid by the Community Chest as at present. Miss Randall was authorized to take up this matter with Mr. Ray W. Smith, Executive Secretary of theCommunity Chest and have the agreement in writing. The Superintendent further reported that Miss Kate Felton would like the present Bernal Community Center used for unemployed men under our supervision, if satisfactory arrangements can be made, and would like the Community Chest to continue to bear the running expenses of the building as at present.

The Superintendent reported that if finances do not permit remodeling the Ethan Allen School building for an industrial center, it can be used for an unemployed center until such time as a reconstruction program is possible.

Mr. Pack reported that at the Bernal school site the principal expenditure would be the removal of the large building which Mr. E. A. McManus who is in charge of the unemployed relief labor for the Associated Charities will wreck. He is to receive the lumber he needs and the type of lumber this department needs will be reserved.

Mr. Pack's conservative estimate to convert the Ethan Allen School building into a full size gymnasium with bleacher seats, showers, dressing rooms, and club rooms, is Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00). The Superintendent stated she will make a study of the budget to see what possibility there is to improve the Ethan Allen School building.

A resolution was received from the Board of Education granting the Commission the two bungalows located at the Henry Durant School site which are to be moved to the Margaret S. Hayward Playground. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply that the arrangements are satisfactory.

The Commission on motion of Miss Mosgrove seconded by Mrs. Stern, and approved, decided to have the two bungalows at the Henry Durant School moved to the Margaret S. Hayward Playground, at a cost of approximately One Hundred and Forty Dollars ($140.00).

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Mr. Pack stated that he would like the Commission to purchase the one remaining house on the storeyard, for this department, located at 15th and York Streets. The Commission approved the purchase in the sum of Fifty Dollars ($50.00). Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern.

Mr. Pack reported that the prorsta for this department for the sewer assessment at the Potrero Hill Site will be approximately One Hundred and Forty Dollars ($140.00).

Mr. Pack presented Mr. Harman's map indicating possible roadways leading into the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove and was asked to consult with Mr. John McLaren on this subject.

Captain F. M. Bock, Jr. appeared before the Commission to receive approval for the 2nd Battalion of the 25th Marine Reserves to drill on the Margaret S. Hayward Playground two evenings a month. The Commission approved the request as an experiment.

Mr. E. G. Cahill, Manager Public Utilities Commission appeared before the Commission and stated that Mr. J. H. McCallum is to go with him to see the two reservoir sites that are being considered for baseball diamonds. Mr. Cahill stated he did not think the Ocean Avenue site would be available but thought the Crocker Amazon one might be used. He also presented pictures made by an Army Air Photographer of China Cove which will be valuable in planning the development of this area.

Miss Mosgrove reported that she saw Mr. William E. Colby, State Park Commissioner, regarding China Cove. Thematter will come up before their Commission on Thursday, July 7th for further consideration.

Mrs. Stern asked that a copy of the photographs taken from the air of China Cove be given to Mr. Bernard I. Maybeck and that he be asked when he can give this department a sketch of the proposed development which can be shown to interested residents.

In discussing the use of the stable located at 705 Greenwich Street for recreational purposes the Commissionrecommended that if possible this department pay the rent. Miss Randall will make a further study of the expenses to be borne by this department and the special emergency recreation committee.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Harman is making a careful study of the James Rolph Jr. Playground boundaries and has discovered that the roadway and a portion of the property of adjoining residents belong to this department. He will investigate the matter further.

The Commission decided to purchase one hundred folding chairs as per sample submitted to cost One Hundred and Ten Dollars ($110.00), which are to be used at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. Ayes: Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern.

Mr. Pack stated he will design a chair that may be satisfactory for concert purposes, and will make a study of seating arrangements.

The Commission decided that a new Buick car which is to be operated by Mr. Kimball be purchased at this time. This item is included in the Budget.

Miss Randall mentioned that the Boy Scouts are to camp in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove on July 16th and 17th.

The Commission decided upon the advisability of having fire rings constructed at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. The matter will be studied further.

The Commission approved the employment of Miss Blanche Wilson to do part-time work at the Dramatic Studio which will include stenographic work and the supervision of the sewing, washing, and unemployed women.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 5:30 P. M.

Veda B. Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco, July 20, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. John McLaren.

Absent: Mr. William H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. George Hearst.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of June 15th and July 6th were on motions regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

A letter addressed to Mrs. Sigmund Stern was received from Mrs. H. G. Douglas asking for the use of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove for a non-sectarian service. Mrs. Stern's reply denying the request because it is against a policy of this department was on motion of Miss Mosgrove seconded by Mr. Gwinn unanimously confirmed. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply to Mrs. Douglas.

A letter was received from Dr. Andrew B. Musante, Secretary Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association requesting additional bleacher seats at Funston. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that whenever the playground summer circus program is over bleacher seats will be available for Funston Playground.

A letter was received from Mr. Ralph W. Wiley, Chief Department of Electricity, regarding the placing of two buildings in the Margaret S. Hayward Playground. Letter ordered filed, and Mr. Pack is to inquire into the legality of the matter before proceeding with the work. Mr. McLaren will endeavor to see Fire Chief Brennan regarding this matter.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported his conversation with Mrs. Gregory of the State Park Commission. The State Park Commission wants a letter from the City Attorney to the effect that whenever the sewer near China Cove has to be extended it will not be a liability to them. Mr. Phillips will follow up this matter with Mr. O'Toole. Mrs. Gregory stated that their sanitation expert, Mr. C. G. Gillespie, will look into the sanitation of the beach. Mr. Phillips stated he will make arrangements to have a contract drawn up to provide for a fifty year lease.

The Superintendent outlined the automobile tour for delegates of the International Recreation Congress to be conducted by the San Francisco Recreation Commission on Thursday, July 21st and spoke of the barbecue luncheon to be held in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove.

The Commission on motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Gwinn unanimously decided that the entertainment expense for the delegates including food, caterer, and program be met from this department's Petty Cash Fund. Ayes: Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

Miss Randall presented a reallocation of the budget funds to meet this year's decreased appropriation. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously adopted the Superintendent's budget report subject to the approval of the chairman of the finance committee.

Mr. Pack presented a map of the suggested roadway leading into the Grove. Mr. McLaren suggested a plan which entailed the purchase of Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars' ($24,000.00) worth of land. The matter was discussed but no action was taken.

Mr. Pack presented a letter from Mr. W. H. Worden, Director of Public Works, regarding the request for street work on Wawona Street between 19th and 20th. Letter ordered filed, and Mr. Pack instructed to advise Mr. Worden that the Commission is not making any recommendation in the matter.

The meeting was declared adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Veda B. Young
Secretary.

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San Francisco. August 3, 1932.

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Recreation Commission this day, but failed to record a quorum.

The Grand Jury accompanied by several members of the Recreation Commission visited the Recreation Department on this day from 1:30 P.M. until 5 P.M.

Veda B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, August 17,1932.

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Mrs.Sigmund Stern presiding:

Present: Mrs.Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr.Joseph Marr Gwinn

Absent: Mr.Wm.J.Leahy
Mr.J.C.Berendsen
Mr.Geo.Hearst
Mr.John McLaren

Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of July 20th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mrs.A.A.Hendry of 2470 Folsom Street came before the Commission and presented a letter requesting the erection of a high fence on her land to prevent the annoyance and expense caused at present from the balls entering her property from Folsom Playground. The letter was ordered filed, and the Chairman stated this department will look into the situation further and see what can be done to remedy it.

Two letters were received from the Board of Education. One letter was written by Mr.George Levendorks of the Park-Presidio Improvement Club asking that the school lot on 24th. Avenue between Geary and Lake Streets be transferred to this Commission to be used for recreation purposes, and the other letter was the Board of Education's reply to same. The letters were ordered filed and the Secretary was instructed to inform the interested parties that this department has no funds at the present time to use in the development of new property and does not plan to take action in having this property transferred now.

A letter was received from Mr.Charles A.Stephens of the B.P.O.Elks #3, informing this department that forty-three books were donated by them to the Hayes Valley Recreation Center. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to reply thanking them for their splendid contribution to the center library.

A communication was received from Miss Eleanor Hood requesting the use of the Kendall Heights Community Center by this Department. Letter ordered filed, and the report contained therein was approved.

A copy of the City Attorney's letter to the State Park Commission was received which assures them that they will have no liability in the cost of construction of the Aquatic Park Bulkhead Beach. Letter ordered filed.

P.J.J.Phillips reported that the Taylor Street lease which was drawn up in the City Attorney's Office is now pending approval by the Attorney General's office.

A letter was received from the State Park Commission, containing Mr.A.B. Gillespie's unfavorable report on the possibilities of Yerba Buena Cove as far as sewage is concerned.

The letters were ordered filed, and Mr.Phillips was authorized to meet with Mr.W.Colby, President State Park Commission, regarding this matter.

Mr.R.H.Stevenson of the Parkside Realty Company addressed the Commission regarding the use of property in which his company is interested and which lies adjoins the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. The property is being considered for parking purposes. It was decided that a letter be drafted by Mr.Stevenson which will meet this Commission's requirements in the matter.

The Superintendent reported that the Civil Service Commission has submitted the list of persons who passed the recent playground director's examination. The Superintendent's recommendations regarding proposed changes in the playground personnel as a result of the examination were unanimously approved by the Commission.

Mr.Pack's estimate on the reconditioning of the Lincoln Alley School Building is Seven Hundred Seventy-five Dollars and Ninety Cents ($775.90). The Commission unanimously approved proceeding with this work immediately.

The Superintendent reported that the baseball teams are anxious to play off their Winter League on the playgrounds under this Department's supervision. The Commission approved this request.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Vida B.Young
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 7, 1932

M E E T I N G

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. George Hearst

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of August 17th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMITTEE

Mrs. Y. B. Jordan of 1231 Fitzgerald Avenue and Mrs. Susan L. Valerga of 42 Gilroy Street, representing the Bayview Promotion Association, appeared before the Commission to request the establishment of a playground and beach development in their neighborhood. The playground request was for the two blocks bounded by Gilman, Ingerson and Griffith Streets and the Bay, and the beach area of six blocks from Donner Avenue to Ingerson Avenue.

The Chairman advised the Committee to investigate the possibility of securing a $1.00 a year lease on the property.

The Chairman reported on the meetings held at the State Park Commission's headquarters regarding China Cove. Mr. Phillips was asked to co-operate with Mrs. Stern in taking up the matter with the Chief Administrator and all others concerned.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. S. J. McFarlands of Coarsegold, Madera County, praising the San Francisco Recreation Camp. Letter ordered filed, and the Secretary to acknowledge the communication.

A communication was received from Major Braden announcing his visit to San Francisco next week. Letter ordered filed, and the communication to be acknowledged.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. John Mooney has been temporarily employed at the St. Mary's Park Playground at $150 per month.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation that the playgrounds be reserved for baseball games in preference to football since there are not enough play areas for both games.

The Superintendent reported that Miss McCarty is not in this Commission's employ any longer, and a Mrs. Louise Mobber, a Civil Service appointee, has taken her place. Her compensation is $125.00 per month.

She further reported that Mr. McElvaney's new position has been created, but his salary warrants have not been released as yet. Mr. Leahy stated he will see Mr. H. K. Wolff of the Civil Service Commission regarding this matter.

The request of the Associated Charities that the unemployed men be given an opportunity to play baseball in the playgrounds is being worked out to the satisfaction of all concerned.

Mr. Pack reported that it will be necessary to move the two bungalows on Margaret S. Hayward Playground to another location near the Associated Charities. The lot, 38' 3" x 137', near the Lutheran Church at Gough & Eddy Streets, was suggested. On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved leasing the property. If it cannot be secured free then they agreed that the Commission pay $10.00 a month, or if necessary the sum equivalent to the yearly taxes.

Mr. Pack reported on the need of extending the Glen Park Playground sewer. On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Leahy, the Commission unanimously approved the work as outlined in Mr. L. G. Tegtmeyer's report to this department.

Mr. Pack reported that 10,000 cu. yds. of fill have been received from Devincenzi Bros. & Co. for the Julius Kahn Playground. The Commission asked that a letter of thanks be sent them for this material.

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Mr. Pack reported that the Associated Charities are wrecking the Bernal School building, and that this department is to receive the lumber we have requested for use on several playground sites.

The Superintendent reported that many favorable letters have been received regarding the Commission's Annual Report and the visit of the International Recreation Delegates to San Francisco.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:50 P. M.

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. George Hearst
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of September 7th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

The Superintendent reported that the Civil Service Commission informed this department that if Mrs. Gertrude Simonton had been on a leave-of-absence while she was awaiting a permanent full-time position she could have been "blanketed in" to her position.

The Recreation Commission decided there was no action to be taken in the matter since the Civil Service Commission had been given the facts and the decision now rests in their hands.

The Commission approved the letter to the Civil Service Commission regarding the dismissal of two former employees, Mr. Aldrich Dahl and Mr. Harold Meyer, who passed the recent Civil Service examination for playground directors.

The request of the Italian Catholic Federation for the use of the North Beach Playground for a competitive drill on Sunday, October 2nd, was unanimously approved.

Miss Mosgrove reported on the success of the Ethan Allen Recreation Center which has been opened recently.

On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission unanimously decided to move the two bungalows on the Margaret S. Hayward Playground to the Funston Annex. Mr.Pack was authorized to make the necessary arrangements.

The Commission decided to look for a suitable building near the Associated Charities where the unemployed men will be provided with shelter and recreation while waiting for work.

The Superintendent reported that the property owners of the beach and playground project in the Bay View District called to state they are having a $1.00 a year lease drawn up and will bring it in soon for the Commission's approval.

Mr. Pack reported on the cost of reconditioning the Bernal School Building for recreation purposes. On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. McLaren the Commission unanimously approved spending the approximate sum of $603.00 to make the necessary repairs and alterations in providing this recreation center. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Pack reported on the progress of the work at Camp Mather. The lake area has been drained and there is a large supply of sand and gravel available for the construction of tennis courts. With the use of unemployed labor two tennis courts can be constructed for $[illegible].00. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously approved the construction of two tennis courts to cost approximately $[illegible].00. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Pack further reported that the swamps are being filled in, the growth of algae and grass in the lake is being cleared out, and a large area is being covered with loam on which turf will be grown.

The Superintendent reported that permission has been received to tear down the old mill located near the lake.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, the Commission unanimously decided that no trees, shrubs or vines be cut down or improvements made on the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove without permission from Mrs. Stern or Miss Kendall.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:15 P. M.

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San Francisco, October 5, 1932

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern,
Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy,
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren,
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn,
Mr. George Hearst.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 21st were on motion regularly moved and carried approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from the Park Commission enclosing a letter from Mrs. Elizabeth A. Spencer of 701 Post Street inquiring if this department can use the three lots on 39th Avenue between Vicente and Wawona Streets for recreation purposes. The Superintendent reported that a letter had been written to Mrs. Spencer asking on what basis her property was offered for use but no reply had been received to date. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

A letter was received from Mr. Leonard S. Leavy regarding the use of this department's revolving fund to pay for catering and food supplies for the entertainment of the International Recreation Congress delegates. The Commission authorized Mr. J. C. Berendsen to call on the Chief Administrator and inquire if the bill can be approved out of an allocation from Publicity and Advertising. The letter was held in abeyance.

A letter was received from Mrs. Wm. Fish of 1301 Leavenworth Street asking the Commission to establish a playground in the vicinity of the Washington Ungraded School. Letter ordered filed and the Secretary to reply that the Superintendent was authorized to investigate the request.

A copy of Mayor Rossi's letter to the Governor regarding China Cove was presented. Letter ordered filed, and Mr. J. C. Berendsen stated he would send a telegram urging the Governor to take action immediately. The Commission decided to follow up the matter with the State Park Commission.

The Commission decided if funds were available to employ additional unemployed men at Camp Mather. The Superintendent stated she will find out if there are any funds available for this purpose. Mr. Pack was authorized to find out from Mr. Wollenberg if the food for the men can be furnished out of the bond fund money.

Mr. Gene Riordan stated the owners of the Bay View beach and recreation area, comprising 5¾ acres, are willing to lease the property at $1.00 a year provided this Commission pays the yearly taxes and assessments. The taxes amounted to $80.60 last year.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission decided to hold the matter over until the next meeting and to visit the property in the meantime.

In discussing the Commission's application for the use of the 50 acre Crocker Amazon Reservoir site, it was decided that members of the Public Utilities Commission be seen regarding this matter. Mr. Leahy stated he would see Col. Geo. Filmer; Mr. Berendsen planned to see Mr. Edwin M. Eddy, and Mrs. Stern will see Mr. Lewis F. Byington. The Commission also decided to send representatives to the next meeting of the Public Utilities Commission.

Mr. Gerald Linares was asked to have a report ready for the next Commission meeting on the baseball diamonds, and the advisability of charging for the use of same.

The Superintendent reported on Mrs. Gertrude Simonton's request to be "blanketed in". On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Leahy, the Commission unanimously passed a motion that Mrs. Simonton be regarded as having been on leave of absence from full time work from June 9, 1930 until March 9, 1931 when she resumed full time work. The Civil Service Commission are to be notified accordingly.

The Commission discussed a request of Mr. George M. Greene to have a hearing before them relative to the purchase of the Trocadero property. It was decided that Mr. J. J. Phillips and Mr. Leahy call together to see Mr. Luther Elkins, the attorney interested in the purchase.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Aldrich Dahl has submitted a letter to the Civil Service Commission cancelling his right to a playground position. He has asked this department to withdraw its protest on his suitability for a position as playground director, in order that he will not be banned from holding a Civil Service position in any other department of the city. The Commission approved this request.

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The Superintendent further reported that Mr. V. McElhaney passed Civil Service for Supervisor of Recreation Supplies and Equipment, that Mr. Lester J. Maynard passed first as Foreman of Buildings and Grounds at Camp Lachey, and Mr. Allen Jones passed third as Superintendent of Grounds. Mr. Jones will be retained in his present capacity as Laborer Full-Foreman since he was "Grandfathered-in". Because of insufficient funds, the position of Superintendent of Grounds will not be filled at present.

The Superintendent reported on the need for additional turf tables and chairs for the playgrounds. She was authorized, on motion of Miss Musgrove, seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen and unanimously carried, to purchase the equipment needed if the necessary funds are available, but not to exceed the sum of $[illegible] - Ayes: Miss Musgrove, Mrs. Stern, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent recommended that the gymnasiums at the Marina Junior High School and the Visita" High School be opened for night use. The Commission approved this recommendation and requested the Superintendent to make the necessary request to the Board of Education.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at [illegible] P. M.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 19, 1932.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Musgrove;
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

Absent: Mr. George Hearst.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of October 5th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Dr. Elizabeth A. Spencer regarding the property she offered this Commission which comprises three lots on 39th Avenue between Vicente and Wawona Streets. Mr. McLaren reported he visited the property but in its present state it is not satisfactory for recreation activities. The Commission unanimously decided to accept the property with the understanding that it could not be developed for recreation purposes at this time or at any definite time in the future. The Secretary was asked to so notify Dr. Spencer. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. James J. Maher, Secretary Civil Service Commission, indicating that Mr. Aldrich Dahl resigned from the list of eligible playground directors. The letter was ordered filed.

The Commission authorized Mrs. Stern to represent them before the Civil Service Commission regarding the several matters which have come up recently concerning this department.

The Chairman reported that the Commissioners have been working on the plan to have the Crocker Amazon Reservoir site turned over to this department, and intend to follow up the matter with Mr. E. G. Cahill, Manager of the Public Utilities Commission.

Mrs. Stern reported that Mr. Joseph R. Knowland, member of the State Park Commission, met with two members of the Recreation Commission on October 15th, and asked for a letter from this Commission embodying the following facts: If the Recreation Commission takes over China Cove a fence will be placed along the border of the beach during construction operations, that signs prohibiting swimming will be placed on the beach, and that when the area is completed for public use a recreation director will be in charge and see that the beach is not used until it is considered sanitary. Such a letter was sent to them by the Superintendent on October 18th.

It was also reported that the State Park Commission wants a favorable letter from the Governor before they will take action. Mr. George Tourney and Mr. Harry B. Allen are taking care of this. Mr. J. J. Phillips stated he will see Mr. Theodore Roche regarding this matter.

Mrs. Stern reported that Mr. Alfred Cleary, Chief Administrator, has asked this department to forward to him the bills incurred for the entertainment of the International Recreation Congress delegates and he will take care of them through the publicity and advertising funds.

The Chairman reported that the foreman hired by this department at the rate of $240.00 per month to supervise the work performed by the unemployed men will in future be paid from funds under Mr. C. M. Tellenberg's charge and not from the Recreation Department funds.

On motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. [illegible] and unanimously carried, the Commission decided to lease the Bay View Ocean and Recreation Area located at Gilman, Ingerson and Griffith streets and the bay, for the sum of $1.00 a year and also to pay the annual taxes on the property. Mr. J. J. Phillips was authorized to prepare the lease.

Mr. Linares reported on the advisability of charging for the use of baseball facilities to cover operation and maintenance, if a site for the construction of additional baseball diamonds is procured. He also reported on the advantages of charging for basketball teams in a building that would be especially designed for this activity. Mr. Leahy requested definite figures on the cost of constructing suitable baseball and basketball facilities.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of [illegible] P. M.

Secretary.

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San Francisco, November 2, 1932

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy;
Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. George Hearst.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of October 19, 1932, were on action of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Dr. Elizabeth A. Spencer regarding her property on 39th Avenue between Vicente and Wawona Streets. The letter was held in abeyance and the Commission decided to visit the property before the next meeting.

A communication was received from Mr. Peter Catenich of 1934-10th Avenue requesting the establishment of a children's playground on 8th Avenue between Ortega and Pacheco Streets. The letter was held in abeyance and the Commission decided to visit the property.

The Commission decided to investigate the possibility of having a suitable recreation exhibit at the World's Fair in Chicago in 1933.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Alicia Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided to have the playground children participate in the Christmas Parade sponsored by the Downtown Association.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Superintendent's suggestion that Miss Young be placed in general charge of the work to provide additional activities for the unemployed in co-operation with the Associated Charities, was approved. It was also decided that Mr. McElvaney be placed in charge of the work now handled by Miss Young in addition to his own work, and that Miss Borchde assist him in addition to her assignment as Evening Director of the Girls' High School Gymnasium. This plan is to become effective immediately, and is to continue while the need exists.

Mr. W. McElvaney reported on the matter appertaining to the compensation due him from this department. The Commission, on motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, passed the following resolution and asked that it be forwarded to the parties concerned in order to effect payment:

WHEREAS W. L. McElvaney has been continuously in the employ of this department since February 24, 1931, but was dropped from the payroll on April 8, 1932 owing to Civil Service regulations, and

WHEREAS This Commission did, on June 8, 1932, request of the Civil Service Commission, in writing, the creation of the position of Supervisor of Recreation Supplies and Equipment, requesting further that the position be filled at once on an emergency basis, and

WHEREAS W. L. McElvaney has served this Department without compensation, keeping important work current with no additional expense to the department during the period from May 25th to September 1, 1932;

BE IT RESOLVED By this Commission that the sum of $240.00 from current funds in its appropriation be paid to the said W. L. McElvaney in payment for services rendered, with the approval of this Commission, from July 16, 1932, to September 1, 1932, and that necessary steps be taken to effect said payment, through the enactment of an ordinance, or otherwise, as may be deemed expedient.

The Commission decided that Mr. Pack's report on the erection of suitable baseball and basketball facilities be held over until the next Commission meeting at which time Mr. Wm. H. Leahy will be present.

The Chairman reported that a special meeting was held on October 27, 1932 in the State Building at which time the following persons

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were present, for the purpose of expediting the acquisition of China Cove for public recreation:

His Excellency, James Rolph Jr., Governor, State of California;
His Honor, Angelo J. Rossi, Mayor of San Francisco;
Honorable Alfred J. Cleary, Chief Administrator, San Francisco;
Mrs. Sigmund Stern, President, Recreation Commission;
[redacted] Commissioner;
Mr. J. C. Berandsen, Recreation Commissioner;
Miss Josephine D. Randall, Superintendent of Recreation, San Francisco;
Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, San Francisco;
Mr. Wm. E. Colby, Chairman, State Park Commission;
Mr. Harry D. Allen, owner, China Cove property;
Mr. Noel Sullivan, nephew of Senator James D. Phelan.

The Governor requested that action be delayed until a meeting is called at which time Mrs. E. M. Brown, the San Francisco member of the State Park Commission, is present.

The Governor stated that he would call the meeting in the near future.

On motion of Mr. Berandsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the payment of the laundry bill of the Camp personnel during the time the camp is in operation, and decided the amount should be paid from the Recreation Department's funds.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 8:40 P. M.

Vera B. Young
Secretary.

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Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Commission this day. At the Chairman's decision the meeting was called off, and it was decided to hold a special meeting in the near future at which time important Commission matters could be taken up.

Vera B. Young
Secretary.

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SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 11:00 A. M. in Room 370 City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. The meeting was called for the purpose of taking action on two leases and the purchase of a parcel of land.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern;
Miss Alicia Mosgrove;
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy;
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn;
Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Absent: Mr. John McLaren;
Mr. George Hearst.

CROCKER AMAZON RESERVOIR SITE

On motion of Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That this department as Lessee enter into a written lease with the Public Utilities Commission of the City and County of San Francisco, as Lessor, to lease that certain parcel of land in San Francisco, California, bounded on the South by Geneva Avenue, on the West by Moscow Street, on the North by the North line of Assessor's Block 6284A, and on the East by the roadway running southerly from La Grande Avenue to Geneva Avenue, for playground purposes for a term of ten (10) years from and after June 1, 1933 at a rental of $150.00 per month, payable monthly in advance.

Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

On motion of Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, seconded by Miss Alicia Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the lease between the Recreation Commission and the Public Utilities Commission for that certain parcel of land described in the foregoing resolution, upon the following terms and conditions:

1. The term of this lease shall be for ten (10) years from and after June 1, 1933. The rental shall be One Hundred Fifty and 00/100 Dollars ($150.00) per month, payable monthly in advance.

2. The Lessee shall not sublet any portion of the above described land without the written consent of the Lessor.

3. Failure to pay the monthly rent within a reasonable time shall terminate the lease, and at the option of the Lessor the Lessee may upon thirty (30) days written notice remove all or any improvements erected on the premises by the Lessee.

Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

BAY VIEW LAND at Griffith St. and Gilman Ave.

On motion of Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously approved the following Resolution, and the Lease between the Bay View Land Company and the Recreation Commission:

RESOLVED, That this Commission in behalf of the City and County of San Francisco as Lessee enter into a written lease with Bay View Land Company, a corporation, as Lessor, to lease that certain 5.75 acre parcel of land consisting of Assessor's Block 4963 and a portion of Assessor's Block 4945A in San Francisco, California, for playground purposes for a term of one (1) year from and after November 15, 1932, and thereafter from month to month until cancelled by either party on thirty (30) days notice; at a rental of One Dollar ($1.00) for the first year and One Dollar ($1.00) per year thereafter, and in addition thereto the Lessee shall reimburse the Lessor for all taxes and assessments paid by the Lessor on said land and on any improvements erected thereon by the Lessee during the term of said lease, and any extension thereof.

Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Sterm, Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

LAND NEAR 19th AVENUE AND SLOAT BOULEVARD

On motion of Miss Alicia Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn, the Commission unanimously approved the following resolution:

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RESOLVED, That this Commission, on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco, hereby accepts a deed to a portion of Assessor's Block 2490 in San Francisco, California, which land is more particularly described as Parcel 3 in that certain written agreement dated October 1, 1931, between the former Playground Commissioners of the City and County of San Francisco and Boulevard Realty Company; and that the sum of $13,333.00, together with the sum of $1,755.74 for interest and taxes, as per said agreement be paid for said land out of 1932-1933 Budget Appropriation No. 36.

Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 11:50 A..M.

Leda B. Young
SECRETARY

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San Francisco, December 7, 1932

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. Geo. Hinkel

MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of November 2nd were, upon motion duly made and seconded, corrected and approved; and the minutes of special meeting of November 25th approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter dated December 6th, directed to the attention of Mr. Pack, was received from Mr. W. H. Worden, Director, Department of Public Works, quoting in part a communication from the North Beach Promotion Association, requesting that a play area be provided on the lot situated on the south side of Bay Street between Hyde and Larkin Streets, owned by the San Francisco Water Department.

Owing to the fact that this property would have to be purchased from the Water Department, and the further fact that this Department has no funds presently available for the purchase or development of new areas, it was decided to give no further consideration to the matter at this time, and the Secretary directed to so advise the Promotion Association.

Consideration was given to acceptance of the property at Wawona and Vicente Streets offered the City by Dr. Elizabeth Spencer. Miss Mosgrove called attention to the fact that the lot is situated in the middle of the block surrounded by sand dunes, with no street leading up to it and that the Department would have to assume the cost of necessary street improvements.

Mr. Pack was asked to investigate and report on the probable cost of street work and no action will be taken pending receipt of this information. It was suggested, however, that Miss Randall get in touch with Dr. Spencer and discuss the matter further.

The property at 9th Avenue and Ortega Street was discussed at some length. Miss Randall advised that it would be a desirable location for a small play area and Mr. Pack stated that it could be readily brought to grade with unemployed labor at a cost of approximately $750.00. Since funds are not available at this time for further development, it was thought best to take over this property from the School Department, grade it and utilize the area, deferring further improvement until a later date.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Superintendent was directed to secure the necessary permission from the Board of Education for the use of this property, and proceed with grading work as may be found convenient.

Mr. Pack reported some difficulty in securing an adequate force of men from the unemployed group to satisfactorily care for work in progress. He stated that this Department is now using approximately 660 men per day but could readily absorb up to 300 more. Mrs. Stern advised that she would take the matter up with Mr. Wollenberg in an endeavor to supply our current requirements.

Mrs. Stern called attention to the growth of weeds and thistles in the turf at Julius Kahn Playground. Mr. Pack stated that this condition would be corrected, and recommended that this area be withheld from play until after the rainy season to permit the turf to become firmly rooted.

Request of the Reis Tract Improvement Club for a play area in McLaren Park was brought to the attention of the Commission by Miss Randall, who stated that the matter had been referred to the Park Commission, which in turn advised that it was a matter under the jurisdiction of the Recreation Commission. It was suggested, before taking any further action, that Mr. McLaren look over the property in question and make a recommendation concerning it at the next meeting.

Miss Randall stated that she had been asked if the Recreation Commission would provide a supervisor for Alta Plaza if requested to do so. It was the consensus of opinion that the Recreation Commission would look with favor upon the supervision of this area if called upon to do so.

The question of pictures for exhibit at the World's Fair was brought up and discussed at some length. Miss Randall stated that space would be provided and it was thought desirable that representative pictures of departmental activities be placed on display. Mrs. Stern mentioned the desirability of proper lighting for any pictures so exhibited. Miss Mosgrove will confer with Miss Randall in the selection of pictures for this purpose.

Miss Randall mentioned that no action had been taken in the matter of compensation for services due Mr. McElvaney. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was decided that a letter be directed to City Attorney O'Toole requesting advice and action in the matter.

Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, entered the meeting at this point and was questioned concerning the lease with the Public Utilities Commission covering the property at Geneva and Moscow Streets, to be used for playground purposes.

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Mr. Phillips advised that the matter would come before a meeting of the Public Utilities Commission on Monday evening, the 12th, and definite action would be taken at that time. Mrs. Stern advised that she would confer with interested parties prior to that meeting.

Negotiations for the acquisition of China Beach were discussed at some length. Mr. McLaren agreed to confer with Mrs. Brown of the State Park Commission concerning the matter. It was indicated that the State Park Commission was prepared to conclude negotiations whenever the Governor's sanction was secured.

Miss Randall reported the receipt of a communication from Mr. Lathrop stating that a portion of Butano Forest will be offered the State Park Board for park purposes provided the remaining portion is provided by the State and he suggested that if this is done the Recreation Commission could request a portion of the land for their all-year-round camp site.

Mr. Pack reported on the cost of improving the Crocker Amazon Reservoir Site, stating that construction costs to include irrigation lines, bleachers and shower rooms as originally contemplated would approximate $63,900.00 of which about $6,000.00 would represent unskilled labor from unemployment groups; however, that the tract could be graded and placed in turf at a cost of approximately $16,500.00. No definite action was taken at this time.

Miss Randall informed the Commission that the San Francisco Chronicle had requested playground children to be used in singing Christmas carols at hospitals and homes for the aged, the Chronicle to provide bus transportation and bear other expense incident thereto.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted to co-operate with the Chronicle in this respect.

Mr. Pack requested an opinion on the provision of a small reservoir for the water supply system at the Sigmund Stern Grove, stating that the cost would be around $2,400.00. Mrs. Stern suggested that a small artificial lake at the lower level near the gardens would prove attractive. Mr. McLaren suggested a supply reservoir on one of the upper levels, with a small water fall to an overflow lake at the bottom. No definite action was taken at this time.

Miss Randall was asked for a report on the Relief Recreation program recently inaugurated, and gave the following information. The movement is an outgrowth of the necessity for some recreational opportunities for members of the unemployed groups as a means of occupying their leisure hours, looking to the prevention of a breakdown in morale.

A committee was formed, known as the Citizens' Unemployment Recreation Committee, and Mr. Alfred Raas appointed Chairman. The Centers at Ethan Allen, Bernal Heights, Funston Annex and Hayes Valley have been made available for this work. Reading rooms, games and tools for handicraft work in the manufacture of toys and household novelties and gifts are being made available. A total of fourteen centers will be utilized in this work in the mornings, and some of them in the evenings. A number of playground directors, whose mornings are free, have volunteered their services for this work, and, augmented by leaders from the several relief agencies, these groups should have ample supervision.

It is contemplated that neighborhood churches and libraries that have social halls or basements will also be utilized for this purpose. Community centers, supported in whole or part by the Community Chest, are also being thrown open for this work.

Expense incurred by the Recreation Commission in carrying out this program is being held to the absolute minimum, and a large part of the supplies and equipment are being secured through donations from firms and individuals.

Miss Randall also reported that a day shelter is being provided adjoining the soup kitchen at 6th and Folsom Streets, equipped with rooms for reading, games, etc., which should prove of inestimable value during the rainy season when the men are unable to work, and congregate in large numbers in this district.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:00 P. M.

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Regular meeting scheduled for this date, at Mr. Leahy's suggestion, in the absence of Mrs. Stern from the City, was postponed to January 4th.

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San Francisco, January 4, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Since this was a minority meeting, all action is subject to ratification at the next regular meeting of the Commission at which a quorum is present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. George Hearst
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 7th were, on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Mr. Braden of the National Recreation Association, advising of his proposed visit to San Francisco, January 11th to 14th, and suggesting that Mrs. Stern sponsor its annual appeal, was read and given some discussion.

Due to Mrs. Stern's absence from the State and to the fact that there may be a misunderstanding in the minds of those receiving the appeal letters if they are signed by a member of the Recreation Commission, it was suggested that the National Association request this service of some one not officially associated with the municipal department.

The Commission will welcome Mr. Braden at one of its regular executive staff meetings.

A Mrs. Fitcham came before the Commission in an endeavor to interest it in the presentation of an opera and entertainment, the proceeds from which would be donated to relief funds.

It was explained that the Recreation Commission was not in position to participate in or sponsor a program of this character, and the offer declined.

A letter was received from the Crocker Amazon Park Improvement Association suggesting that the proposed play area at Geneva and Moscow Streets be named the Schlessinger Park, in honor of Mr. Schlessinger who has devoted considerable time and effort to the matter.

It was pointed out that since the property is leased it would not be within the province of this Commission to bestow or suggest a permanent name for it; further, that it has been the practice in the past to designate playgrounds by names with some geographic significance, such as Bay View, Portola, Excelsior, etc., rather than by the name of a living individual. The Secretary was instructed to advise the Improvement Association of our position in the matter.

A letter from Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, enclosing copy of a letter from Mr. L. T. McAfee, Engineer, to Mr. Cahill, Manager of the Public Utilities Commission, discussing terms of the lease on Crocker Amazon Tract and suggesting certain new provisions, was read and discussed in detail.

It was decided that Mr. Pack would look into the matter and confer with Engineer McAfee in an endeavor to reach mutually satisfactory conclusions.

A communication from the North End Improvement Association requesting a playground on the Spring Valley lot on Bay Street between Hyde and Larkin was read to the Commission.

This matter has heretofore been discussed at length and the Secretary was instructed to advise the Improvement Association that it would be impossible to undertake this project at the present time.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

> RESOLVED That the widening of Army Street for a distance of some 71 feet fronting James Rolph Playground, and changes in property lines at the corner of Army Street and Potrero Avenue, as indicated on blueprint No. A 1141 on file in the Engineering Office, be and the same are hereby approved, and that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of Property and to the Board of Public Works.

Mr. Pack reported that the cost of necessary street improvement work contiguous to the property of Dr. Elizabeth Spencer at Wawona and Vicente Street would amount to approximately $12.00 per front foot or a total of $900.00. Mr. Pack stated further that it has always been the policy of this Commission not to spend Recreation funds for street improvement work.

Upon motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was decided that this policy be maintained.

Miss Randall reported that she had written Dr. Spencer concerning acceptance of the above property but had not yet heard from her and the matter is still pending.

Mr. Pack reported on work in progress by the Construction and Maintenance Department as follows:

Completed moving and conditioning two buildings at Funston Annex
Completed equipping Bernal Center
Work in progress on additional building at Bernal site
Loam applied to upper plane of St. Mary's Playground
Pipe lines being installed on Potrero Hill
Grading in progress on upper plane at Douglass
Planting turf on lower plane at Douglass
Grading in progress at 24th and Douglass
Excavating lake and filling stage in progress at Sigmund Stern Grove
Surveys of all sites owned by Recreation Commission completed - mapping in progress
Maintenance of all property continued
Grading at Gilman Street site in progress

Mr. Pack further reported that he is not receiving the number of men from the unemployed groups that are necessary to the work in progress.

Mr. McLaren was asked for his recommendation concerning the Reis Tract in McLaren Park and suggested that it first be determined on which side of Cowden Street the proposed area is located before a definite decision is made. Mr. McLaren will visit the site suggested.

Miss Randall advised that Mrs. Stewart was interested in the development of club groups for young people and wished to secure a suitable meeting place, suggesting the field house at Rochambeau Playground. It has been our policy heretofore to prohibit such use of our buildings unless an employee of the department was in charge which entails some expense. Miss Randall thought the party reliable and was inclined to favor the arrangement as an experiment.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was agreed to authorize this use of our building at Rochambeau, terminable at the pleasure of this Commission, and making Mrs. Stewart wholly responsible for the building and equipment.

Miss Randall stated that Miss Felton of the Associated Charities has reported an artist, Mr. Scherbakoff, on the unemployment relief list and suggested that we might use him to advantage on the playgrounds teaching children in art work and crafts, thus helping him and deriving some benefit ourselves. He has worked with children before and it was felt that some such arrangement might prove advantageous. Upon motion, duly made and seconded, it was decided to give the plan a trial.

No action had been taken in the matter of compensation due Mr. McElvaney and Mr. Berendsen agreed to take the matter up further with City Attorney O'Toole.

Miss Randall asked for advice relative to presenting to this Commission at the first regular meeting each month, detailed reports from Department heads, and it was felt that this was a desirable thing to do, and so ordered.

Miss Randall reported that the singing of Christmas carols was participated in by about 100 children and visits made to the Mayor's office in the City Hall, Mr. John McLaren's home, the Marina Hospital and Letterman Hospital. The San Francisco Chronicle was praised for its co-operation and the excellent bus service in caring for the children.

Miss Mosgrove reported that at a meeting of the Federated Women's Club, of which Mrs. Brown, State Park Commissioner, is a member, a resolution was drawn opposing the purchase of China Beach and Mrs. White, President of the Club, gave a talk in support of the resolution at the last meeting of the State Park Commission. Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, spoke on the matter, endeavoring to clear up the situation. The two new members felt that the matter was too controversial for immediate decision and action was postponed until a meeting in the South in February.

Concerning the question of sewage at China Beach, Mr. McLaren suggested that moneys from the Sewer Bond Fund might be available for this purpose and recommended a sewage disposal system similar to that in Golden Gate Park which has proven highly satisfactory.

Miss Randall advised that this matter had already been taken up with Chief Administrator Cleary and that an appropriation for clearing up the sewage disposal problem might be included in the 1934-1935 Budget.

Miss Randall reported the return to duty of Mr. and Mrs. George Harman (nee Gibson) and the consequent termination of temporary employment of Mr. Martin Judnich, Bookkeeper. She stated that Mr. Judnich's services had been eminently satisfactory and recommended that a letter of appreciation and commendation be sent to the Civil Service Commission, which will be done.

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Reporting on the progress of the Relief Recreation program, Miss Randall advised that the centers at Southside, Hayes Valley, Funston and Bernal Heights were already engaged in the work and that Jackson, Portola, Excelsior, Michaelangelo, Helen Wills and Rochambeau Playgrounds would be similarly engaged before the 20th of January. A total of 958 articles have been made by the men at the centers; 110 doll houses and doll chairs, beds, tables, etc. They are now engaged in making waste baskets, book shelves and other gifts for the home. Miss Mosgrove also voiced appreciation of the fine co-operation of Mr. Merrill of the Lick-Wilmerding School and suggested that a letter be written to him along those lines, which will be done.

Miss Randall reported that Miss Felton of the Associated Charities is working on a plan to provide some gainful occupation for young men between the ages of 18 and 21 whose families are receiving groceries from relief funds by reason of some other member of the family working with the unemployed groups. There are about 600 such young men and Miss Felton's thought was to divide them into about six groups of 100 each, working them alternately four days per week. She stated that they have a young architect on the $40.00 per month payroll who could direct the activities of these young men and that they could engage in various kinds of cabinet work, making chairs, tables, and other useful and necessary articles for this department. Mr. Raas, Chairman of the Relief Recreation Committee, is endeavoring to secure through donations lumber, paint and other materials for this work.

It was reported that publicity received by this department on the Christmas Eve Program was very poor, indicating a lack of co-operation on the part of the newspapers.

Mr. Berendsen called attention to the very poor condition of the playing fields at Funston Playground and advised that the department had been subjected to some criticism owing to th t fact. It was the consensus of opinion that these fields should be placed in first class condition as rapidly as possible and upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted that one field be withdrawn from play immediately after the close of the present tournament and placed in condition, and that the remaining area be likewise conditioned as soon as possible thereafter.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 P. M.

Acting Secretary

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San Francisco, January 18, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M., with Mr. Wm. H. Leahy presiding.

Present: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Jos. Marr Gwinn
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern

M I N U T E S

Mr. John P. Murphy, newly appointed Commissioner, was introduced and made welcome to the Recreation Commission.

Minutes of the minority meeting of January 4th were read and upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, all action taken at that meeting was ratified and confirmed, and the minutes approved as read.

A portion of the Mayor's Annual Message to the Board of Supervisors, commending this Commission and its activities, was read and ordered filed. It was suggested that a note of appreciation be sent to the Mayor's office, which will be done.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from the Upper Sunset & Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club, relative to a playground at 9th & Ortega Streets in the Sunset District, was read to the Commission.

This matter had been taken up with the Board of Education for permission to use this area and was to be presented for consideration at their next regular meeting. The Secretary was instructed to advise the Improvement Club of the present status of the matter.

A communication from Mr. W. H. Worden, Director, Department of Public Works, relative to the possible closing of certain streets in and near Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, was read and ordered filed. Mr. Worden indicated that the matter had been referred to the Board of Supervisors, but that he would exert his influence against the closing of any such streets should that be proposed.

A communication from Dr. Roberts of the State Teachers College, expressing the hope that plans might some day be worked out for a new college site, utilizing the present location for a recreation center, was read and ordered filed.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, That this department hereby transfers control of the hereinafter described land to the Department of Public Works of the City and County of San Francisco for the purpose of widening Army Street in the vicinity of Potrero Avenue, and hereby consent to the dedication of said land for street purposes.

The land hereinbefore referred to is a portion of the James Rolph, Jr., Playground in San Francisco, California, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the point of intersection of the northwesterly line of Army Street and the southwesterly line of Potrero Avenue; thence southwesterly along said line of Army Street, 67.30 feet; thence southwesterly along said line of Army Street on the arc of a curve to the left, whose tangent deflects 3° 13' 25" to the right from the preceding course, radius 1264 feet, central angle 3° 13' 25", a distance of 71.12 feet; thence northeasterly, tangent to the preceding curve, 118.38 feet; thence northeasterly, northerly and northwesterly on the arc of a curve to the left, tangent to the preceding course, radius 20 feet, central angle 90°, a distance of 31.42 feet to tangency with aforesaid line of Potrero Avenue; thence southeasterly along said line of Potrero Avenue, 20 feet to the northwesterly line of Army Street and the point of beginning.

BEING a portion of Precita Valley Lands, as per map thereof recorded in Map Book 1, page 85, Records of the City and County of San Francisco.

A letter from Mr. Cahill authorizing the execution of a lease to this Commission covering 15 acres of the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site, and reciting the terms of such a lease, was read and given some discussion.

Plans for the development of this site were gone over briefly and Miss Randall brought up the question of crop damage expense and Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, stated that under the terms of rental agreements with tenants six months' notice to vacate was required, and that while original estimates for this expense were between $5000.00 and $6000.00 he thought it

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should not exceed $3500.00. Mr. Phillips suggested that the lease be accepted, the tenants given immediate notice, and occupancy taken at the expiration of six months.

After further discussion it was agreed that definite action be deferred until the return of Mrs. Stern from the East.

Copy of a letter from Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, to the State Park Commission, advising of their activities looking to the elimination of sewage disposal problems at China Beach, was read and ordered filed. Mr. Casey estimated that a plant of approximately six million gallons daily, involving an investment of some $150,000 would insure satisfactory sanitary conditions along the beaches.

Miss Randall directed attention to the present financial condition of the department owing to tax delinquencies, and also to the amendment to the City Charter just ratified by the State Legislature providing for the transfer to a "Cash Reserve Fund" of any unexpended balances in our appropriation at the end of each fiscal year.

At the suggestion of Mr. Leahy, a Committee was appointed, composed of Mr. Berendsen, Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Leahy, Mr. Berendsen to act as Chairman, to look into financial matters affecting the department generally, and also the classification and salary rating of various employees of the department looking to an equitable revision of classification and adjustment of compensation.

A meeting of this Committee will be held at 2:00 P. M. on Tuesday, the 24th.

Miss Randall again brought to the attention of the Commission the request of the Reis Tract Improvement Club for a playground in McLaren Park. She pointed out that this location is only a comparatively short distance from our Visitacion Valley Playground site and that the City owns only one small block at this point.

After some discussion it was agreed that the matter be held in abeyance for the time being and the proponents of the McLaren Park Playground so advised.

Miss Randall indicated her plan to attend the White House Conference on Child Health and Protection at Sacramento on the 21st, accompanied by Mr. Kimbell and Mr. DeMeyer for the purpose of looking over recreation facilities in that City. Mr. Leahy suggested that if convenient Miss Mosgrove accompany them to Sacramento, and upon motion duly made and seconded the trip and expense incident thereto was unanimously approved.

The question of compensation due Mr. McElvaney for services rendered had not yet been disposed of and Mr. Leahy agreed to again take the matter up with City Attorney O'Toole in an effort to effect payment of the amount due without further delay.

Mr. Phillips advised of the progress being made in the abandonment of a portion of the Odd Fellows Cemetery, and the possibility of a playground in this district at some later date was discussed briefly. Mr. Phillips agreed to keep this Commission informed concerning the matter and no action was taken at this time.

Mr. Pack reported on the progress being made with unemployment labor and his negotiations with Mr. Wollenberg, in charge of administering relief funds, looking to the provision of certain necessary supplies and materials from such funds, and will advise as to the outcome.

Mr. Center, Supervisor of Mountain Camp at Mather, was invited to come before the Commission and made a very interesting report of activities at the Camp this season. He sketched briefly the improvements that had been undertaken and completed this year, giving tentative figures on cost, etc. He explained further that all improvement work undertaken by this Commission would eventually have to be done by the City in any event, under terms of the Raker Act under which the City occupies land for its Hetch Hetchy operations.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted that Mr. Center be highly commended for his most excellent work at Camp this year and in previous years.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:45 P. M.

Acting Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 1, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mr. Wm. H. Leahy presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

Upon motion duly made and seconded minutes of the meeting of January 18th were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Controller Leavy relative to the budget's appropriation of this department was read and ordered filed. This, together with other financial matters affecting the department, will be gone into by the Special Committee on Finances, a meeting of which has been called for Monday, the 6th.

A communication from Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, concerning the proposed lease of a portion of the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site was read and briefly discussed.

In keeping with prior decision this matter will be held in abeyance until Mrs. Stern's return.

Miss Randall brought to the attention of the Commission, just as a matter of information, the case of one of our young women directors whose actions indicate the necessity for medical treatment.

Mr. Pack reported upon the result of his negotiations with Mr. Wollenberg looking to the provision from relief funds of certain necessary supplies for this department in the use of unemployed men, stating that while Mr. Wollenberg was in favor of and had recommended their assuming such charges, State authorities prohibited the use of relief bond funds for anything other than subsistence, medical attention and necessary personnel, and for that reason he was unable to go further in absorbing any of this expense from relief funds.

Mr. Berendsen reported that he had attended several conferences relative to a possible reduction in the tax allotment of 7¢ for this department and that it had been definitely determined not to include such a change in proposed charter amendments. Mr. Berendsen was commended for his activity with respect to this important matter.

Mr. E. J. Riordan of the Real Estate Department came before the meeting with a plat of the Odd Fellows Cemetery site. He had tentatively sketched a playground site consisting of some 8 acres, 740 feet long, 450 feet wide at one end and 510 feet wide at the other. However, he recommended as a preferable location the site at the corner of First Avenue and Edward Street approximately 400 x 600 ft.

After some discussion it was decided that Mr. Pack would look over the location, including the old crematorium building, recommending a site of suitable size with approximate estimates for the necessary layout, etc.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 2:45 P. M.

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San Francisco, February 15, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. John P. Murphy

Absent: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of February 1st were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

The next order of business was the election of President and Vice-President, respectively, of the Recreation Commission for 1933.

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. McLaren, Mrs. Stern was unanimously re-elected President.

Upon motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Murphy, Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, was unanimously re-elected Vice-President.

The following committees were thereupon appointed by the Chair to act for the ensuing year.

Finance Committee: Mr. Leahy
Mr. Murphy

Camp Committee: Miss Mosgrove
Mr. Berendsen

Grounds Committee: Mr. McLaren
Mrs. Stern

Play Committee: Mr. Gwinn
Miss Mosgrove

Mr. Pack reported on his investigation of the Odd Fellows Cemetery property and presented a sketch of a proposed playground site. It was stated that playground facilities are badly needed in this area and Mr. Pack informed the Commission that this location would be readily adaptable to playground purposes and that the cost of development would be in the neighborhood of $45,000.00.

Mr. Pack directed attention to the fact that considerable street work would be involved in the development of this property and it was the sense of the meeting that the policy heretofore adopted, that recreation funds would not be expended for street improvements, would be adhered to.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the matter was tabled for discussion at a later date and possible inclusion in our budget as an expenditure from some special appropriation.

Miss Randall presented the revised figures as given her by the Controller, and the Commission approved the following curtailment in expenditures for the remainder of the current fiscal year:

Swimming pools not opened until July 1st	$5,000.00
Salary of Sunday Directors from $5.00 to $4.00 per day.....	550.00
Pianist rate changed from $2.50 to $2.00 per call	400.00
Substitute rate changed from 75¢ per hour for first two hours to 50¢ per hour.....	50.00
Saving on materials and supplies for unemployed projects	23,756.12
Saving on Funston Field - only one instead of ~~three~~ baseball diamonds re-surfaced, graded and backstop	3,500.00
	$32,256.12

The matter of the Crocker-Amazon lease came up for discussion and Mrs. Stern expressed the opinion that the acreage offered would be insufficient for our purpose, having in mind the necessary expense for development, and this opinion was shared by others present. Mr. Murphy advised that he would take the matter up with the Utilities Commission at their next meeting looking to a more liberal agreement, and will report the result of his efforts at the next meeting of this Commission.

Miss Randall mentioned again the case of one of our young women directors whose physical and mental condition precludes active duty, and advised that a leave of absence for the young woman had been requested.

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Miss Randall stated that to grant a leave of absence under the circumstances would create rather a difficult situation and asked for an expression of opinion in the matter. After some discussion it was suggested and decided that Miss Randall confer with the physician in charge of the case, get his opinion in the matter, and report with her recommendation at the next meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association relative to the bocci ball courts at Funston Annex was read to the Commission. The Association felt that additional courts should be provided. It was pointed out that no funds are available at this time for the further development of this ground and the Secretary instructed to acquaint the Association of our position in the matter.

A letter from Mr. Charles Thiebaut offering for sale his property at 36 Cunningham Place, adjoining our Mission Playground, was brought to the Commission's attention and the Secretary instructed to advise Mr. Thiebaut that no funds are available at present for the acquisition or development of any new property.

At this point attention was called to the desirability of some playground facilities in Corona Heights in the vicinity of 16th or 17th Streets and Roosevelt Way, and a tour of inspection to look over this area will be undertaken at some convenient time.

Letters of commendation were read from Mrs. Bucher of the Hebrew Home for Aged in appreciation of an entertainment there, and from Mrs. Frost in connection with activities at Ocean View, and were ordered acknowledged and filed.

Miss Randall advised of work being done in repairing baseball diamonds and asked permission of Mr. McLaren to temporarily book baseball games on the diamonds in Balboa Park, which was granted.

The three day Camp Conference at Pacific Grove was brought to attention and Miss Randall recommended that Mr. Center and Miss McGreevy attend. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was unanimously voted that the trip and expense incident thereto be authorized.

Miss Randall advised that Mrs. Kohler of the Juvenile Court had spoken to her relative to providing some recreational facilities for girls. Mrs. Stern expressed approval of the idea and suggested that Miss Young confer with Mrs. Kohler to determine what would be required and report on the matter at the next meeting, which will be done.

Attention was called to a meeting of Directors and Employees of this Department at Hayes Valley Recreation Center, Saturday the 18th, for the purpose of electing delegates to the Federation of Municipal Employees. Miss Randall stated that our employees are paying dues to the organization but have not heretofore participated in their activities or had any representation.

Mrs. Stern asked for an expression of opinion with respect to permitting outside groups to use the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove for concerts and similar entertainments. Those present indicated their approval of such a plan.

Mr. Pack was asked to follow the matter of securing from the Spring Valley land or other sources an adequate supply of ferns for the Grove, which will be done.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 P. M.

ACTING SECRETARY

Playground Commission

San Francisco, March 1, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

Absent: Miss Alicia Mosgrove

MINUTES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, minutes of the meeting of February 15th were corrected and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A gracious note from Mrs. Stern upon the occasion of her homecoming from the East was read to the Commission, appreciation of her thoughtfulness expressed and the communication ordered filed.

Copy of a letter from Mrs. Clara May Davis to Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, concerning further liability in the purchase of Sigmund Stern Grove was brought to the attention of the Commission. Mr. Phillips stated that the letter in question finally disposed of the matter.

A communication from the Twelfth Naval District in appreciation of the use of our facilities and the co-operation of our staff during the visit of the fleet was read and ordered filed.

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The special committee, of which Mr. Berendsen was Chairman, appointed at the meeting of January 18th, to undertake revision of budgeted expenditures for the remainder of the current fiscal year, was discharged with special commendation for its excellent work in this direction.

Mrs. Stern reported her attendance at the State Park Commission meeting in Los Angeles at which time the entire China Cove matter was gone into. Mrs. Stern briefly reviewed the proceedings and stated that there was some difference of opinion and requested that decision be deferred to the next meeting in San Francisco. Mrs. Stern further advised that Mr. Cleary was hopeful that funds for sanitary improvements at China Beach might be available for inclusion in the 1934-35 budget.

A resolution was presented, the effect of which was to set aside and reserve $30,000 from our current appropriation to meet the payment on China Cove if and when the same becomes due, or to use that amount for other improvements as might be deemed expedient.

After some discussion, upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Leahy, it was unanimously voted to refer the resolution to City Attorney O'Toole for an opinion as to the legality of the proposed procedure and our rights in the expenditure of the sum in question for other purposes in the event the China Cove transaction was not consummated.

The matter will again be brought before the Commission for further action at its next meeting.

Mr. Phillips at this point brought in and introduced Mr. Scott, identified with the development of the old Odd Fellows Cemetery property. Mr. Scott presented a plat of the property in question showing tentative development plans, on which he had sketched a playground site, approximately 5½ acres, 600' x 400', at the corner of Arguello and Edwards. This proposed site is nearly level, fronts on two streets and could be developed at minimum expense.

Asked the value of the property, Mr. Scott stated that he would estimate a tract of seven or eight acres at approximately $100,000.

The matter was discussed at length but no definite action taken beyond the suggestion that $30,000 be included in our 1933-34 budget for the purchase of additional land in the Richmond District.

Mr. Scott urged early decision in the matter as they are anxious to determine on the final development plans. Mr. Leahy stated that the matter would be given consideration and that Mr. Phillips would later get in touch with Mr. Scott. It was agreed that an early inspection trip would be made to look over this and other sites.

Mr. Leahy at this point directed attention to the fact that we have a number of construction projects now under way and that we might expect soon to reach the saturation point on our present allotment of funds in the development of new property. He counselled

caution in the planning of new projects.

Miss Randall reported on the case of the young woman director who had requested a leave of absence due to her physical and mental condition and, upon motion duly made and seconded, it was voted that the request be denied.

Miss Randall presented for approval Recreation Department Annual Budget for 1933-1934 in the total sum of $614,815.41.

This amount includes funds for the completion and operation of grounds at St. Mary's, Potrero Hill, Visitacion Valley, 38th & Fulton, and continued work on the sites at Crocker-Amazon, at the foot of Gilman Street and also $30,000 to cover additional land for playground purposes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the budget was unanimously approved as rendered.

Miss Randall also reviewed the personnel organization of the Department stating that salaries in general were below the minimum fixed by the Civil Service Commission in its Standardization of Salaries Schedule; further that all employees have been doing excellent work and in the majority of cases their activities have been increased and expanded due to the growth and development of the department. It was her recommendation that equitable adjustments be made as soon as possible.

Upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the compensation of Mr. W. L. McElvaney, Supervisor of Supplies & Equipment, was adjusted to $200.00 per month; and that of Mr. G. Linares, Supervisor of Adult Athletics, to $185.00 per month, this action being taken on basis of increasing activity and hours of service in these two departments.

The matter of compensation to Mr. McElvaney for services rendered was again brought up and upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED that the sum of $576.00 be paid from this Commission's current appropriation for Contractual Services to W. L. McElvaney to cover special services in full rendered at the instance of the Commission in the survey of records and methods and the installation of systems and procedure to comply with Charter provisions in the handling of materials and supplies, the purchase and use thereof and the provision of adequate records to account therefor, in co-operation with the Bureau of Supplies and the Office of Controller.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 P. M.

Acting Secretary

San Francisco, March 15, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this date at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John P. Murphy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

Absent: None

MINUTES Minutes March 1st approved.

Mr. Schlessinger came before the meeting in the interest of the Crocker-Amazon development, was told that negotiations were pending with the Public Utilities Commission looking to leasing a larger portion of the tract and was assured that the matter would be prosecuted with due diligence.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication from the North Beach Promotion Association requesting that funds be included in next year's budget for the purchase of the Water Department lot on Bay Street between Hyde and Larkin for playground purposes, was read to the commission. It was again decided that no funds would be available for the acquisition or development of this property and the Secretary instructed to so advise the Promotion Association.

A letter from the California Housing Association in the interest of legislation permitting loans from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for housing purposes was presented.

Action was deferred and the Secretary instructed to secure a copy of the proposed bill for study and consideration.

The question of using school property for holding weekly dances was brought up for discussion. This is a matter in which the Parent Teachers Association is interested and Mr. Gwinn stated that the Board of Education preferred to deal with the Recreation Commission and hold them responsible for school property rather than an outside organization. Miss Mosgrove spoke of successful dance programs conducted at the South Side Center and voiced the opinion that the proposed dance programs could be adequately controlled through clubs of young people. After some further discussion, upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was voted that Miss Mosgrove be delegated to confer with the P-T-A, investigate the matter thoroughly and report to the Commission at its next meeting.

Miss Randall advised that the present supply of letterhead is about exhausted and recommended that the form be revised. Several specimens were examined and preference expressed for a letterhead similar to that of the Park Commission. The matter was left in Miss Randall's hands for final decision.

Mrs. Stern advised that she had spoken to Supervisor Hayden relative to the China Cove matter and also to Mayor Rossi who indicated he would take it up again with the Governor. Mrs. Stern requested suggestions as to what if any further moves should be made by this Commission in the meantime. After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that the Commission would wait upon the Mayor in a body upon adjournment.

The Odd Fellows Cemetery property was again brought up for discussion. Mr. Phillips presented maps and sketched an additional area consisting of 6 lots which it was felt desirable to acquire. These lots comprising an area approximately 100 x 153 feet were appraised at approximately $10,630.00. Using an approximate value of $75,000.00 for the original plat it was tentatively agreed that the following terms might be agreeable: $15,000.00 on or before June 30th, 1933, and $20,000.00 on or before December 5th, in each of three succeeding years or until paid, with the interest rate as low as might be possible. The matter was left in Mr. Phillips' hands for further negotiation and report, and no definite action taken at this time.

Miss Randall reported that Mr. Pack was in extremely bad health and felt it necessary to be away from his work for a time to recuperate. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Leahy, it was unanimously voted that Mr. Pack be permitted to absent himself from duty for a period of three or four weeks to permit of his full recovery. The Commission voiced regret at the condition of his health and expressed the hope of his speedy recovery.

Mr. Pack stated that this action of the Commission was very much appreciated.

Upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren was authorized and requested to secure for this Commission

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250 cherry trees from the shipment consigned to the City by the Japanese Government, to be planted at sites selected and designated by the Grounds Committee.

Miss Randall reported the certification by the Civil Service Commission of Mr. F. O. Foehr, Supervisor of Grounds, and stated that he has no available transportation and that it was impracticable to cover the ground on street cars. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee with authority to purchase a small car if funds for the purpose are available at this time.

Miss Randall advised that Mr. Wollenberg, head of the Relief Organization, was being criticized by Mr. Uhl and others for permitting development of the Gilman Street tract with unemployment labor under a lease for the property of only one year's duration. She stated further that all work on the tract had been suspended pending the outcome of the controversy. Mr. Phillips stated that the entire property consisting of 70 acres could have been acquired by the City for $35,000 and he at one time held an option on it at that price. After some discussion Mr. Phillips agreed to endeavor the negotiation of a five-year lease on two blocks of this property, with possibly an option to purchase under favorable circumstances. No further action was taken and Mr. Phillips will report the outcome of his investigation.

Mr. Pack, reporting on the use of unemployed labor, stated that they were now using explosives on three projects and the powderman heretofore used for this work had been taken from the list as not being entitled to relief. After discussion, upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Pack was authorized to requisition a man at $75.00 per month, which is permissible under the classification of Laborer in the revised salary ordinance.

Mrs. Stern stated in her opinion the Department is not receiving adequate publicity on its activities and requested an expression of opinion in the matter. Miss Randall stated that funds were not now available for any additional work but expressed the hope that some solution might soon be found as the department is seriously handicapped in this respect.

Miss Mosgrove presented figures on Camp Mather stating that last season resulted in an operating profit of approximately $5,365.00. She sketched the camp history in brief reporting its development in the past few years from an operating deficit of about $4,000.00 a year to a profit over operation and maintenance in the peak year of $7,500.00, stating further that the camp now is being operated in a businesslike and efficient manner and in normal years should continue on a very profitable basis.

Mr. Murphy requested that the Commissioners be permitted to look over the list of Camp personnel prior to the opening of the current camp season.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 P. M.

Acting Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 29, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission, called to consider further matters pertaining to the acquisition of China Beach, was held this day at 3:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: None

Minutes March 15th approved.

COMMUNICATION

A letter from Mr. Colby of the State Park Commission to Mrs. Stern, advising of a probable reduction in the appropriation for State Parks and its consequent effect upon the China Cove project, was read to the Commission and given some discussion.

Upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that a letter be sent by the President to Senator Roy Fellom, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, enlisting his support in defeating any move to reduce park appropriations.

Mrs. Stern requested that in addition our Commissioners communicate with Senator Fellom individually, and otherwise exert their influence in the matter.

Miss Randall advised that City Attorney O'Toole would render an opinion soon as to reserving $30,000 from our current funds to meet the payment on China Cove when required to be paid. Miss Randall suggested in this connection that it might be possible to use the $30,000 in our current budget for other land purchase before the close of this fiscal year, since we have provided $30,000 in the 1933-34 budget for land purchase which might be used for China Cove. No action was taken pending receipt of the City Attorney's ruling.

Mrs. Stern asked for further suggestions in the matter and after some discussion, upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that a joint meeting be arranged between this Commission and the State Park Commission at the earliest possible date mutually convenient.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

Acting Secretary

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San Francisco, April 5, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John P. Murphy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

M I N U T E S

Minutes of meeting March 15th and special meeting March 29th were upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Mr. Braden of the National Recreation Commission requesting the attendance and participation of our staff members in the Recreation Conference at Monterey, April 20th-22nd, was read to the meeting. Miss Randall recommended that as many of our staff supervisors as possible attend the conference and upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the trip and expense incident thereto was authorized.

A further communication from the California Housing Association, sponsoring legislation to permit loans from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for housing purposes, was read and briefly discussed. The Secretary was instructed to enlist the support of our Assemblyman in passage of the bill.

A letter from the Palama Settlement House in Honolulu to Mrs. Stern in connection with the recent radio pentathlon was read and ordered filed. Considerable enthusiasm was evidenced by the Honolulu group over this event.

Mr. Murphy presented a copy of his letter to Senator Fellom in connection with State Park appropriations which was read to the commission. The Secretary was instructed to send a copy of this communication to Mr. Colby of the State Park Commission.

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A delegation from the Mission District, for which Mr. Charles E. White, 636 Precita Avenue, was the spokesman, appeared before the Commission to protest against using any portion of James Rolph Playground for purposes of widening Army Street at Hampshire, as proposed by the Department of Public Works.

The matter was discussed at length. It was the consensus of opinion that it would be unwise to sacrifice any portion of James Rolph if it could be avoided. The ground is small at present for senior baseball and is used quite extensively by the residents of that district.

In this connection, Mr. Phillips pointed out the objections to utilizing property from the opposite side of the street for widening purposes; further, that property owners have some financial interest in the matter from the standpoint of property damage claims against the city.

No definite action was taken at this time and Mr. Phillips agreed to take the matter up further with the Board of Works in an endeavor to work out some mutually satisfactory solution.

Mr. Murphy inquired about the progress of the work of resurfacing Funston Field. Mr. Harman, Assistant Engineer, appeared before the Commission giving facts and figures pertaining to cost, stating that the entire field could be resurfaced at this time for an additional cost, over the one diamond, of approximately $4,000.00, and recommended for reasons of engineering economy that this was a very desirable thing to do and Miss Randall stated that contemplated expenditures at 38th & Fulton Street and other sites might be deferred completely to permit completion of Funston.

Mr. Berendsen directed attention to his commitment with respect to the Funston work and the temporary change in plans for economy reasons only, and recommended that the work be completed now if possible.

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that Funston Field in its entirety be resurfaced at this time if funds can be made available.

The matter of weekly dances at schools was again brought up for discussion. Miss Mosgrove felt that the dances were very desirable programs and recommended that they be given a trial. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, Miss Mosgrove was delegated to work out the details with the Parent Teachers Association and Miss Friedman and put the plan into effect at one school until it is determined whether or not a more extensive program would be desirable.

With respect to China Cove, Mr. Phillips advised that there had been a meeting of the Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of

Supervisors last Tuesday and that the group visited the Cove on Saturday. He stated further that the City Attorney was to draw up a resolution favoring the present acquisition of China Cove for presentation at the next Supervisors' meeting.

It was stated that there remains some $392,000.00 in the Sewer Bond Fund and that the City Attorney had been asked for a ruling on the legality of using a portion or all of this fund for correcting sanitary conditions at China Cove.

Mr. Phillips agreed to keep in touch with the situation and advise this Commission of any further developments.

In this connection, Mr. Berendsen advised that he had had a very satisfactory conference with Dr. Geiger relative to China Cove and felt that Dr. Geiger's attitude toward the project was now a friendly one and that he could be relied upon to co-operate with this department. Mr. Berendsen was commended for his activity in this respect.

Mr. Phillips reported that he had not yet gone into the matter of a longer lease on the Gilman Street property but that he would do so as soon as possible and advise the results.

Mr. Riordan of the Real Estate Department reported on his negotiations with Mr. Scott, representing the Odd Fellows Cemetery Association. He stated that they wanted $100,000.00 for the property but that they had tentatively agreed upon a price of $76,895.00 for the tract consisting of approximately 6-1/4 acres. Revised terms of payment were indicated as follows: First payment of $30,000.00 after July 1st, 1933; $20,000 on or before December 5, 1934, and the remainder on or before December 5, 1935.

Mrs. Stern suggested the possibility of a longer term, but Mr. Riordan explained that we would be required to assume taxes and interest upon the unpaid portions so that it would be desirable to liquidate as quickly as possible. He thought possibly interest would be as low as 5%. He was hopeful that negotiations could be closed prior to the next meeting of this Commission.

Miss Randall reported that our director felt some concern over the operation of the Bocci Ball Courts at Funston Annex. He seemed to feel that it had developed into quite a money maker and suggested that some investigation be made.

Miss Randall stated it had been the policy of the department to permit no selling of any kind on the playgrounds. Some thought it might be desirable to rent concessions for sales on certain grounds. Miss Randall was asked to investigate the matter and make a recommendation.

It was reported that the 250 cherry trees from the Japanese Government were received and dedicated at a ceremony in Golden Gate Park at which Mr. Murphy was present. It was suggested that a letter of appreciation to the Consul General of Japan be prepared and signed by each member of the Commission, which will be done.

Mr. Murphy suggested a dedication ceremony at the planting of the first of these trees in the Grove, feeling that it would be good publicity for the department and for the Grove. The matter was given some discussion but no definite action taken at this time.

Mrs. Stern advised that the Western Women's Club had requested the use of the Grove for two days, Saturday May 13th and Sunday May 14th for a musical pageant. She stated that a price of $50.00 plus 15% of the receipts had been named, with the understanding, of course, that the charge would be more upon final completion of the grove. The Commission indicated its approval of this arrangement.

Mrs. Stern also advised that arrangements had been made to widen the road into the Grove from Sloat Boulevard to permit cars to pass on entering and leaving the Grove, and that some paving was to be done within a short time.

Miss Randall called attention to the plan mentioned some time ago of having our several Department Heads report to the Commission on their respective activities. This was felt a desirable thing to do and such reports will hereafter be rendered at the first meeting each month.

The question of personnel for our Mountain Camp was discussed at some length. Mr. Geiger went over the plan of camp personnel and explained the possibilities of its operation.

Mr. Murphy mentioned two young men who had been recommended for camp jobs and he felt that from the standpoint of reciprocity they should be placed if at all possible. One vacancy exists that will take care of one and it was felt that an opportunity to use the other young man might develop before the opening of the season.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned.

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of April 5th were upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

Miss Randall brought to the attention of the meeting the case of Mr. George Barner, Playground Caretaker, who had been dismissed from service because of physical disability. The Civil Service examining physicians recommended his rejection and it was agreed that there the matter would have to stand.

Miss Hester Proctor, Supervisor of Educational Dramatics, appeared before the meeting and gave a very interesting report of the activities of her Department, the number of groups participating and the scope of their programs. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Leahy, Miss Proctor was commended for her thoroughness and enthusiasm.

Miss Proctor also mentioned a new type of puppet that had been demonstrated and the desire of the inventors to interest our department in its use. Miss Mosgrove felt that some specific summer activity was greatly to be desired and Miss Randall suggested that such a program might be combined with the Summer Circus program, or some type of traveling show devised to visit grounds at which the circus would not be shown. Miss Randall was requested to look into the matter and be prepared to make a recommendation at the next meeting.

Mrs. Stern advised that she had visited the Potrero Hill community and heard the group of Russian boys singing. She felt that they made a very creditable showing.

In this connection Miss Randall advised that our director had been withdrawn from Potrero Hill and that she had recommended to the Potrero Hill Center Board of Directors that the Center be opened to all boys of the district. This the Center is now doing and the results will be seen in a few weeks.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously

RESOLVED that a vote of thanks be extended to the Government of Japan for its generosity and to the honorable K. Wakasugi, Consul General, for his good offices in the gift of two hundred and fifty cherry trees for planting in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove; that this resolution be spread in full upon the minutes and a copy thereof, duly executed and attested by the officers and seal of the Commission thereof, be forwarded to the Japanese Consulate in token of its gratitude and esteem.

Miss Mosgrove reported that the matter of dance programs in schools was being given due consideration and that she would report further upon definite plans.

The acquisition of China Cove again came up for discussion and the Secretary was instructed to write the Secretary of the State Park Commission looking to a joint meeting of the two commissions at a mutually convenient date for further discussion in an endeavor to finally dispose of the matter.

Mr. Phillips presented copy of a resolution to come before the Board of Supervisors urging consummation of the transaction, said resolution reading as follows:

WHEREAS, The Recreation Commission of the City and County of San Francisco is desirous of acquiring property commonly known as China Cove to be used as a recreation center and bathing beach in connection with the playground activities of said recreation department; and

WHEREAS, The Recreation Commission has at the present time a sufficient amount of money in its funds to pay one-half the cost thereof; and

WHEREAS, The Park Commission of the State of California has for sometime been considering the matter of joining with the City and County of San Francisco in the purchase of said property, and said Park Commission of the State of California to pay one-half the cost thereof; and

WHEREAS, Said property which will be required for the above

mentioned purpose is increasing in value and if not purchased now can be acquired only at a cost far in excess of the figure for which the same can now be purchased; and

WHEREAS, If the said property could be acquired at the present time for the purpose herein mentioned, the placing of the same in condition will give employment to a large amount of labor; and

WHEREAS, This Board of Supervisors, having been informed that it is the intention of the proper officials and departments of the City and County of San Francisco to correct at the earliest possible moment the insanitary conditions now existing in the vicinity and this Board is desirous of lending its fullest co-operation therein; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does hereby endorse and recommend the acquisition of China Cove for the purposes herein mentioned and requested the Park Commission of the State of California to join with the City and County of San Francisco in the immediate acquisition of said property for the above mentioned purposes; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors does hereby signify its intention of providing the funds necessary to remedy the above mentioned insanitary condition as soon as the same can be done without undue burden upon the tax payers.

Mr. Phillips further advised that City Attorney O'Toole had informally ruled that the $30,000 in our current budget could not be carried forward into the next fiscal year for the purpose of making a payment on China Cove. Mr. O'Toole was also of the opinion, after conferring with bond interests in the East, that no part of the Sewer Bond Fund balance of some $332,000 could be used for clearing up the sanitary conditions at China Beach.

It was suggested that aid for this purpose might be secured from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and Mrs. Stern advised that she would take the matter up with Mr. Loeb in New York and secure some authoritative information on the subject.

Mr. Berendsen presented to the meeting a letter he had received from Senator Roy Fellom relative to proposed reduction in State Park appropriations, in which he pledged his support to defeat any reduction in Park Revenues.

Reporting on the Crocker-Amazon lease, Mr. Phillips advised that the matter was to have been presented at the last meeting of the Public Utilities Commission. There was some question of crop damage, notice to tenants, etc., but Mr. Phillips agreed to follow the matter and was hopeful that a lease could be presented at the next meeting.

Mr. Phillips advised that he had conferred with owners of the Gilman Street property concerning a longer lease and that they had the matter under advisement. A later report will be made concerning it.

Mr. Berendsen at this point called attention to the financial advantages of our department acquiring this property in its entirety if funds could be made available, or the possibility of acquiring it jointly with the Park Commission. The proposition was looked upon with favor but it was agreed to hold the matter in abeyance until a later meeting when Mr. McLaren could be present.

Discussing the acquisition of the Odd Fellows Cemetery tract for playground purposes, it was motioned by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, and unanimously agreed, that since the China Cove transaction could not be consummated before the close of this fiscal year, $30,000 could be applied on the purchase price of the Odd Fellows tract at $76,895.00, before July 1, 1933; one half of the remainder on or before December 5, 1934, and the balance on or before December 5, 1935, with interest on deferred payments at the rate of 5% per annum.

Mr. Phillips advised that he would take the matter up with Mr. Scott of the Cemetery Association and report on the result of his conference at an early date.

Concerning the granting of concessions for the sale of merchandise on playgrounds, Mr. Phillips explained the plan in use by the Real Estate Department which is very satisfactory, and agreed to place this concessionaire in touch with Miss Randall so that a survey of our proposition might be made.

There being no further business the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, adjourned at 4:50 P. M.

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Acting Secretary

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding:

Present: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John P. Murphy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the 19th were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Mr. A. E. Conlan, 1120 Willard Street, requesting certain departmental information was read to the Commission and the Secretary instructed to advise Mr. Conlan that if he would call at the office any data desired would be furnished, and at the same time if he called to endeavor to ascertain for what purpose he wanted the information and just what his connections are.

A communication from the Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Club was presented in which they stress the need of playground facilities in the Longfellow School District, make reference to a conference with the Mayor and urge upon our Commission every effort to meet the situation.

Mr. Pack advised of his attendance at the Mayor's conference and said that at that time two suggestions were offered (a) lease of the necessary land with an option to buy, or (b) use of School Department land in the district for playground purposes. Mr. Pack further advised that he was familiar with the proposed site and at the time of his investigation there were some $95,000 worth of improvements on land valued at approximately $80,000, making it prohibitive of course to consider further.

The matter was discussed at length and it was the sense of the meeting that while they recognize fully the necessity for playground facilities in this district and are disposed to co-operate to the fullest possible extent with all parties interested, in view of projects already under way, the necessity of increased expense in operation of areas nearing completion, and the inevitable retrenchment due to tax delinquencies and enforced economies by municipal government, it would be futile to lend encouragement to any further development at this time. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted that the Secretary be instructed to advise the Improvement Club of this Commission's position in the matter as indicated above.

There was read to the Commission a letter from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association with reference to the Bocci Ball courts at Funston Annex, in which they requested the name of the holder of a permit to conduct such games on the playground.

Miss Mosgrove reviewed the history of this game at Funston, stating that Italian residents of the district were using the property for this purpose prior to the time this department assumed its control from the School Department and that when jurisdiction passed to this Department we simply improved and beautified the area and permitted the bocci ball players to continue and that no permit or concession had ever been requested or granted. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted that the Improvement Association be given these facts.

A petition from per diem workers of the Department, eight in number with service from 5 to 9 years, was presented to the Commission, in which they requested that their status be changed to that of regular monthly employees at fixed rates of compensation, setting forth as their reasons (a) complications over the "five-day week" adopted by the unions, and embarrassment of the workers; (b) convenience in accounting; and (c) length of service.

Mr. Pack reviewed the status of per diem workers, stating that the requirements of the Recreation Department differ in many respects from those of other departments, necessitating certain work on Saturdays and sometimes on Sundays. He cited the excellent record of these men and their willingness to undertake any necessary work regardless of the five-day-week restrictions; he stated further that the change in status from per diem to monthly employees would not increase or change their compensation and recommended that the request be granted.

After some discussion, upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that the change indicated above be approved and the Superintendent was authorized to take such steps as might be necessary to make it effective as soon as possible.

A communication from the Civil Service Commission advising that the name of Mr. Chester Mayer, who was incapacitated by a nervous breakdown,

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had been dropped from the list of eligible playground directors, was read and ordered filed.

New literature for Camp Mather was looked over by the Commission and approved. Mr. Murphy advised that he could and would distribute some 4000 of the envelope stuffers announcing the camp season and these will be supplied to him.

Proposed new styles of departmental stationery were looked over and it was suggested that new samples be prepared and submitted for consideration, which will be done.

The matter of Camp personnel again came up for discussion and upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that the name of young Mr. O'Connor be placed on the list of camp employees for this season and that the name of O'Toole would not be disturbed; this in addition to young Casey who had heretofore been placed on the list.

Mr. Sam Miller, concessionaire for the Memorial Opera House, the Civic Auditorium, and various other public buildings and activities in the Bay District came before the meeting at the instance of Mr. Phillips in connection with the possible granting of sales concessions on our playgrounds, baseball diamonds and Recreation Grove.

Mr. Miller made an offer to conduct such concessions as this Commission might designate upon basis of 25% of gross receipts upon all goods sold with the exception of cigarettes, upon which a 15% fee would be paid, and suggested that he be furnished a schedule of events taking place upon our areas and he would undertake to service those of sufficient importance to justify it.

Mr. Miller was told that the matter would be taken under advisement and our decision communicated to him at an early date. Those present were inclined to favor the proposition and Miss Randall was requested to survey the situation and submit her recommendation.

Mr. Scott of the Odd Fellows Cemetery Association came before the meeting in company with Mr. Riordan of the Real Estate Department, in connection with the proposed acquisition of certain parcels of land in that section for playground purposes. Mr. Scott advised that he and Mr. Riordan had reached agreement on all points in their negotiations with one exception. Speaking for his principals, he felt that the possibility of the proposed area being illuminated for night activities would be a definite sales resistance in marketing the tract and suggested that there be included in the deed a clause precluding any such move for at least ten years.

Mr. Berendsen clearly set forth the views of this Commission, in substance as follows: That it had been the policy of this Commission, in fact a precedent established by the City Attorney in passing on the validity of deeds of conveyance, not to impose any restrictions whatsoever in the acquisition of real estate for municipal purposes; that the wishes of residents in the community, with respect to development plans, would of necessity be a guiding factor; and that climatic conditions in the Richmond District would prove a deterrent to any plan for night activities there. He mentioned further the Continental practice of surrounding public areas with shrubs and trees as a means of seclusion and suggested this as a possibility in overcoming any objections of residents to the use of the proposed area, either day or night.

The matter was discussed at quite some length and while it was the concensus of opinion that the possibility of any usage of this area for night activity was very remote for several reasons, viz: (a) economic necessity, (b) climatic conditions, (c) public objection, (d) the district being so far removed from the industrial section where a premium is placed on evening hours of leisure; at the same time this Commission went on record as opposing any stated restrictions upon the use of real estate acquired by it.

Mr. Scott agreed to take the matter up again with his associates and report their decision. Mr. Riordan was asked to keep this Commission informed of later negotiations.

Miss Randall, reporting on the proposed use of puppetry programs this summer, advised that the cost would include $50.00 each for two people over a period of two months and that only some forty children would be able to take part in the program although a great many more would be reached as spectators. She felt it inadvisable to undertake the program at this time due to budgetary conditions and it was so agreed.

Miss Randall reported that our directors-at-large are doing some excellent work and cited several examples of what had been accomplished with boys formerly of the Ethan Allen School and other cases. Miss Mosgrove suggested that it would be a good idea to bring such cases to the attention of the Board of Education as a matter of general information.

Mrs. Stern again spoke of the necessity for greater publicity on the activities of this department and reviewed the present status of the matter. Mr. Berendsen and Mr. Murphy agreed to look into it in an endeavor to reach some satisfactory solution of the present impasse.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 P. M.

Acting Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 17, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 3:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of May 3rd were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Mr. Joseph Bryden filing the application of his son for a position at camp this season was read and ordered filed. Miss Randall advised that she had replied to the communication to the effect that all camp positions had been filled.

Mr. Sam Miller's letter relative to concessions on playgrounds was read to the meeting. Miss Randall will take up with Mr. Miller again the matter of percentage of sales and place the plan into effect.

Mrs. E. B. Cassidy, representing the Crescent Avenue Improvement Club, appeared before the Commission in the interest of a proposed lake development project on the Crocker Estate in the vicinity of our St. Mary's Playground. She sketched briefly plans in contemplation including canoes on the lake, a windmill for water circulation, etc., and gave a number of reasons why the development would be desirable, among other things enhancement of land values and consequent increase in tax revenues. Mrs. Cassidy also pledged support in securing funds for development other than regularly appropriated departmental funds.

Mr. Berendsen stated the position of this commission in the matter; that our co-operation in the project would be predicated upon acquisition of necessary land for the purpose and the cost of final development.

Mrs. Cassidy was informed that the matter would be taken under advisement and our decision communicated to her at a later date.

Mr. Phillips presented a map of the Ocean Avenue property and reported on his negotiations with the owners. He stated that they were averse to leasing any portion of the land and had definitely objected to selling only a part of it, but that he had persuaded them to offer the entire parcel containing 2,342 square feet or approximately 7 acres at $2 per foot or [illegible]

Mr. Berendsen strongly recommended that the property be acquired at this time, stating it to be exceptional value at the price stated. Mr. Phillips thought that the transaction might be closed with the payment of $4,000.00 at this time, the balance after the first of July.

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that the purchase be made on terms above indicated if it is determined possible from the standpoint of current finances.

Mr. Phillips advised that he had attended a meeting of the Recreation Commission at which the proposed lease of the Recreation Annex was discussed and stated it as his opinion that if Mrs. Cassidy and Mr. Murphy would call upon Mr. Sylvester it would be possible to secure use of a fire-proof and portable [illegible] on the property. This Mrs. Stern advised she would do.

Mr. Phillips further reported that some opposition has developed in connection with the proposals of the Art Project to put [illegible] in connection with the various playgrounds. [illegible] Commission of the Board of Supervisors on Thursday, March, [illegible] and Murphy request to attend this meeting in the interest of the Recreation Commission.

Miss Randall presented the matter of securing through a lease from the Parish Institute Commission the [illegible] property to be developed as a unit of this department for recreation, [illegible] Mr. Phillips suggested that the matter be taken up with the Board of Education [illegible] which will be done.

Mrs. Stern mentioned the [illegible] and Mr. Phillips reported [illegible] to the [illegible] of a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

No action was taken at this time but the Secretary was requested to send to the members of this Commission a copy of the Board of Supervisors' resolution above referred to.

The matter of publicity for the department again came up for discussion and Mr. Murphy advised of a conference with Mr. McIlwaine in the office of Mr. Berendsen and that Mr. McIlwaine had been unwilling to waive his rights as being first on the list of eligibles for Publicity Director. After some discussion it was agreed that the matter would be held in abeyance until such time as the department was in position to definitely appoint a publicity agent, when it would again be given consideration and a decision reached.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was unanimously agreed that this department would hereafter be referred to in publicity articles, correspondence and elsewhere, as the Recreation Commission rather than the Recreation Department.

Miss Randall requested an expression of opinion as to policy in taking camp registrations, requiring references, etc., and it was suggested by Mr. Murphy and unanimously agreed that the department be guided in its policies in this respect by rulings from the City Attorney as occasion might require.

Miss Randall reported upon camp publicity and stated that Mr. Meyer had done some excellent work. Mr. Meyer had suggested a printed book mark announcing our Mountain Camp to be distributed through the public libraries at a cost of approximately $100.00 for 100,000 markers.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was unanimously voted that the expense be authorized provided finances would permit at this time.

Miss Randall reported that there is some opposition on the part of the Civil Service Commission to changing the status of our per diem (eight in number) workers to that of regular monthly employees at stated rates of compensation due to the fact that it would affect per diem men in other departments.

Mr. Pack advised that he had agreed merely to secure the sanction of this Commission to such a change and did not propose to follow it further but that it would devolve upon the men themselves to prosecute the matter as they saw fit. No action was taken at this time.

Miss Randall reported that the schoolyard at Presidio Heights is very small and that the Park Commission had been requested to permit the use of Alta Plaza to supplement the facilities of the schoolyard. The supervision of the schoolyard has been undertaken by the Parent Teachers Association for some months and the attendance has been very good for this reason. Miss Randall recommended that this Commission assume the supervision of this much needed area effective July 1st.

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that Miss Randall be authorized to place such plan into effect.

Mr. Pack presented to the meeting a bill from Mr. T. E. Connolly in the sum of $76.80 covering the cost of certain excavating work at St. Mary's Playground.

Mr. Pack explained that this small item was a part of the original cost of grading work at St. Mary's Playground but that this contractor had failed to submit his bill until after the adoption of the new charter, and recommended that it be approved for payment.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission unanimously voted that this bill be approved and submitted to the Controller with a service order in due form for payment.

The Commission was advised by Mr. Pack that during the relief work of 1930-31, financed from unemployment relief bond funds, we had rented certain equipment and trackage from the United Commercial Company, and when funds for the purpose were depleted this company permitted us the continued use of their equipment without charge, and the same has been in our service continuously since that date and, as a matter of fact, still is.

Mr. Pack explained that all of this equipment has depreciated to a considerable extent during the progress of our work and that while the United Commercial Company had fixed the reasonable amount of this depreciation at over $1,100.00 they are agreeable at this time to settling the claim for the net amount of $810.00, and since this Commission has derived benefit from the use of this equipment far in excess of any cost incident thereto, Mr. Pack recommended that this settlement be made.

Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously resolved that such settlement be approved and that a service order in due form be submitted to the Controller for payment from the Reserve Fund of this department which is available.

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Inquiry was made as to the condition of Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, Vice-President of this Commission, who has been ill and upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously resolved that an expression of regret and the hope of his speedy recovery be spread in full upon the minutes of this meeting.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 P. M.

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Miss Alicia Mosgrove

Absent: Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of May 17th were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from the Civil Service Commission enclosing copies of communications from the United Association of Journeymen Plumbers and Steam Fitters, The Civil Service Per Diem Men's Association, and The Building Trades Council, protesting the use of Mr. E. J. Pollock for plumbing work in this department, was read and discussed.

Mr. John Kelvey of the Plumbers Union and Mr. Pickets of the Building Trades Council, appeared before the meeting and verbally protested, stating that the plumbing facilities of the department were in bad condition and felt that the services of skilled mecnanics and journeymen plumbers were required.

Mr. Pack advised that Mr. Pollock is used for a variety of unclassified maintenance work such as clearing drains and minor repairs to plumbing, fences, backstops, playground apparatus, interior lighting, heaters, exterior floodlighting, sound amplification equipment, etc.; that there is not enough work in any of these classes to warrant the employment of a journeyman plumber and that part-time employment of such a man would be insufficient to provide a living wage.

The representatives above referred to were informed that the matter would be taken under advisement and given very careful consideration.

In this connection, Mr. Pack was requested to make a survey of toilet facilities and plumbing installations on our playgrounds and submit a report on their condition, with his recommendation.

Mrs. Stern informed the meeting that the department was using systems and functioning along lines established some years ago and she felt that some revision and reorganization or reorganization would be desirable at this time and recommended that an efficiency expert be employed to analyze the department and make such recommendations as would improve the organization and increase its efficiency.

Upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that an efficiency expert be employed to make a preliminary survey, not to exceed three days' time at $40.00 per day or a total of $120.00 to determine just what time would be consumed in making a thorough study of the department and the approximate cost thereof. Mr. Leahy in presenting this motion advised that it applied only to a preliminary survey at cost indicated above, and that before any commitments are made for further work along this line the matter would again be brought before this commission for consideration.

Mr. Leahy, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported a conference with the Controller on the morning of June 7th with respect to the purchase of the Odd Fellows Tract for playground purposes, and upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS the proposed agreement for purchase of the Odd Fellows Cemetery Tract stipulates a first payment of $30,000, and

WHEREAS the exact revenue from taxes cannot be definitely determined at this time to permit the Controller to certify funds for this purchase, and

WHEREAS certain funds have heretofore been appropriated for this specific purpose, said funds appearing as a credit in Appropriation No. 36-6 Land, in the 1932-33 Appropriation Ordinance,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Controller be and he is hereby authorized and requested to reserve the said funds for the purchase of this land $30,000 from the above appropriation, or as much here thereof as may be available, and to transfer such balance in said land appropriation to a sub-account "No. 36 6-1, (1932-33 Land) and said pending further adjustments, by reason of additional tax revenues, according to the Controller's certification.

Some discussion was had on the proposed lease of the Fairmont-Amazon property and Mrs. Stern advised that she had conferred with Mr.

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Byington of the Public Utilities Commission and that Mr. O'Toole, City Attorney, would also confer with him.

The concensus of opinion was that it would be unwise to assume jurisdiction of the property and authorize funds for its improvement without some definite understanding as to the period of time it would be available to the use of this department. Accordingly it was agreed that the matter be left in the hands of Mr. O'Toole for the present and brought up for further consideration at a later date.

A protest from Sol Getz & Son against the sales concession for playgrounds granted to Sam Miller was brought before the meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the matter was referred to Miss Randall for investigation and disposal as her judgment indicates best.

The proposal of a Mrs. Howe for the establishment of a playground on the property at McKinnon Avenue and Mendell Street was placed before the Commission and briefly discussed. The Secretary was instructed to advise Mrs. Howe that for budgetary reasons no funds would be available for some time for the purchase or development of any new property.

Mr. Pack brought to the attention of the Commission a bill from Flynn & Collins for repairs to a Ford truck owned by the department amounting to $56.16. Mr. Pack explained that this service had been rendered in March, 1931, but that through inadvertence a confirming purchase order had not been issued and that Flynn & Collins had not rendered their bill until after the close of the fiscal year. Inasmuch as there remains in the Reserve Account of this Commission a sufficient balance to liquidate this claim it was Mr. Pack's recommendation that the same be paid at this time.

Upon motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted that the bill be approved for payment and that a Service Order in due form be submitted to the Controller for that purpose.

Miss Randall reported that the City Planning Commission had requested an expression of opinion as to the distance from playgrounds that beer should be permitted sold. It was the sense of this meeting that if beer were not sold in the same block with playgrounds that it should be satisfactory and it was felt the policy of this department should be the same as that of the Police Department. The matter was left in Miss Randall's hands for disposition.

Miss Randall announced a plan of the National Broadcasting Company for a half hour program weekly for children and by children and their request for the co-operation of this department in putting on a program of music and a sports review.

Those present felt this a splendid plan and pledged their support. Mr. Berendsen mentioned in this connection that such a program would be an excellent medium for camp publicity.

Miss Randall advised of attendance at a meeting of city department heads in connection with projected improvement work to be financed from Federal funds. Mr. Pack was asked to send to the members of this Commission a copy of the estimate for such improvement work.

The proposed lake development on Alemany Boulevard presented to this Commission at a prior meeting again came up for discussion.

Mr. Pack advised that he had made some tests and a preliminary survey of the probable cost of development. He advised that there would be a tremendous amount of excavation and that with pumps, machinery, roads, planting, etc., and the provision of a boat house, boats, and other necessary improvements and equipment the cost would run upwards of $75,000.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Leahy, it was unanimously voted that in view of the prohibitive cost no further consideration could be given the matter at this time, provided, however, that if the proponents of the plan could and would raise a sufficient fund from other sources to warrant further planning this Commission would be glad to give its consideration to any such proposal.

Miss Randall advised that no further action had been taken in the proposal to use the Lake Merced property but that she would confer with Mr. Eckart of the Water Department at an early date and report further.

Use of the Grove by various groups for picnics, programs, etc. was brought up for discussion. Miss Randall advised that the use of playground property had never been granted political groups and it was felt this same policy should apply to the Grove. Mr. Leahy suggested that rules and regulations governing the rental or other use of the Grove should be definitely formulated and those present were asked to give the matter consideration and be prepared to discuss the matter further and make recommendations at a later meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Leahy, it was unanimously voted that an expression of appreciation for Mrs. Stern's gracious hospitality to the Commissioners, Staff members and Directors, at her home at Atherton on Sunday, June 4th, be spread in full upon the minutes of this meeting. It was felt that such gatherings go far toward cementing closer relationship between members of the department and in the promotion of loyalty and enthusiasm.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, it adjourned at 4:00 P. M.

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San Francisco, June 21, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. John P. Murphy

M I N U T E S

Minutes of the meeting of June 7th were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

The proposed survey of this organization by an efficiency expert was again briefly discussed. Mr. Leahy reported that the charge for this service would be $40.00 per day for the two members of the accounting firm and $20.00 per day for such assistants as would be required and that the guaranteed total cost would not exceed $1200.00. It was the concensus of opinion that no definite action on the matter would be taken until the return of Mr. Murphy from the east, but those present expressed themselves as favorable toward the plan.

The widening of Army Street that has had some prior discussion was again brought to the attention of the meeting by Mr. Riordan of the Real Estate Department. He advised that the matter had several months ago been referred to the Streets Committee of the Board of Supervisors and that they now propose to make certain changes in the layout at James Rolph Playground including the erection of a high fence along the edge of Hampshire and Army Streets and to move the field house to a location next to the present tennis courts, all such changes to be made from funds controlled by the Streets Widening Committee and without cost to the Recreation Commission.

The matter was discussed further and Mr. Linares advised that the proposed change would not seriously affect the baseball playing field provided the property line as indicated by the temporary fence was to be the permanent fence line. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted that this commission would be agreeable to transferring control of the portion of James Rolph Playground necessary to make this change to the Board of Public Works for street widening purposes, provided the area to be so transferred is not greater than the temporary line indicated, and subject to approval of the City Attorney.

The proposed purchase of the Odd Fellows tract was discussed further and Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, was authorized to follow the matter for this Department and to make such modifications in the Purchase Agreement as might be necessary to consummate the transaction.

Mr. L. Byington of the Public Utilities Commission appeared before the meeting in connection with the proposed use by this department of the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Tract controlled by the Water Department.

Members of this Commission pointed out the desirability of some form of written agreement specifying a definite period of time for use of the property but Mr. Byington was opposed to making any such commitment for his commission. After some further discussion Mr. Byington agreed that this department might use the property until such time as it should be required for water conservation purposes and that his Commission would pass a resolution to this effect forwarding a copy thereof to this Commission as a matter of record.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Byington was tendered a vote of thanks for his co-operation in the matter.

Miss Randall reported that it had been proposed by the Probation Department that the abandoned construction cabins near Sunol owned by the Hetch Hetchy department be used for a boys' summer camp and Mr. Byington advised that he could see no objection to such a plan provided it had the approval of the engineering department.

The matter will be investigated further. Those present favored the plan if found practicable.

The question of plumbing work in the department was discussed further and Miss Randall advised that a survey is being made of the condition of all facilities and a report would be made later. Mr. Kelly, representing the plumbers' union, was told that he would be advised in the matter just as soon as complete information is available.

Miss Randall reported that Mr. Miller had not found the sales concession on our playgrounds profitable and that the plan would be discontinued with the possible exception of Funston Playground or other large gatherings. The matter was left in Miss Randall's hands for disposition.

The request of Miss Veda B. Young, Secretary of the Commission, for a leave of absence from July 1st to August 31st was presented for consideration. Miss Randall advised that this period would include the regular vacation period of two weeks with pay and an additional six weeks' leave. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Leahy, the request was granted.

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Mr. Berendsen requested a report on the status of compensation due Mr. McElvaney and was told that a conference had been held by Mrs. Stern and City Attorney O'Toole with Mr. Leavy, Controller, and that the matter is now in his hands.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, it adjourned at 4:30 P. M.

Acting Secretary

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San Francisco, July 5, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John P. Murphy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of June 21st were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Dr. J. Ralph Zion commenting upon his visit to Camp Mather and praising its facilities and management was read to the Commission and ordered filed.

Miss Mosgrove reported that the camp has practically a capacity crowd at this time.

The question of an efficiency survey of the department was again discussed and upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was unanimously voted that this work be undertaken as soon as may be convenient upon terms heretofore noted.

Miss Randall advised that the department would frequently require the services of an architect, having in mind new sites nearing completion and other construction work in contemplation. It was suggested that a satisfactory arrangement might be made with Mr. Merchant who has been doing some excellent work for the department and it was suggested that Mrs. Stern ascertain in general upon what terms Mr. Merchant would undertake our work on a contractual basis.

Some figures were quoted with respect to projects that might be financed in part from Federal funds and Miss Randall suggested the possibility of availing ourselves of Federal aid on a construction program of some $165,000 in round numbers, stating, however, that this would require a marked curtailment of our budget in other respects.

Mr. Pack advised that definite plans for proceeding in the matter had not been formulated as yet but that he would keep closely in touch with it and keep this Commission informed of later developments.

The widening of Army Street at Hampshire, necessitating some change in the property lines of James Rolph Playground was again discussed and it was the sense of the meeting that this Commission desired to co-operate with the Street Department and upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the following resolution was unanimously adopted, with the understanding, however, that the cost of rearranging the playground, erecting fences, moving buildings, etc., would be borne entirely by the Street Department or from funds of the Street Widening Committee and without cost to this Department, and that the transfer of such property has the approval of the City Attorney as to its legality:

RESOLVED, That this department hereby transfers control of the hereinafter described land to the Department of Public Works of the City and County of San Francisco for the purpose of widening Army Street in the vicinity of Potrero Avenue, and hereby consents to the dedication of said land for street purposes.

The land hereinbefore referred to is a portion of the James Rolph, Jr., Playground in San Francisco, California, and is more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the point of intersection of the northwesterly line of Army Street and the northeasterly line of Hampshire Street; thence northeasterly along said line of Army Street; 139.837 feet; thence continuing northeasterly along said line of Army Street, on the arc of a curve to the right, tangent to the preceding course, radius 1264 feet, central angle 3° 13' 25", a distance of 71.116 feet; thence deflecting 3° 13' 25" to the left from the tangent to the preceding curve and continuing northeasterly along said line of Army Street, 67.300 feet to the southwesterly line of Potrero Avenue; thence at right angles northwesterly along said line of Potrero Avenue, 22 feet; thence southeasterly, southerly and southwesterly on the arc of a curve to the right, tangent to the preceding course, radius 20 feet, central angle 90°, a distance of 31.416 feet; thence southwesterly, tangent to the preceding curve, 31.637 feet; thence southwesterly on the arc of a curve to the right, tangent to the preceding course, radius 250 feet, central angle 10° 03' 56", a distance of 43.919 feet; thence southwesterly tangent to

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the preceding curve, 100.301 feet; thence southwesterly on the arc of a curve to the left, tangent to the preceding course, radius 950 feet, central angle 5° 07' 09", a distance of 84.879 feet to aforesaid line of Hampshire Street; thence deflecting 94° 56' 47" to the left from the tangent to the preceding curve and running southeasterly along said line of Hampshire Street, 32.462 feet to the northwesterly line of Army Street and the point of beginning.

BEING a portion of Precita Valley Lands, as per map thereof recorded in Map Book I, page 85, Records of the City and County of San Francisco.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the two resolutions relating to the widening of Army Street, adopted by this Commission on Jan. 4, 1933 and on Jan. 18, 1933, respectively, are hereby repealed.

The proposed lease of the Crocker-Amazon site will be brought before a meeting of the Public Utilities Commission on Monday, the 10th, and Mr. Byington has been requested to present a resolution authorizing this department to use the property until such time as it is required for water conservation purposes.

Concerning purchase of the Odd Fellows tract, a resolution approving the purchase was adopted by the Board of Supervisors on June 26th and the Controller has been requested to prepare a warrant to cover the first payment. It is expected the transaction will be consummated immediately.

Plumbing work in the department was again briefly discussed. A report by Mr. Foehr after a complete survey indicated that conditions generally were satisfactory, though some minor repairs and adjustments are required and have been arranged for. The Secretary was instructed to inform the Plumbers' Union that plumbing work requiring skilled mechanics would be done by journeymen plumbers or contractors and that minor repairs would be handled as heretofore.

City Attorney O'Toole appeared before the meeting in connection with certain bills for expert services and testimony in court pertaining to damage suits against the city growing out of blasting near St. Mary's Playground, said bills aggregating $1,059.00. Some question arose as to the amount of the bills and it was agreed to submit them to Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, for approval as to amounts. Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that said bills be passed for payment, subject to Mr. Phillips' approval.

Since Miss Randall, Superintendent, is about to depart on her vacation, upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was unanimously voted that Mr. Raymond Kimbell, Assistant Superintendent, be designated an Appointing Officer for the Department, and as such authorized to sign payrolls during the period of Miss Randall's absence.

Mr. O'Toole was asked for an opinion as to the rights of this Commission in contracting for special services of a particular nature such as architects, expert professional services, etc., without the necessity of taking bids for such services, and he advised that the Commission did have that right under the charter.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, it adjourned at 4:30 P. M.

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San Francisco, July 19, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of July 5th were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Communications from residents near Hayward Playground, relative to dust from the ground, and from the Central Mission Improvement Association, relative to Army Street widening, and replies thereto were read and ordered filed.

Mrs. Stern advised that the Public Utilities Commission had taken no further action relative to the use of Crocker-Amazon Site by this department and suggested that if convenient Mr. Murphy attend the next meeting of that Commission in an endeavor to bring negotiations to a satisfactory close.

The proposed purchase of the Odd Fellows Cemetery tract for playground usage again came up for discussion and Mr. Scott of the Cemetery Association with Mr. Riordan of the Real Estate Department appeared at the meeting in connection therewith.

Statements from the Controller were presented indicating that there is only available from the 1932-33 Land Appropriation for this purchase the sum of $20,000.00.

Mr. Scott explained that the entire matter had been held in abeyance pending receipt of the first payment of $30,000.00 as agreed and as authorized by Board of Supervisors' Resolution No. 867, and that it was necessary to file maps of the tract before proceeding with the development.

After some discussion, upon motion of Mr. John P. Murphy, seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that an additional sum of $10,000.00 be taken from the 1933-34 Appropriation to meet the said $30,000.00 first payment, and that the Controller be and he is hereby authorized and requested to draw a warrant for the last named amount to meet said payment.

The revised terms of payment were agreed to as follows: $30,000.00 not later than July 25, 1933; $23,447.50 on or before December 5, 1934; and the remainder of $23,449.50 on or before December 5, 1935.

Mrs. Stern reported that in company with the Mayor and Mr. Murphy she had visited McCoppin Park, stating the suggestion had been made to turn the property over to this department for development and operation as a unit of the Recreation Commission.

After some discussion, upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was resolved that a request be made of the Park Department to transfer control of McCoppin Park to the Recreation Commission.

Carried - Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen
Nays: Mr. McLaren

Attention was called to the dumping of refuse and rubbish at the corner near 19th Avenue and Wawona Street to the east of Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove causing a very unsightly condition and Mr. McLaren advised that he would take the matter up with the Police Department in an endeavor to have the objectionable practice discontinued.

Mr. Kelly of the Plumbers' Union again appeared before the meeting protesting the use of a Utility Man for plumbing repairs and adjustments. Mr. Kelly was again advised that any work requiring skilled mechanics would be done by journeyman plumbers or by contract, but that minor adjustments and maintenance work would be cared for as at present.

Mr. Pat Kane who operates the bocci ball courts at Funston Annex appeared before the meeting stating it was his understanding that some complaint had been made concerning operation of this game at Funston. He explained that they had assumed the cost of materials and supplies to maintain the courts, paid for the services of a caretaker and the special balls used in the game.

Mr. Kane was told that so long as the games were orderly conducted and the participants orderly in their behavior there would be no objection on the part of this Commission.

Mr. Kimbell, Assistant Superintendent, came before the meeting in connection with a young-man playground director from the Civil Service lists whose services had not been satisfactory and had been terminated

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prior to the expiration of the six months' probationary period. Mr. Kimbell advised that he had been requested by the Civil Service Commission to reinstate the young man for another chance, which he felt was inadvisable.

It was felt that a considerable responsibility rests upon playground directors in molding the lives of boys and girls under their care and that it was most essential to select directors of the right type for this work.

Mr. Murphy stated that the case had come to his attention and that the young man was most highly recommended and from an excellent family. Mr. Murphy felt unwilling to jeopardize the boy's record by dismissal from this department and thought that he might be given another opportunity and used on some other ground.

After some further discussion it was agreed that the matter be held in abeyance until the return of Miss Randall from vacation, with the thought in mind that the young man might be placed on some other list of Civil Service eligibles rather than being assigned to this department; or finally dismissed.

Mr. Kimbell advised that Mr. Hickey of the Park Department had approached him relative to use of one of our playgrounds by the Olympic Club for their athletic activities. He said that the club would bear the cost of supervision, lighting, etc., and would be responsible for the condition of turf, etc.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted that this department would favor such co-operation with the Olympic Club and authorized Mr. Kimbell to follow negotiations to that end.

Attention was called to the proposed sales tax now before the legislature and the effect it would have on purchases by the City and County. Upon motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously resolved that a formal protest be filed against the inclusion of municipalities in any such tax, and the secretary directed to follow the matter to conclusion.

Mr. Pack presented to the meeting tentative estimates for certain improvements, repairs and maintenance work, aggregating in total some $15,000.00.

He stated that the conditioning of our baseball field, turfed and landscaped areas is a recurring problem and inasmuch as unemployment relief labor will be used for all purposes except plumbing installations, carpenter work and supervision, he thought it economical and desirable that we perform this work with our own forces, as a matter of fact, relief labor makes it impracticable for private contractors to bid against us on the work.

Mr. Pack went over the various items of contemplated expenditures and on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the estimates as presented were unanimously approved and Mr. Pack authorized to start work whenever convenient.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, it adjourned at 4:00 P. M.

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San Francisco, August 2, 1933

The regular Commission meeting set for today was postponed until the next regular meeting date, August 16th.

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San Francisco, August 16, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

M I N U T E S

Minutes of the meeting of July 19th were read and the following corrections noted:

Paragraph with respect to plumbing work was amended to read as follows:

> "Mr. Kelly of the Plumbers' Union again appeared before the meeting protesting the use of a Utility Man for plumbing repairs and adjustments. Mr. Kelly was advised that plumbing work of this department would hereafter be done by journeymen plumbers secured through the Department of Public Works or by Contract."

Secretary was instructed to supply the several items comprising the $15,000.00 approved at this meeting for construction and improvement work.

The following figures were furnished by the Engineering Department:

Deep well pump - Stern Grove		1,665.00
Power line " "		350.00
Reservoir water line Stern Grove		1,648.00
Reservoir " "		1,[illegible]66.00
Water distribution lines for sprinkler system Stern Grove		358.36
Excavation for field house Stern Grove		770.00
Carpenter work, alterations to basement Stern Grove		958.00
Concrete work - basement " "		394.00
Installing lavatories and sewers " "		958.00
Caretaker's Cottage Stern Grove		2,040.00
Plumbing, caretaker's cottage - Stern Grove		450.00
Material - 340 benches " "		280.00
Back stop Funston Field		500.00
Wing fences " "		670.00
Plumbing 15th & York		497.00
Fencing 38th & Fulton		196.00
	Total -	14,[illegible]00.00

Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes were approved and revised.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter from Dr. J. S. Wishik relative to the Wood Tennis at Funston was read to the Commission.

Mr. Musante, heading a committee from the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club, appeared before the Commission. He explained that a permit had been issued by the Board of Education in 1928 to construct this game and that the permit was held by Mr. Kane who at that time was connected with the Golden Gate Club. Mr. Musante felt that the organization should be held by the Club or that the Recreation Commission should take over the concession and maintain the courts making the game available to Parkside residents as a regular playground activity.

Mr. Musante was advised that the matter would be given careful consideration and that he would be notified of the decision.

The matter was left in Miss Mosgrove's hands for further investigation and a report at the next meeting.

Concerning the proposed Crossing-Harbor Bridge, Mr. Leahy advised that he had submitted to Mr. Eyington of the Public Utilities Commission a tentative resolution authorizing the issue by the Commission. Mr. Eyington had suggested some minor changes in the resolution but the matter had not been decided. Mrs. Stern advised that she would again take the matter up with Mr. Eyington.

The question of departmental revenue was briefly discussed and Mr. Leahy expressed the opinion that it should be definitely established whether or not this department is entitled to revenue collected from Parkmerit taxes in prior years or whether such revenue should be placed to the credit of reserve funds. Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Leahy was authorized to make a thorough investigation of the matter and to confer with Controller Leavy. He was further authorized, if found necessary or desirable, to employ legal counsel and to bring a friendly suit to determine the issue.

Concerning the proposed control of McCoppin Park, Mrs. Stern advised that the Mayor had communicated with the Park Commission concerning the matter and that funds had been appropriated for certain improvements, making it improbable that any transfer to the Recreation Commission would be feasible at this time.

The question of acquiring additional property to enlarge Sigmund Stern Grove was briefly discussed, including the possibility of exchanging other city owned property for that purpose. Mr. Phillips advised that the only available property belonged to the school department and that there are approximately 50 small scattered lots. Dr. Gwinn suggested that the School Department might group all these smaller lots and exchange them for larger areas where schools will be needed.

Mrs. Stern advised that she would take the matter up with the Mayor.

The case of young Mr. Tinney, Playground Director, who had been dismissed by this department, again came up for discussion. Mr. Tinney came before the meeting and presented his side of the case and requested reinstatement for another chance. Mr. Kimbell reviewed the circumstances of his dismissal. It was pointed out that this Commission found nothing whatever detrimental to the young man's character but it was felt by some that he was not the type to make a successful playground director.

Mr. Tinney retired from the meeting and after considerable discussion, Mr. Leahy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy, that the letter of dismissal be withdrawn from the Civil Service Commission and Mr. Tinney reinstated for further trial:

Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Leahy,
Nays: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove,

Mr. Berendsen not voting, and Dr. Gwinn having left the meeting prior to this vote.

Mr. Berendsen felt that the manner in which the matter had been presented before the Commission would preclude his voting. He did, however, state he thought Mr. Tinney would not prove a type suitable for the satisfactory direction and supervision of playground activities.

Miss Rendall reported that the Golden Gate Valley Baseball Group had requested additional bleachers at Funston Playground, and asked if there would be any objection to taking a collection from baseball crowds to be used for this purpose, such bleachers of course to become the property of the Department. It was felt by those present that such a plan might be desirable and Miss Rendall was authorized to grant this permission.

The suggestion was made that in future the individual vote of the commissioners on all matters of importance be recorded in the minutes; further that all official communications to the Commission be brought before that body in regular meeting.

Mr. Peck, Engineer, presented to the meeting bids on fencing and back stops at several playgrounds, as follows:

Bids received:

Standard Fence Company	$3,542.00
Stewart Iron Works	3,560.00
[illegible] Supply Company	3,613.00
Robt. Pfeiffer Iron Works	3,723.17
Pacific Coast Fence Company	3,874.18
Cahill Lind Fence Corporation	3,916.00

Upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was [illegible] that the contract be awarded to the Standard Fence Company for $3,542.00 be [illegible] and executed and that the work be [illegible] forthwith.

Mr. Kelly [illegible] the manner of handling improvement and construction work was briefly discussed and upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. [illegible], it was unanimously voted that no construction or improvement [illegible] or obligations incurred, until detail estimates [illegible] by the Finance Committee and by the Commission [illegible] meeting.

Mr. Kelly [illegible] before the meeting and called attention to the [illegible] leaves owing to dead leaves and dead branches; [illegible] Grove. Mrs. Stern advised that she is invited of these conditions and steps [illegible] Mr. Kelly was thanked by the Commission for his [illegible].

Mr. [illegible] permission to take two old wooden water tanks [illegible] was granted.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it [illegible] at 4:45 P. M.

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Secretary

San Francisco, September 6, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding:

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John P. Murphy
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. J. C. Berendsen

M I N U T E S

Minutes of the meeting of August 16th were read and corrected.

Mrs. Stern advised that the wooden water tank at the Grove was not to be removed.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes were approved as amended.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Longfellow Parent-Teachers Association requesting playground facilities in the Longfellow School District.

Miss Rendall had replied that the matter will be borne in mind if Federal funds are available for the purchase of additional land.

From Mr. J. L. McNab, enclosing a letter from the Chinese Six Companies concerning additional playground facilities in Chinatown.

Miss Rendall had replied that unimproved land in this district is no longer available and there are no funds for the purchase of improved property. However, consideration will be given to the lighting of the present Chinese Playground whenever budgetary conditions will permit.

From the National Recreation Association calling attention to the provisions of the National Recovery Act and urging participation in Federal financing for playground projects.

Necessary steps have already been taken in this direction.

From Potrero Boosters' Association requesting additional lighting for Jackson Playground.

Miss Rendall had advised that funds for this purpose would not be available this year but that the matter would be borne in mind in the preparation of next year's budget.

From the North Beach Promotion Association urging the provision of a baseball diamond for boys of that district.

Miss Rendall was asked to investigate the matter and confer with Mr. Phillips to see what if anything could be done.

From the Department of Public Health reporting on the excellent condition of swimming pools of this Department and commending them for efficiency of their maintenance and operation.

Secretary was instructed to file a copy of this communication on the bulletin boards at each pool.

Mr. Murphy suggested that a home doctrinale monthly might be gained by giving this information to the newspapers.

From The Strout Staffens Equipment Company quoting price of $201.50 on complete vacuum cleaner equipment for the swimming pools, needed at this time to maintain the pools in proper condition of cleanliness.

Referred to the Finance Committee with authority to take whatever action may be found expedient.

From Mr. Gerald F. Dana, Managing Editor of the Community News, calling attention to the Balboa Reservoir Site urging this Commission to take it over for baseball and other recreational activity.

Miss Rendall advised that some time in June last we had endeavored to secure this property but without success for that we were now negotiating for a lease on the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site. She advised further that Mr. Addleson was interested in securing control of the Balboa property for baseball activities, necessary improvements to be financed from Federal funds.

It was pointed out that the Balboa site is preferable to the Crocker-Amazon tract for baseball, etc., and Mr. Marquand was requested to prepare tentative sketches of the property so the matter may be given further consideration.

From Dr. A. E. Roberts of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Club, and from the Board of Education with reference to the vacant fill concession at Funston Annex.

Miss Rendall gave the result of her investigation as follows:

A charge of 5¢ is made for each participant; six players constitute a full team for one court and games last about one hour. Receipts amount to around $4.00 per day on week days and around $7.00 per day on Sundays. The imported balls used in the game cost $1.75 each and last approximately nine months. Sixty balls are now in use. A special surface material is used costing $6.00 per load or about $40.00 per year. Minimum revenue from the courts is about $175.00 per month and the maximum reached about $800.00 or $850.00 per month in the best season.

Miss Randall felt that for this department to take over the operation of the games would ultimately mean a demand that this activity be provided without cost to residents of the district the same as other regular playground activities which of course would entail a considerable item of additional expense to the department.

After considerable discussion it was the concensus of opinion that since the games are being properly conducted and there are no complaints from the participants or the residents of the district it would be unwise to disturb the present satisfactory arrangement. It was further pointed out that Funston Annex is school property and Dr. Gwinn advised that plans for a school on this site had been included in their tentative W. P. A. Construction program, so that there is the probability of this department relinquishing the property within a year or so in any event.

The matter was left in Miss Randall's hands for final disposition.

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The following resolution was adopted in executive session at the meeting of July 19th and did not appear of record in the minutes of that meeting:

> "Mrs. Stern reported that she had conferred with Mr. Mr. W. G. Merchant, Architect, with reference to consultation on improvement and construction work and the layout, design and supervision of buildings and structures for this department, and upon motion duly made and seconded she was authorized to retain Mr. Merchant for this work as his services may, in the judgment of the Commission, be required."

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the above action was in all respects unanimously ratified and confirmed.

Compensation for Mr. Merchant was fixed on basis of not to exceed $4800.00 per annum, this basis having heretofore been approved by the Finance Committee.

Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, came before the meeting in connection with the property at Gilman and Griffith Streets, which this department had tentatively agreed to purchase at price of $8750.00 but which transaction was not consummated owing to lack of funds.

Mr. Phillips advised that the entire property of approximately 70 acres had recently changed hands and could now be acquired for $25,000.00 as against the $35,000.00 for the graded property heretofore quoted. Mr. Phillips thought that the proposed tract for a playground site, comprising some 5-6 4 acres could be purchased for around $6,000.00 and that it would cost around $9,000.00 for the necessary grading work by private contractors.

A committee of three gentlemen, representing the owners of the property, came before the meeting and advised of their willingness to cooperate with this department in carrying out its plans.

Upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the matter was referred to the Finance Committee and to Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, for discussion of ways and means and a further report to the Commission at its next meeting.

Mr. W. G. Merchant, Architect, presented proposed plans for field house and improvements at the 46th & Fulton Site which had some discussion.

Estimates covering the cost of landscaping the property, $827.50 and the additional cost of concrete steps as shown by Mr. Merchant's plan, were upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Murphy, unanimously approved. This in addition to the $5,208.50 heretofore estimated for improvement on this site, exclusive of field house.

The Engineering Department was requested to make a survey of the Funston site as early as practicable so Mr. Merchant could proceed with plans for its further development.

A committee of three ladies came before the meeting in the interest of early completion of the Potrero Hill Playground, pointing out the present lack of adequate facilities and the danger to children playing in the streets, etc.

Mr. [illegible] reported that the grading was complete and the piping practically in except from the street to the water pump. The pump has not been purchased and it will be necessary to finish the water system before planting of turf is undertaken. Mr. Mack advised that it would require approximately $1,000. to get the ground into operation, and a total of about $3,000. to complete the area as originally planned, with the exception of the field house. He mentioned some of the things necessary to complete, in the main as follows:

Completion of water system	$ 1,747.00
Baseball backstops	500.00
Paving courts	2,910.00
Turf	3,309.00
Landscaping	200.00
Apparatus	995.00
Flag pole	50.00

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Drinking fountain	$ 50.00
Fencing	9,634.00
Convenience station	1,200.00
Miscellaneous labor	2,400.00

Mr. Leahy explained to the Committee that funds for construction purposes were very limited owing to reduction in budget allotment due to delinquent taxes, etc., but that everything would be done to place the ground in operation at the earliest possible date. The Committee retired from the meeting with thanks for its consideration and assurance.

Miss Randall advised of a proposed plan to take over the operation of the Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, at present financed in part by the Community Chest, and she thought this department, if it did assume control of the property, would continue to receive aid from the Community Chest to the extent of possibly $2,500.00 per year.

Miss Randall was requested to make a thorough investigation as to the cost of operating this unit in the event its jurisdiction passed to this Commission, and to report on the matter at the next meeting.

The Annual Food Show is to be held in the Civic Auditorium this year from October 7th to 14th and Miss Randall asked for an expression of opinion as to this department having an exhibit as in past years, the cost of which would be approximately $150.00.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee with authority to take such action as to it may seem proper.

Miss Randall advised that probation officials had approached this department with reference to taking over the old construction camp at Sunol for a boys' summer or recreation camp and wanted this Commission to visit the site and render a decision.

Those present were not in favor of undertaking any further camp development at this time, particularly at a location so far removed from San Francisco, and upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Gwinn, it was unanimously voted that no further consideration be given the matter at this time and Miss Randall requested to so advise the Probation Department.

Miss Randall advised that permission had been requested to use the golf cages at Funston Annex by a golf professional to give lessons to residents in the Marina.

It was thought that this would be a dangerous precedent to establish, but Miss Randall was requested to investigate further and report at the next meeting.

Mr. Ralph McIlwaine, Playground Director, has on file request for a six months' leave of absence due to the ill health and upon motion of Dr. Gwinn, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted to grant his request.

Miss Randall advised that residents of Visitacion Valley were anxious to hold a dedication ceremony to mark the opening of the Visitacion Valley Playground and the matter was left in her hands with authority to take such action as she might see fit.

Mr. Allen, a newspaper man in the Visitacion Valley District, had asked permission to visit Camp Mather with several companions after the close of the season and seemed to think for political reasons that his request should be granted.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Gwinn, it was unanimously voted that the request be refused.

His Honor, The Mayor, has called upon this Department for some one to make a radio address in connection with the series of talks on San Francisco municipal affairs, between 7:15 and 7:30 P. M. some time within the next few weeks.

Several commissioners will be away from the city during that period and Miss Randall was asked to follow the matter to see that provision is made to meet the Mayor's request.

Approval was requested for the expenditure of an additional $110.00 for millwork and plumbing at the Visitacion Valley Field House and upon motion of Dr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was unanimously voted to so approve this item.

Miss Randall announced, for the information of the Commissioners, the regular weekly broadcast by playground children, over station K.P.O. every Friday afternoon between 5:15 and 5:45.

She also announced that on Saturday morning, September 14th, at 10:00 A. M., awards for athletic events participated in by playground children, would be made by the Mayor, assisted by the Board of Supervisors, to be held in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it adjourned at 4:30 P. M.

Acting Secretary

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: None

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of September 6th were read and corrected.

Mr. Leahy called attention to the fact that the estimate for improvements at 38th & Fulton did not include a field house, which is not to be undertaken at this time.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the minutes were approved as amended.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Wm. E. Colby, President, State Park Commission, commending the development and operation of Camp Mather.

From Emanu-El Sisterhood; Gluck Auf Loge No. 22; Germanen Frauen Lager; Mrs. Paul Springer, and The Sierra Dinner Club, all expressing appreciation for use of Sigmund Stern Grove for their special events.

Mr. Peter Wong, representing the Chinese Six Companies, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and fraternal organizations, appeared before the Commission to request permission for the use of Chinese Playground for their annual Jade Festival over a period of ten days, the proceeds from same to go to the Chinese Hospital. He advised they proposed to erect a ferris wheel and further agreed that his principals would take out an insurance policy to indemnify this Commission against the result of any injury to persons or damage to property, and would assume all responsibility in connection with the event.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was unanimously voted to grant permission for the use of Chinese Playground for this event under conditions stated above.

Mr. Merchant presented plans for the development of the site at 24th & Douglass and after some discussion, upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Leahy, the plan was tentatively approved. Mr. Leahy suggested that the location of sewer lines be definitely ascertained so that a small field house or convenience station might be provided if felt desirable as plans progressed.

Mr. Merchant also submitted tentative sketches of the Balboa Reservoir Site, making provision for twelve baseball diamonds; and of the Crocker-Amazon Site with provision for fourteen diamonds.

The following expenditures for construction work, having been passed upon by the Finance Committee, were submitted for approval:

Visitacion Valley		
Remodel field house	$392.00	
Apparatus	945.00	$ 1,337.00
Corporation Yard		
Remodel building		209.28
Julius Kahn		
Loam	914.00	
Fence & back stop	2,446.00	3,460.00
Potrero Hill		
Loam		944.00
St. Mary's		
Loam and piping		3,029.50

The following items of expense were also submitted for approval, having heretofore been passed upon by the Finance Committee:

Purchase of vacuum cleaner equipment for swimming pools	$ 201.50
Provision of playground exhibit at Annual Food Show in Civic Auditorium	150.00
Construction of fence for baseball diamond at Funston	351.00

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Gwinn, all of the items enumerated above were unanimously approved.

Some discussion was had concerning the lighting of Father Crowley Playground which had been undertaken at this time at the instance of the Olympic Club for their athletic activities. It was suggested that

a definite commitment be secured from the Olympic Club as to just what extent they would participate in the cost of this improvement and Miss Randall was requested to follow the matter and make a report at the next meeting.

Miss Randall advised that the building at Michaelangelo Playground was badly in need of repairs owing to faulty foundations and recommended that the work be done at once. Mr. Pack advised that a definite estimate of the cost could not be made until such time as the true condition of foundations could be determined but did advise that the maximum cost should not exceed $806.00. Upon motion of Mr. Leahy, seconded by Mr. Murphy, this work was tentatively authorized, with the understanding that a revised estimate would be submitted to this Commission when the work has sufficiently advanced to permit it.

Mr. Pack submitted estimates for the laying of water lines and planting turf at St. Mary's and Potrero Hill, as follows:

St. Mary's		
Loam, manure and seed	$ 3,330.00	
Water lines and lawn boxes	2,991.00	$ 6,321.00
Potrero Hill		
Loam, manure and seed	3,909.00	
Pump plant and water lines	1,747.31	5,656.31

He was requested to prepare detail estimates and submit to the Finance Committee for further consideration.

Miss Randall advised of a proposed plan to place some one directly in charge of girls' and women's activities and the training of volunteer workers on playgrounds and recommended that Miss Rose McGreevy, present playground director, be given this assignment, with no change, however, in her classification or salary at this time.

All were in accord as to Miss McGreevy's qualifications for this important work and upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted that the plan be placed into effect as it might suit Miss Randall's convenience.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, it adjourned at 4:30 P. M.

Acting Secretary

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:30 P. M. with Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, presiding:

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John P. Murphy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 20th were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Dr. Frank Fischer, Secretary of the North End Improvement Association, requesting the Recreation Commission to take formal action in asking the Public Utilities Commission to transfer the old Spring Valley lot on Bay and Hyde Streets to this department for playground purposes.

The Superintendent advised that there are no funds available for the purchase, rental or construction of new playground areas.

Therefore, the concensus of opinion of the Commission was that the Superintendent write to Dr. Fischer accordingly. Letter ordered filed.

DELEGATE

Mr. George Allen, representing the Visitacion Valley Improvement Association, appeared before the Commission and asked that the dedication of the Visitacion Valley Playground be held on Sunday, October 29th. The Commission unanimously agreed on the date, and asked that Mr. Allen co-operate with Miss Randall in making out the dedication program.

The Commission unanimously approved the purchase of loam, manure and seed for St. Mary's Playground in the sum of $3,330.00 and for Potrero Hill Playground for $3,909.00. Ayes: Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. Wm. H. Leahy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn, Mr. John McLaren.

The Superintendent reported that the bocci ball proposition at Funston Annex has been taken up by the proponents before the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors. The notice appeared in the Calendar of the Board of Supervisors on October 2nd.

The Superintendent reported that the department is employing two engineers from the ranks of the unemployed, i. e., Mr. Jose Sanchez and Mr. Andrew Laslovick, under the Salary Ordinance rate of $3.00 per day, as laborers. A protest has been received from the Technical Engineers' Architects' and Draftsmen's Union. Mr. John J. O'Toole, City Attorney, states that it was understood that the City Departments would not hire expert services from the unemployed list. The Superintendent advised that it will therefore be necessary to let these men go.

Mr. Pack reported on the lighting of the Father Crowley Playground as follows: That he interviewed Mr. Joseph Hickey of the Olympic Club who is of the opinion that the money usually paid to Mr. C. J. Holzmueller, which is approximately $300.00 per year, will be made available for this department to help defray the lighting expense at Father Crowley Playground. The lighting investment at the playground will cost approximately $850.00 and provides for the first three units of a first-class installation. Mr. Hickey is of the opinion that the Olympic Club will want to use the grounds again next year for football practice and also for ensuing years.

The Commission discussed the matter in detail, and expressed their understanding that this department was not to be put to any expense in the matter. Therefore, Mr. Pack was asked to make further negotiations with Mr. Hickey in an effort to secure a three-year contract whereby approximately $300.00 per year is to be paid this department, or to receive a contract for such period of time as will be sufficient to cover the cost of the installation. The contract is also to provide that this department be reimbursed for all expenses incurred that appertain to this activity, such as supervision and wear and tear on the turf and grounds.

The Superintendent reminded the Commission of the Northern California-Nevada Recreation Conference to be held in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove on Saturday, October 7th.

Miss Randall stated a letter was received from the Controller asking that any projects we have in our budget for capital outlay be presented immediately. She informed the Commission that this department has no projects of this nature for the balance of this year.

Mr. Berendsen made a motion that the plan submitted to the Recreation Commission by Mr. Francis P. Farquhar, be the plan of procedure hereafter as to authority and activity. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gwinn, and unanimously approved. Ayes: Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. Wm. H. Leahy.

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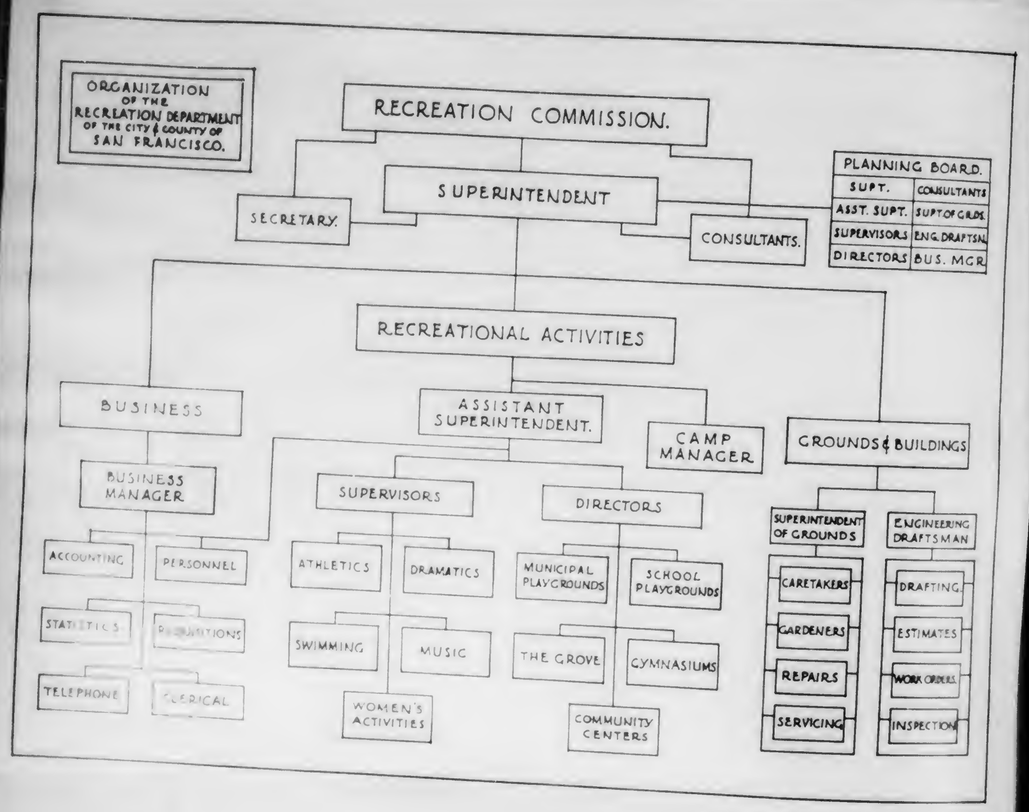
Playground Commission

San Francisco,

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:50 P. M.

Veda B. Young
Secretary

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COMMUNICATIONS

Playground Commission

San Francisco, October 18, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P. M. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. Joseph M. Gwinn
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

The minutes of the meeting of October 4th were on motion regularly moved and carried approved as read with the understanding that the plan submitted by Mr. F. P. Farquhar at that time be modified by him, if necessary, in order to comply with existing Civil Service regulations.

A communication addressed to the Recreation Committee was received from Mr. Wm. Coffman, Campaign Chairman for Supervisor J. Emmet Hayden asking that the department distribute election cards and sign pledge cards in Supervisor Hayden's behalf in connection with the November 7th election. On motion of Miss A. Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. J. M. Gwinn and carried, the Commission requested the Secretary to reply stating that as a Commission no political action could be taken, but that individually they wished him great success. Letter ordered filed.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported that the property at Gilman and Griffith Streets could be purchased for seventy-five hundred dollars ($7,500.00), and that it should be purchased immediately. The Superintendent said that it was necessary to transfer intra-departmental funds to complete the purchase.

On motion of Miss A. Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. J. M. Gwinn, the Commission approved the purchase of 6.67 acres at Griffith and Gilman Streets from the Bay View Land Company for the sum of seventy-five hundred dollars ($7,500.00) and approved the transfer of seventeen hundred and five dollars ($1,705.00) of intra-departmental funds to appropriation No. 36-6 Land. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. J. McLaren, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Mr. F. P. Farquhar reported progress since the last Commission meeting, and informed the Recreation Commission that he will submit the final plans when completed.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Homer B. Pack had orally tendered his resignation as Supervisor of Construction and Maintenance to take effect December 1st, 1933, and his resignation had been accepted by her. The following letter from Mr. Pack was thereupon presented to the Commission and was ordered filed.

"To the Honorable Recreation Commission,
City Hall October 18, 1933.

Subject: REDUCTION IN FORCE

Gentlemen:

Referring to the above subject, Miss Josephine D. Randall, Superintendent of Recreation, requested the writer to present his resignation because of lack of funds, which would preclude any further construction work, this resignation to take effect December 1, 1933.

If Miss Randall's request meets with your approval, kindly instruct the appointing officer, Miss Randall, to advise the writer in writing, which advice will authorize the retirement funds to permit the withdrawal of funds to the writer's credit.

The above procedure being in accordance with Section 2, of Civil Service Commission's Rule #26, as follows:

'Section 2. PERMANENT POSITIONS: Whenever it becomes necessary for an appointing officer to reduce the number of persons employed under his jurisdiction in permanent positions in any class, such persons shall be laid off or relieved from duty in the inverse order of their appointment in his jurisdiction and shall be entitled to such rights as are provided in Section 5 of this rule.'

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Homer B. Pack."

On motion of Miss A. Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. Pack's resignation was accepted to take effect December 1, 1933, and the Superintendent was asked to write Mr. Pack a letter expressing the Commission's appreciation of his services, and their wish for his success in future undertakings. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. J. McLaren, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

The Chairman of the Camp Committee recommended that the position

of Foreman of Buildings and Grounds at Camp Mather be vacated. His salary is $185.00 a month. The work at the camp does not warrant this large salary and for economy other arrangements can be made to care for the property. On motion of Miss A. Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. J. McLaren, and carried, the position of Foreman of Buildings and Grounds at Camp Mather is to be vacated on November 15, 1933 for purposes of economy. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. McLaren, Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. J. C. Berendsen. Noes: Mr. J. P. Murphy.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. John J. Barry, Storekeeper, has proved on many occasions that he is incompetent and she recommends that he be dismissed from the department.

Mr. F. P. Farquhar also gave instances of Mr. Barry's incompetence including gross irregularities in the discharge of his duties. On motion of Mr. J. M. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. J. McLaren, the Commission referred the entire matter to the Superintendent with power to act. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. J. McLaren, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that the reorganization of the department necessitated the employment of two additional clerks, one to assist Mr. W. L. McElvaney and one to assist Mr. F. O. Foehr, at the approximate salary of $150.00 each. On motion of Mr. J. M. Gwinn, seconded by Miss A. Mosgrove, and carried, the Superintendent was authorized to requisition two clerks from the Civil Service Commission for employment. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. McLaren, Mr. J. C. Berendsen. Mr. F. P. Farquhar pointed out savings that will be made through recent adjustments in the staff.

The Superintendent reported that the men working on a $3.00 a day basis were permanently laid off due to relief regulations.

At the last Commission meeting Mr. Pack was authorized to see Mr. Joseph Hickey and secure from the Olympic Club a three years' contract approximating $300.00 a year which would cover full cost of lighting Father Crowley Playground. Mr. Pack reported: The Olympic Club will pay $300.00 this year, as agreed, and if the season warrants will pay an additional one hundred dollars ($100.00). They hope to use the grounds in future, but are not in a position to guarantee paying for use of the grounds. On motion of Mr. J. M. Gwinn, seconded by Miss A. Mosgrove and carried, the Olympic Club's offer to pay $300.00 this year as agreed, with the possible additional sum of one hundred dollars, was accepted, and if they are to use the Father Crowley Playground in future, similar sums will be paid. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

On motion of Mr. J. M. Gwinn, seconded by Miss A. Mosgrove, and carried, the payment for lighting Father Crowley Playground, approximating eight hundred and fifty dollars ($850.00), was authorized. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. M. Gwinn, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

The Superintendent asked that a representative of the Commission attend the dedication of the Visitacion Valley Playground on Sunday, October 29th. Mr. J. C. Berendsen agreed to represent the Commission.

Miss A. Mosgrove reported that the Recreation Commission's exhibit at the Food Show held in the Civic Auditorium October 7th to 14th inclusive was very fine.

The Superintendent reported that the Recreation Committee of the Grand Jury wished to visit evening gymnasiums under the Recreation Commission's supervision on Friday evening, October 20th. Miss A. Mosgrove and Mr. J. C. Berendsen said that they would be glad to accompany them.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:45 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Edw. B. Gwinn
Secretary.

COMMISSION MEETING

Executive Session

Previous to the regular meeting, the Commission met in executive session at 2:15 P. M.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. John Barry had been dismissed from the department on the grounds of incompetency and inattention to duties.

The Superintendent also reported that Mr. Homer B. Pack had refused to sign the Civil Service resignation form and had requested a lay-off instead. Mr. Murphy reported that Mr. Pack had informed him that he did not wish to sign the resignation form as it would make it impossible for him to be transferred to another city department. The matter was left in the Superintendent's hands for further consideration.

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The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was then held at the hour of 3:15 P. M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. John P. Murphy

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 18, 1933 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A petition was received from the Parent Teachers' Association of the Presidio Junior High School, signed by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. A. Cahn of 681-11th Avenue, asking that the school site at 30th, 31st Avenues, Clement and California Streets be improved for play purposes.

The Superintendent reported that there are no funds for developing this site. The Secretary was asked to reply and explain the situation. The petition was ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported she requested the Bureau of Building Inspection to examine the Hayes Valley Recreation Center Building because of danager from falling plaster due to vibrations. The Bureau recommended installation of additional beams and braces. The Commission authorized the Superintendent to use her judgment in the matter, and suggested, as we are renting the property, the owners bear the expense.

A communication was received from Mr. J. A. Addiman asking this department to forward him a resolution regarding the Balboa Park Reservoir Site, similar to the Crocker-Amazon Resolution sent to the Public Utilities Commission. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Gwinn, and carried, the Secretary was instructed to comply with the request, and omit the payment of rent. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Gwinn.

The Superintendent presented a petition from the residents living adjacent to the West Portal Playground asking that a ten-foot fence with concrete foundation be erected, and that a lavatory be provided on the playground. The Superintendent recommended that the fence be erected if funds are available. The Commission asked the Superintendent to obtain accurate figures of the cost, and to submit them to the Finance Committee. The Superintendent did not recommend the construction of lavatories as the school lavatories are close, but suggested placing a gate between the school and playground properties. Mr. Gwinn asked the Superintendent to write the Board of Education and request approval for the gateway.

The Superintendent reported the watchman and his family living in our Corporation Yard were ordered by the Board of Health to vacate the premises or to connect the toilet with the street sewer to insure proper sanitation. Dr. J. C. Geiger stated he will not take action until he receives word from this Commission that the family has been moved or the sewer connected. The Superintendent was authorized to take the necessary action, and to make a report at the next meeting.

Mr. F. P. Farquhar reported that after making a study of the best method for handling our stores he recommends using the Municipal Warehouse. The Bureau of Supplies will pro-rate the expense of handling stores. This method should be less expensive to the department. There is no need to replace Mr. John Barry, former storekeeper, who has been dismissed.

On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Berendsen and carried, the Commission requested that as rapidly as possible all stores of the department that can be housed there, be transferred to the Municipal Warehouse. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Gwinn, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

Mr. Farquhar further expressed a belief that the satisfactory handling of the shop facilities could be worked out in future.

The Superintendent reported that she would like to retain the use of the two rooms in the City Hall basement now used to store supplies, for the purpose of storing dramatic properties and handling the details in connection with the unemployed work.

Mr. Murphy asked that the case of Joseph E. Tinney, playground director, who was laid off, be referred to the Superintendent with power to act. The Superintendent reported that she would place Mr. Tinney at Excelsior Playground again and would make the necessary adjustments.

The Superintendent asked the Commission to grant her permission to retain legal advisers when necessary.

On motion of Mr. Murphy seconded by Mr. Berendsen and carried, the Commission asked the Superintendent to first discuss the matters with the City Attorney and if he approves the retaining of special counsel, to do so. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Gwinn.

Mr. Berendsen made inquiry regarding the delinquent tax funds and reminded the Commission of the Mayor's request that when funds are available, Glen Park Playground be improved. Mr. Murphy stated the matter of the delinquent tax funds was left in Mr. Leahy's hands. Mr. Murphy further stated he would inquire regarding it, and would follow up the matter with Mr. Berendsen if advisable.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rea Horne

Secretary.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:10 P. M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph Marr Gwinn

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of November 1, 1933 were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mr. Wm. Reid of the Reis Tract and Paul Tract Improvement Club asking the Commission to assist them in securing a playground on Cowden Street between Wilde and Harkness Streets. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply that the Commission is taking the matter under consideration.

DELEGATIONS

Mr. George Schlesinger appeared before the Commission with a delegation to inquire about the delay in securing Crocker-Amazon Reservoir site for recreation purposes. The Commission assured the delegation, they have done all in their power to complete the arrangements, but must receive the approval of the Public Utilities Commission for the lease before they can develop the property. The delegation decided to act on the Commission's recommendation that they attend and present the situation at the next meeting of the Public Utilities Commission.

Supervisor James B. McSheehy, Miss Alice Cummings, and Mrs. L. Larsen, in company with a delegation, presented a petition urging the establishment of a playground near Roosevelt Way, at 15th, States, and Castro Streets in Corona Heights. Supervisor McSheehy suggested that the Commission investigate the location, select a site, and include an amount sufficient to purchase the property in the 1934 Budget. He plans to co-operate with the Commission in acquiring and developing this site. The petition was ordered filed.

Mr. Joseph J. Phillips, Director of Property, presented two bills relating to the acquisition of property at Gilman and Griffith Streets from the Bay View Land Company. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the bills, one for $5.00 in favor of the California Pacific Title and Trust Company representing premium on title insurance policy, and one for $44.50 representing the city's pro rata of taxes. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn.

Three bids were received for replacing all broken tile, and for substituting a small section of tile to prevent baseballs from jambing, on the roof of the Portola Field House. On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission approved the lowest bid of $145.00. This figure includes two separate items: one for $95.00 for replacing tile and one for $50.00 for substituting tile, in favor of Wm. J. Anderson, Roofing Tile Contractor. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Gwinn Mr. McLaren.

The 1933 Sewer Bond Proposition which includes a provision for the correction of sewerage disposal near China Cove was passed at the November 7 election. The State Park Commission's resolution of February 18, 1933 states that before they will allocate money for the purchase of China Cove, they must receive definite assurance that money is legally available to take care of the sewage and correct the sanitary situation to the satisfaction of the San Francisco and State Health authorities. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission asked the Superintendent to write to Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, for definite information on the funds available and how they will be spent in handling the sewerage disposal adjacent to China Cove. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn.

On motion of Mr. Gwinn, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission asked Mr. W. L. McElvaney to receive informal bids for the cover and door of the pumping plant at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn.

Mr. Merchant presented two ground plans for the Commission's consideration: one the layout of Glen Park Playground, and the other, Potrero Hill Playground.

The Superintendent reported plans for re-allocating the office space for the purpose of greater efficiency.

Mr. Farquhar reported progress in his work of reorganizing the business methods of the department. Since the last meeting of the Commission, this department's storehouse has been discontinued, and all materials and supplies have been moved to the Municipal Warehouse.

The Superintendent stated that she desired to have Mr. Farquhar make a special investigation of transactions affecting construction and main-

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tenance work, but that as this was not contemplated in Mr. Farquhar's contract with the department, it should be done in addition to the work already authorized. Mr. Farquhar stated that he thought he could do the necessary work within a maximum period of five days. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission authorized payment to Mr. Farquhar at the rate of $40.00 a day, not to exceed five days for this work -- this to be in addition to the former authorization. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn.

The Superintendent reported that she had conferred with Mr. O'Toole, the City Attorney, who assured her that he would furnish the Recreation Commission with all necessary legal advice.

The Superintendent reported this department is co-operating with the local committee in listing projects for using funds that may be forthcoming from the Federal Civil Works Administration.

The Superintendent reported there are two caretakers who have been ill since 1932, and whose names have been retained on the Pay Roll, although they receive no compensation. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Superintendent was authorized to carry the names of Mr.L. S. Ross and Mr. Wm. Creamer on the Pay Roll indefinitely. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Gwinn.

The Superintendent reported she has heard that taverns are about to be opened in the vicinity of playgrounds. The Commission authorized the Superintendent to present a map to the Beverage Commission showing the location of the playgrounds and the radius around the grounds where it is inadvisable to permit the sale of liquor.

The Commission asked that a copy of the calendar for each Commission meeting be sent in advance to the City Hall Press Room and the City Editors so that they will know what matters are coming before the Board.

Mr. Murphy reported that Mr. O'Toole is investigating the delinquent tax situation, and thinks that this Commission may be entitled to money that was placed in the delinquent tax fund prior to the adoption of the Freeholders' Charter. Mr. O'Toole does not believe we are entitled to the funds after the Charter went into effect. Mr. Murphy will look into the matter and report back.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida B. Young

Secretary.

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SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 P. M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Dr. Joseph Marr Gwinn
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

The Superintendent reported that the Civil Works Administration approved work on the following Recreation Commission projects: St. Mary's, Odd Fellows, Douglass, Gilman Beach Property, and Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. Ten hundred and fifty laborers, plus the necessary engineers, foremen, and timekeepers will be employed.

This department has also requested approval of a number of projects including Potrero Hill, Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site, 24th and Douglass, Glen Park, Margaret S. Hayward, new and repaired sidewalks surrounding playgrounds, repair of asphalt on playgrounds, painting of buildings, continuation of men on relief for certain activities, and use of women in various capacities. This work would provide employment for approximately 3,200 people.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission asked that a letter be sent the Board of Education requesting the transfer of the school lot at 9th Avenue and Ortega Street to this department for recreation purposes. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent stated if the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site can be acquired immediately, it may be approved as a C. W. A. project. She reported that Mr. Edward Cahill, Manager, Public Utilities Commission, had advised her that the resolution for the use of the property as presented by the Recreation Commission had never been formally brought before the Public Utilities Commission, and that the original resolution adopted by his Commission still stood. The Superintendent was asked to write the Director of Property inquiring the lowest price at which this department can purchase the vegetable crops on the site, and how soon possession can be taken. In order to hasten action, on motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission adopted the lease of the Public Utilities Commission for the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. McElvaney reported that delinquent taxes in the sum of $4,042.60 were deposited with this department upon receipt of Controller's Cash Transfer Voucher No. 210 dated November 26, 1933. These taxes are for the period prior to the adoption of the Freeholders' Charter.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission rescinded their action of November 15 that the calendar of the Commission meetings be sent to the City Editors and City Hall Press Room. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Murphy.

A report on reorganization of the Recreation Department was presented by Mr. Farquhar, and discussed by the Commission. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission accepted Mr. Farquhar's report, and decided to take it up at the next Commission meeting. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen. (See Sheet No. 936 for Mr. Farquhar's report.)

The Superintendent reported a letter was received from Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, stating that funds will be available about January 20, 1934, to take care of sewage conditions adjacent to China Cove, and that the Engineering Department will proceed with plans and specifications to remedy the situation as soon as possible. The Superintendent was asked to notify the State Park Commission accordingly.

The Superintendent presented the Commission with a copy of the Grand Jury's favorable report of this department which had been submitted to the Mayor. The Mayor sent copies of his letter and that of Mr. Ralph I. Ebner, Chairman of the Playground Committee of the Grand Jury, to this department which expressed appreciation of the work of this Commission and its staff.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Superintendent was authorized to write the City Planning Commission with reference to the rezoning of the area adjacent to the newly acquired playground in the Odd Fellows Cemetery Site. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida B. Young

Secretary.

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REORGANIZATION OF THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, NOVEMBER 29, 1933.

Recreation Commission of the City and County of San Francisco.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

From time to time during the past three months I have made reports of progress toward a plan of reorganizing the procedure and methods of control within the Recreation Department. I now present for your consideration certain specific recommendations. These recommendations are illustrated by a chart in which are shown the proposed grouping of functions and the proposed lines of responsibility. Appended to this report are certain extracts from the Charter gathered together for the convenience of reference.

*See chart, made a part of minutes of Oct.4,1933, p.318

Formerly, as shown by a chart published in the Annual Report of the Commission for the year 1930-1931, all functions of the Department were theoretically under the Assistant Superintendent, who apparently was to act as a general lieutenant of the Superintendent. In practice, however, the Assistant Superintendent's responsibilities were limited to a portion only of the recreational activities, for the supervisors of specialties reported directly to the Superintendent, as did the Secretary, the Business Division, and the Engineering Division. To take care of the growth of certain special activities playground directors were detailed from time to time. The Business Division consisted of individuals whose work was not co-ordinated under any one head. The Engineering Division included design, construction, maintenance and stores. Under the plan of organization herein recommended the following changes are proposed:

1. The Assistant Superintendent to be placed directly in charge of all recreational activities excepting the Camp, but relieved of responsibility for the other divisions of the Department.

2. The positions of Supervisor of Athletics and Supervisor of Women's Activities to be created, co-ordinate with the positions of Supervisor of Dramatics, Supervisor of Music and Supervisor of Swimming.

3. The position of Business Manager to be created for the purpose of caring for the duties of budgetary control, regulation of requisitions, supervision of the bookkeeping and other clerical work of the Department, and of serving as the means of contact between the Department and other business departments of the City.

4. The Division of Engineering to be abolished and all construction work and all maintenance, other than that of a routine character, to be done hereafter by the Board of Public Works.

5. The position of Supervisor of Playground Construction and Maintenance to be abolished, for the reason that most of the work formerly performed will hereafter be done by the Board of Public Works.

6. The Division of Grounds and Buildings to be created, with the Superintendent of Grounds in charge of the caretakers, gardeners, and ordinary maintenance work, and the Engineering Draftsman in charge of drafting, estimating, work orders and inspection.

7. The position of General Storekeeper to be abolished, for the reason that the materials and supplies formerly carried in stock by this Department have been transferred to the custody of the municipal warehouse and in the future they will be requisitioned directly from the City Purchasing Department.

8. A Planning Board to be instituted, for the purpose of co-ordinating plans for development and repair. This is to be an informal board, called together by the Superintendent when occasion requires. It includes the heads of divisions, the respective supervisors and the respective playground directors concerned, and others, such as consultants, whose opinions may be useful. Its functions are advisory only.

9. The Secretary to the Commission to serve, in addition to the stenographic capacity, as assistant to the Superintendent in matters of public relations, special functions, and similar duties.

10. The services of consultants in architecture, accounting, organization and other technical matters, to be obtained by contract as occasion requires.

It is my belief that these proposed changes, if put into effect, will result in substantial economies in operating the Department and will promote the efficient conduct of its work.

Respectfully submitted,
(signed) FRANCIS P. FARQUHAR,
Certified Public Accountant.

EXTRACTS FROM CHARTER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
(In effect January 8, 1932.)

THE COMMISSION

The duties and terms of the Recreation Commissioners are fixed by the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco in effect January 8, 1932, in which it is provided that:

"Section 40. The Recreation Department shall be under the management of a Recreation Commission consisting of seven members, five of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor, and

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who shall serve without compensation. Three of the members appointed by the Mayor shall be men and two shall be women. The Superintendent of Schools and the Superintendent of Parks shall be members of the Commission ex officio . . . . .

"The Recreation Commissioners shall be the successors in office to the Playground Commissioners holding office at the time this charter shall go into effect. The powers and duties of the commissioners relative to the management and control of playgrounds and public recreation centers, exclusive of those located in public parks or delegated to the Park Commission, as such powers and duties exist at the time this charter shall go into effect, shall be continued as the powers and duties of the Recreation Commission under this charter, except as otherwise provided."

The powers and duties referred to appear to be those defined in the former Charter (Edition of 1929) under Article XIV-A, from which the following quotations are made:

"Section 1. All children's playgrounds now owned by the City and County, and all children's playgrounds that shall hereafter be acquired by the City and County, and all public recreation centers (other than those specifically mentioned as under control of the Park Commissioners) shall be under the management and control of . . . . . the Playground Commissioners. . . . ."

"Section 5. The Commissioners shall have complete and exclusive control, management and direction of the aforesaid playgrounds and recreation centers, and the exclusive right to erect and to superintend the erection of buildings and structures thereon, and to that end they may employ superintendents, surveyors, engineers, laborers and other employees and assistants and prescribe and fix their duties, authority and compensation. They shall have the exclusive management and disbursement of all funds legally appropriated or received from any source for the support and equipment of the aforesaid playgrounds and recreation centers . . . . ."

Further definition of powers and duties of commissioners are found in Section 10 of the present Charter. Included is the power:

"(h) To appoint a ..... superintendent ..... to be the administrative head of the affairs under its control, who, unless otherwise provided, shall not be subject to the Civil Service provisions of this Charter, and shall hold office at its pleasure."

THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Charter provides (Section 42) that:

"The Recreation Commission shall appoint a Superintendent, who shall hold office at the pleasure of the Commission."

The powers and duties of the Superintendent are defined in Section 20 of the Charter, as follows:

" ..... The Chief Executive appointed by each board or Commission ..... shall have the powers and duties of a department head, except as otherwise specifically provided in this Charter.

"Each executive department head shall be immediately responsible to ..... the ..... Commission ..... for the administration of his department .....

"He shall act as the 'appointing officer' under the Civil Service provisions of this Charter for the appointment, discipline and removal of such officers, assistants or employees as may be authorized ..... non-civil-service appointments and any temporary appointments in emergencies or any division thereof, and all removals from positions made by . . . . . the appointing officer shall, at the request of the ..... Commission be in writing .....

"He shall issue or authorize all requisitions for the purchase of materials, supplies and equipment required by such department, provided that, on the written request of the .... Commission in charge of any department, the head of any ..... subdivision of a department may likewise be vested with such power. Each department head or the head of a .....subdivision ..... shall be responsible for the proper checking of all materials, supplies and equipment ordered for its purposes, and for the approval or disapproval of bills in claims rendered for such materials, supplies or equipment .....

OPERATION OF, OR CHANGE IN, POSITIONS, AND APPROPRIATION IN MONEY.

The Charter provides (Section 18) that:

"All positions in the Recreation Department, except that of Superintendent and those on part time service, are hereby made subject to the Civil Service provisions of this Charter ....."

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Under Section 20, it is provided that:

"Each department head may suggest the creat'on of positions subject to the provisions of this Charter, and may reduce the forces under his jurisdiction to conform to the needs of the work for which he is responsible, any other provision of this Charter to the contrary notwithstanding.

"The ..... Commission concerned, on the recommendation of any department head, or on ..... its own motion, may combine or may transfer and redistribute among departments or offices under ..... its authority ..... any function or duty assigned to or continued by this Charter in any department."

The method by which positions may be created is set forth in Section 143 of the Charter; which also constitutes Rule 18 of the Civil Service Commission:

"Section 143. Positions in any department or office of the City and County may be created, as provided by this Charter, by appropriation ordinance of the Board of Supervisors. Copy of each such ordinance creating or abolishing positions shall be filed, on the approval thereof, with the Civil Service Commission by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors. Before the appointing officer shall make recommendation for the creation of any new or additional position in any department or office, he shall request and receive from the Commission the proper designation and classification of such position based on the duties and responsibilities thereof, and if such position is included in the classified Civil Service, the Commission may, in writing, express to the appointing officer its opinion as to whether or not such position is needed....."

Although, from Section 20, it seems that "functions" or "duties" may be redistributed between offices within the department upon motion of the Commission, the provisions of Section 141 indicate that the duties assigned to an individual employee are subject to the classification of the Civil Service Commission.

"No person shall hold a position outside of the classification to which he has been appointed, provided that every employee of any department or office shall discharge any of the duties pertaining to such department or office to which his chief may temporarily assign him."

Provision for reduction in force is made by Rule 26 of the Civil Service Commission, which reads, in part, as follows:

"Section 2. Permanent Positions: Whenever it becomes necessary for an appointing officer to reduce the number of persons employed under his jurisdiction in permanent positions in any class, such persons shall be laid off or relieved from duty in the inverse order of their appointment in his jurisdiction and shall be entitled to such rights as are provided in Section 5 of this rule."

Recreation Commission of the
City and County of San Francisco.

February 21, 1934.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Subsequent to the time of writing my report to you dated November [illegible], relative to the [illegible] of Engineer -- and the position of Superviser of Construction and Maintenance, on the ground that Civil Service [illegible] the work heretofore done by this division should [illegible] Public Works.

[illegible] my recommendations were that owing to the intermittent [illegible] there would be frequent periods in [illegible] was not carried on, and that it is uneconomical [illegible] services could not be fully [illegible] the alternative of laying [illegible] back to service when work re[illegible] view of efficiency and economical administration [illegible] maintaining the Division of [illegible] provisions of the Charter and under [illegible] to have construction work done by [illegible] affordable.

[illegible] my recommendations to read as follows:

[illegible] the abolition and all construction [illegible] a routine character, to be done [illegible] employment of Civil Service employ[illegible] service for specific work.

[illegible] Playground Construction and Maintenance [illegible] be an incumbent or eligible person

Very truly yours,

(Signed) CHARLES P. FARQUHAR
Certified Public Accountant.

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San Francisco, December 6, 1933

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held at 2:15 P. M. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Dr. Joseph M. Gwinn

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 15, and November 29, 1933, were on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. A. W. Scott, Jr. regarding the re-zoning of Odd Fellows Cemetery Site. The Superintendent was asked to reply and state that the Commission understood at the time they were negotiating for the playground that the surrounding property was to be developed for high-class residences. A copy of the letter is to be sent to the City Planning Commission Mr. Scott's letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from the State Park Commission suggesting that plans and specifications for the correction of the sewer situation at China Cove be approved by Mr. C. G. Gillespie, Chief, Bureau of Sanitary Engineering, State of California, before proceeding with the work. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent reported that she had requested the City Engineer to submit plans and specifications for Mr. Gillespie's approval.

A letter was received from Dr. Alexander C. Roberts, President, State Teachers' College, asking this department to co-operate with his organization in supervising their play area after school hours, Saturdays and Sundays. The Superintendent recommended that this department co-operate as suggested, if funds are available. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Gwinn, the Superintendent was authorized to find out what funds would be necessary and to make such arrangements as she felt advisable. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Gwinn. The letter was ordered filed, and Dr. Roberts is to be consulted.

A letter was received from Mr. J. H. McCallum stating that one of his Board members, a contractor, is to make an inspection of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center building from a safety standpoint. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Community Chest asking that the delegates and alternates be appointed for the Recreation Council for 1934. The Commission appointed Miss Mosgrove and Mr. Berendsen as the delegates, and the representative from the Board of Education as the alternate. The letter was ordered filed, and the information is to be sent.

A communication was received from Mrs. J. B. Jordan, of 1231 Fitzgerald Avenue, representing the Bay View Promotion Association, thanking the Commission for purchasing the beach property at Gilman and Griffith Streets, and recommending the purchase of additional land adjoining the playground on Fitch Street, to prevent a right-of-way being made across the playground. Mr. J. J. Phillips explained there is no urgent need to acquire the property, and that a right-of way can not be forced across the playground. The Commission asked that Mrs. Jordan be thanked for her letter. The communication was ordered filed.

DELEGATES

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Cassidy and Mr. Murray Norton came before the Commission requesting the acquisition of land by purchase or exchange near St. Mary's Park Playground for the "Crocker" Lake project, and suggested that it be included with the C. W. A. projects. The Commission stated they are not in a position to purchase this property, and there is no city land that can be exchanged. Mrs. Cassidy stated her willingness to approach Mr. Wm. H. Crocker, owner of the property, regarding the donation of this land for lake development. She will inform the Commission regarding the outcome.

The Superintendent reported that she had addressed a letter to the Public Utilities Commission regarding the Crocker-Amazon Resolution in order to have a definite statement on record.

The Superintendent reported that there are 1250 men and 35 women working for this department on C. W. A. projects. This represents 15% of all employed on C. W. A. work.

The Superintendent reported that blasting must be done on several playground projects. She was authorized to request the C. W. A. to include in their funds the bonding of employees, and bonding for property protection for the playground projects. If that is not possible, she was authorized on motion of Dr. Gwinn, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, to secure the bonds for protection against injury to employees and damage to property for the necessary period of time. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Gwinn.

The Superintendent recommended that Mr. Farquhar's report of November 29, 1933 be approved, and that the following positions, based on the

report, be abolished: General Storekeeper, Supervisor of Playground Construction and Maintenance; and that the following positions be created: Supervisor of Athletics, Supervisor of Women's Activities, and Business Manager. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Gwinn, the Commission adopted the Superintendent's recommendation based on Mr. Farquhar's report. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Gwinn.

The Superintendent reported that construction work in the department will have been completed by the end of this month, and therefore the work of the Supervisor of Construction and Maintenance, three laborers and one sub-laborer foreman will be finished on December 31, 1933.

On motion of Dr. Gwinn, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission authorized the alteration expense for reallocating the Recreation Department offices in the sum of $406.00, in order to make the reorganization plans effective. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Gwinn, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent recommended abolishing the position of Foreman of Buildings and Grounds at Camp Mather, as there is no longer a need for this position. On motion of Dr. Gwinn, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Dr. Gwinn, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent recommended the printing of a folder on the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. On motion of Dr. Gwinn, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the printing of 10,000 copies of the folder in favor of A. Carlisle and Company for $160.00. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Dr. Gwinn, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

Dr. Gwinn reported the Board of Education granted the Recreation Commission the use of the school lot on 9th Avenue and Ortega Streets, and the letter authorizing this will be sent. The Commission asked that a letter of thanks be forwarded when the letter is received.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Gwinn, the Commission approved the purchase of miscellaneous furniture, belonging to the Foreman of Buildings and Grounds at Camp Mather, for use in one of the cabins, in the sum of $109.40. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Gwinn.

The Superintendent reported that Supervisor Hayden is allowing the department $950.00 for the Christmas Pageant which this department is presenting in the Civic Auditorium on December 23, 1933.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young
Secretary.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P. M. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 6, 1933 were on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Public Utilities Commission enclosing the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site Resolution No. 407, which the Recreation Commission, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read. Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 407

RESOLVED, That the Recreation Commission of San Francisco, California, is hereby granted permission to use for recreation purposes the following described property in the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, upon terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, which said property is under the jurisdiction and control of the Water Department of the Public Utilities Commission of San Francisco, and is known as the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site, described as follows:

All that certain parcel of land situated in the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, bounded on the South by Geneva Avenue, on the West by Moscow Street, on the North by the North line of Assessor's Block 6284-A, on the East by the Roadway running Southerly from La Grande Avenue to Geneva Avenue.

I. Use and benefit of the property hereby granted the Recreation Commission shall continue until in the opinion of said Public Utilities Commission such property may be required for the purposes of the said Public Utilities Commission;

II. For and in consideration of the permit herein granted, the Recreation Commission shall pay to the Public Utilities the sum of $150.00 per month as rental for said premises, such rental payable monthly in advance on the first day of each month so long as this permit may remain in effect. Use of the premises shall accrue to the Recreation Commission as of the earliest date that said properties are available for the use of the Recreation Commission.

III. As a further condition incident to the use of the above property, the Recreation Commission shall cause signs to be posted in conspicuous places on the premises to the effect that the land is under the control of the Public Utilities Commission and is being used under a revocable permit for sports, athletic and recreational activities under the supervision of the Recreation Commission. Said signs shall be worded and placed at the direction of the Public Utilities Commission.

The letter was ordered filed. The Superintendent was asked to proceed with arrangements to effect the transfer of this property as soon as possible.

A letter was received from Mr. A. W. Scott, Jr. regarding the playground in Odd Fellows Cemetery Site. This was in answer to the Commission's communication to him on the same subject. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, indicating preliminary work on the Baker's Beach Sewage Treatment Plant is under way. This information was sent because the State Park Commission had suggested that the Chief of the Bureau of Sanitary Engineering approve plans before proceeding with the work. The letter was ordered filed, and the Commission will be informed of any new developments.

A letter was received from Mr. L. S. Ross, Acting Controller, requesting the reallocation of department budget funds for the balance of this fiscal year to take care of overdrawn appropriations. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent authorized to comply.

Mr. McElvaney presented the revised budget showing the reductions to be made in order to meet the estimated available funds. On motion of Mr. Murphy, the revised budget was regularly approved. Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

A letter containing a resolution was received from the Board of

Education stating the terms under which this department may have the use of the school property located between 8th and 9th Avenue near Ortega Street. The Superintendent reported that this department is completing arrangements to have C. W. A. workers grade the property. The Chairman asked that the letter be read at the next Commission meeting after which time it will be answered.

A letter was received from Mr. Thomas Doyle, Secretary, Building Trades Council of San Francisco, inquiring about the reorganization plan of this department. Their representative Mr. James E. Rickets attended the Commission meeting. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Clarence F. Pratt, President, Outdoor Christmas Tree Association of California, inviting the Commission to attend John McLaren's 87th birthday party at 5:30 P. M., December 20. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter addressed to Mr. Murphy from Arthur W. Kennedy, Los Angeles Attorney, was read. It complimented Mr. Murphy on his recent radio address, and asked for information regarding the San Francisco Recreation Department. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to reply.

DELEGATES

Supervisor-elect Uhl appeared before the Commission regarding the lay-off of a playground employee. The Superintendent explained that due to lack of funds there will be no construction work at this time, and therefore the lay-off is necessary.

Mr. John J. Dailey, Attorney, appeared before the Commission in the interest of the men who will be affected by the elimination of construction work formerly performed by the Recreation Department. He questions the legality of transferring the construction work of this department to the Board of Public Works because the Recreation Department is under the Mayor while the Board of Public Works is under the Chief Administrative Officer. He discussed the legality of the various changes proposed in the reorganization plans that have a bearing on the construction and maintenance work of the department.

Representatives of the following organizations appeared in the interests of the men to be laid off: Mr. James E. Rickets, Business Representative, San Francisco Building Trades Council; Mr. Charles Helbing, Business Representative, Millmen's Local No. 42; Mr. D. H. Ryan, Secretary-Treasurer, Bay Counties District Council of Carpenters, Mr. Martin L. Bavage, representing Carpenters' Union No. 22; Mr. John Kelly, Plumbers' Union No. 442; Mr. Thomas Meagher, Painters Local No. 19; Mr. J. McKnight, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; and Mr. A. J. Osterloh of the East and West of Castro Improvement Club.

The Chairman stated the Commission has proceeded with counsel in these matters, and will receive a written opinion from the City Attorney upon his return to the city.

The Commission asked that Mr. O'Toole, the City Attorney, be requested to attend the next meeting of the Commission.

The Superintendent reported there are 2,145 C. W. A. workers employed by this department. This includes 2,057 men and 88 women. In addition, this department has requested 22 workers from the C. W. X., representing the teachers' group.

The Superintendent reported regarding blasting on C. W. A. projects, that in case of injury the C. W. A. authorities are taking the responsibility. The Chairman asked the Superintendent to receive a legal opinion on the bonding to prevent property damage.

The Superintendent reminded the Commission that this department is presenting the Annual Christmas Eve Pageant in the Civic Auditorium on Saturday, December 23, at 7:00 P. M.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. J. H. McCallum informed her that the expense for the work that should be done on the Hayes Valley Recreation Center building must be borne by this department. The Commission asked the Superintendent to investigate the lease, and find out who is legally responsible for the repair work that will insure the safety of the building, and to receive an estimate of the repair cost.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young

Secretary.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:45 P. M. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 6, 1933 were on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

The minutes of the minority meeting of December 20, 1933 were on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. E. G. Cahill, Manager, Public Utilities, authorizing this department to arrange for the tenants to vacate the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site. The letter was ordered filed, and Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, was notified to proceed accordingly.

The Board of Education's resolution governing the use of the school lot located between 8th and 9th Avenues near Ortega Street was read. It provides that any bulkheading or fencing necessary to safeguard adjacent property shall remain thereon when the property reverts to the Board of Education. The resolution was unanimously approved by the Commission. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee. The Commission asked that the Board of Education's letter be acknowledged, and filed.

The Superintendent reported that it is necessary to reduce expenditures again because of an additional budget cut. She recommended eliminating the purchase of athletic supplies for the next six months which will mean a saving of approximately $3,000.00. The Commission unanimously approved the recommendation. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported that some question had been raised as to the authority of requesting the Board of Public Works to do construction and maintenance work for the Recreation Department, and that pending settlement of this question it was desirable to leave in abeyance the recommendation to that effect contained in Paragraph 4 of Mr. Farquhar's report adopted December 6, 1933. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously voted to place in abeyance that portion of the recommendation namely "all construction work and all maintenance, other than that of a routine character, be done hereafter by the Board of Public Works". Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen and Mr. McLaren.

Mr. John J. Dailey came before the Commission in the interest of the men affected by the reorganization plan and urged that the Commission reconsider the abolishing of the Division of Engineering until the matter has been thoroughly investigated.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided to defer action in the matter until the next regular meeting. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 3:40 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 17, 1934

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:30 P. M. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 3, 1934 were, on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

Mr. Fred Levy, representing the Employees' Association of the Recreation Department, which was organized in March 1933, came before the Commission to congratulate Mr. Murphy on his reappointment to the Commission, and as a token of esteem presented him with several books on California history. Mr. Murphy responded that he is greatly interested in California history, is a native son of San Francisco, and asked Mr. Levy to convey his sincere thanks and appreciation to the Employees' Association.

An invitation was extended to the Commissioners to visit the meetings of the Employees' Association which are held once each month.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Sunset Transportation and Development Association notifying the Commission that an application for a dance hall permit directly across from Fleishhacker Playfield has been filed with the Police Commission. They asked for this Commission's assistance in bringing about a denial of the application. Since it is not within the province of the Commission to take action in matters of this kind, on motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to lay the question on the table. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

A letter was received from Mr. Don Marshall, Chief Inspector of the State Board of Equalization, assuring the Commission that his board will endeavor to prevent the establishment of any place of an objectionable character near the playgrounds. The communication was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to thank Mr. Marshall for the letter.

A letter was received from Mr. Joseph W. Robb, Attorney-at-Law. Attached thereto was a Memorial bearing the signatures of leading tennis players, including those of Helen Wills Moody and William M. Johnston, urging the Commission to exert every effort in having 100 tennis courts constructed in San Francisco, and to use unemployed persons to perform the work through Public Works Administration and Civil Works Administration Funds. The letter and resolution were ordered filed. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, and carried, the Superintendent was asked to answer the communication, explaining that this Commission realizes the great need for tennis courts but is not in a position to help because we have no land available, and there are not sufficient funds at our disposal.

A letter was received from Mr. Thos. F. Boyle, insurance broker, regarding a Contingent Liability Policy to protect the Recreation Commission in connection with blasting operations on C. W. A. playground sites. On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission instructed the Superintendent to take out a Contingent Liability Policy to cover public liability in the sum of $100/100,000 for the three playground sites where blasting operations are in progress, namely, Douglass, Gilman Beach and Potrero Hill Sites. The minimum premium for this policy is $30.00, and the estimated maximum cost for this fiscal year is $250.00. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that a check for $200.00 was received from the Olympic Club which will help to defray the cost of lighting the Father Crowley Playground. Mr. Kimbell has been asked to follow up this matter, and endeavor to secure an additional check from the Olympic Club.

The Superintendent stated that in the minutes of November 29, 1933, it was reported that $4,032.60 of delinquent tax money was deposited with this department. The Controller and City Attorney informed the department that this money has been transferred to the General Fund, and that this department will not receive delinquent tax money from and after the time that the new Charter became effective. However, we may have delinquent tax money that was received prior to the adoption of the new charter.

The Superintendent reported that the Controller's letter of January 4, 1934, indicates an estimated tax delinquency of 7% for San Francisco for this fiscal year which, therefore, reflects a reduction of $35,120.00 in the funds of this department for the present fiscal year. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent stated she furnished the Controller with a statement showing out of which appropriation this money will be reserved.

The Superintendent reported that some of the buildings adjoining the James Rolph, Jr. Playground are on our property line. She recommends that

this department straighten out the property line. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, and carried, the Superintendent was asked to write to the City Attorney and have him advise what action to take.

The Superintendent recommended that the backstop which was to have been erected at Julius Kahn Playground under the contract approved by the Commission in August 1933, be erected at Father Crowley Playground instead because a new backstop is needed and a greater use for it exists on the latter playground. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the transfer of this work, which will cost $500.00, from the Julius Kahn Playground to the Father Crowley Playground. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that the present tenants of the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site are willing to cancel their lease for $3,400.00, and that upon payment of this sum the Recreation Department can take immediate possession of the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to leave the matter in the hands of the Superintendent with power to act in the negotiation for this amount. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent stated that she had received an unofficial report that the Hayes Valley Recreation Center Building is being undermined by termites, the roof is leaking badly, and the building is unsafe. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved closing the Center to the boys until such time as a written statement be obtained from the Building Inspector stating that the building is safe for the use to which it is put. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee. The Superintendent stated she is endeavoring to find a new location.

The Superintendent reported that a fifty vara lot on Edward Street opposite the playground site in the Odd Fellows Cemetery belongs to the City, and is lying idle. She suggests that the Commission formally request the use of this property. The Commission instructed the Superintendent to follow up this matter with Mr. J. J. Phillips.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved having this department endeavor to obtain an option on the six other pieces of land on the corner of Edward Street adjoining the fifty vara lot. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Commission decided to hold their annual meeting on Wednesday, February 7, 1934 at which time the officers for 1934 will be elected.

The Superintendent suggested doing away with the committees of the Commission, namely, Finance, Grounds, Play and Camp, and suggests that the entire Commission act on all matters.

The Superintendent reported that the Board of Education has closed the Laguna Honda School to make it earthquake proof. She recommends closing the schoolyard playground operated in conjunction with this school. The Commission unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation.

Mr. Berendsen suggested that in future this department take pictures of buildings adjoining playground sites where blasting will be done, before the blasting operations commence. Mr. George Harman was asked to follow up this matter in the future.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at the hour of 4:05 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young

Secretary

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin Lee

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES -

The minutes of the meeting of January 17, 1934, were, on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

The next order of business was the election of President and Vice-President, respectively, of the Recreation Commission for 1934.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. McLaren, Mrs. Stern was unanimously re-elected President.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Murphy, Mr. Leahy was unanimously re-elected Vice-President.

The President decided, for the time being, to follow the Superintendent's suggestion that committees of the Commission be abolished, and the entire Commission act on all matters.

DELEGATES

Mr. E. F. Ford, of 491 Rolph Street, representing the Crocker-Amazon and the Visitacion Valley Improvement Clubs, appeared before the Commission to inquire what progress had been made in the acquisition of the Crocker-Amazon Site, and requested additional development of the Visitacion Valley Playground.

The Commission informed him that the Crocker-Amazon property had been acquired and will, in all probability, be developed soon with C. W. A. funds.

Mr. George Allen came before the Commission to convey a message from Mr. Frank J. Filippi, President of the Bay View Merchants' Association, requesting the enlargement of the present Bay View Playground and the acquisition of land adjoining the Burnett School. The Commission promised to take the requests under consideration in making up their budget for the next fiscal year.

Mr. W. J. Varley, President of the Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Club and the Southern Civic Clubs appeared before the Commission and expressed the thanks of those organizations for the Commission's action in acquiring the Crocker-Amazon Site. He requested the acquisition of property in the Longfellow School District for a small children's playground. The Commission assured him they would take his request under consideration.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters were received from the Bay View Merchants' Association, the Bay View Voter's League, the Bay View Civic Club, the Bay View-Burnett P. T. A., and the Bay View Athletic Club, requesting that additional land be acquired adjoining the Bay View Playground, to provide more athletic facilities, and also that the Burnett School playground be enlarged to adequately take care of the small children. The letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply that the Commission will take the requests under consideration.

A communication was received from Mr. M. K. Kallo, Secretary of the Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Club, asking the Commission to provide a playground in the Longfellow School District. The letter was ordered filed and the Secretary asked to reply that the Commission will take this matter under consideration.

A letter was received from the North Beach Promotion Association asking the Commission to establish playgrounds on three city lots. The letter was ordered filed, and the Commission is to investigate the situation.

A communication was received from the Glen Park Community Club requesting the erection of a field house on the Glen Park Playground. The letter was ordered filed, and the Commission decided to include this request in next year's budget.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously decided to take under consideration in the 1934-35 Budget the following requests: two playgrounds for the Bay View District; Longfellow-School District playground; and the Glen Park Playground Field House. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove; Mrs. Stern; Mr. Murphy; Mr. Berendsen; Mr. McLaren; Dr. Lee.

A letter was received from Mr. Fred Lehr, Secretary of the Bernal Boosters, requesting the development of the former Bernal School property on Cortland Avenue, between Andover and Moultrie Streets. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary asked to reply that an amount sufficient to develop this property is being included in this year's budget requests.

A letter was received from the Haight-Ashbury Improvement Association requesting the supervision of the Andrew Jackson, Lowell High, and Dudley Stone Schoolyards. The Superintendent reported that the Andrew Jackson Schoolyard

has been supervised by this department since June 1928. She does not recommend taking over the Dudley Stone Schoolyard because the location of the school building and the lay-out of the ground would make supervision very difficult. She does not recommend supervising the Lowell High Schoolyard because it is only one block from Andrew Jackson Schoolyard. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to reply.

A letter was received from Mr. Phillips stating that $41,510.00 should be included in the 1934-35 budget to take care of commitments to purchase land in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove and the Odd Fellows Cemetery Site.

A letter was received from the West End Improvement Association asking that tennis courts be erected on the city property located between Balboa and Cabrillo Streets, 36th and 37th Avenues. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to notify the association that this property is not available, having been leased for a period of 35 years from February 1929 to the Francisco Maternity Hospital and Babies' Aid.

A letter was received from the Parkside District Club requesting this department to supervise the park area at 26th, 28th Avenues at Vicente Street. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary to inform the writer that this property is under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission and at the present time C. W. A. workers are developing the site.

Two letters were received from Dr. Andrew B. Musante, Secretary Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, objecting to the "bocci" ball courts which private individuals are operating on the Funston Playground Annex. One letter had been sent to the Mayor's Office before it was referred to this department. The letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to answer the association's letter explaining that the Superintendent and the Commissioners have thoroughly investigated the situation and find that the courts are not operated for profit, but are merely self-maintaining, that any individual wishing to join in the game may do so, and to re-assure them that the Commission is not establishing a precedent in permitting a private group to use the playground. They further asked that the Mayor's Office be informed of this situation. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove; Mrs. Stern; Mr. McLaren; Mr. Berendsen; Mr. Murphy; Dr. Lee.

A letter was received from the Mayor's Office enclosing a letter from the Mayor of Santa Barbara urging that representatives be sent to the Western Division Recreation Conference to be held in Santa Barbara, April 5-7, 1934. The letters were ordered filed. The Superintendent stated she will submit her recommendation to the Commission regarding who should attend.

Two letters were received from the Civil Service Commission, one stating that written promotive examinations will be held for the positions of Supervisor of Athletics, and the Supervisor of Girls' and Women's Activities, and the other classifying the duties of these positions. The letters were ordered filed.

A letter was received from Thomas C. Boyle regarding the contingent liability policy which this department took out with the Royal Indemnity Company covering public liability insurance in connection with blasting on C. W. A. playground sites. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary reported that the policy covers the two sites where blasting is under way, namely, Douglass and Potrero Hill.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved an interdepartmental work order in favor of the Real Estate Department for $100.00 to cover incidental expense in negotiating for the cancellation of leases on the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site; Ayes: Mrs. Stern; Miss Mosgrove; Mr. McLaren; Mr. Murphy; Mr. Berendsen; Dr. Lee.

Mr. John J. Bailey came before the Commission regarding the reorganization plan and inquired if the City Attorney's opinion had been received regarding the transfer of construction work from the Recreation Commission to the Board of Public Works. The opinion was received during the meeting, and the Commission informed Mr. Bailey that they would consider it at the next meeting.

Dr. Lee reported that the bungalows on the Laguna Honda Schoolyard are being used and a fence will be erected to protect the children from any possible danger from the Laguna Honda School building which is being rehabilitated. The Superintendent stated she will investigate this situation and see if it is advisable to re-open this schoolyard which was closed recently.

The Superintendent said she will ask Mr. Kimball for a report on the possibility of the Recreation Department receiving an additional check from the Olympic Club for the use of the Father Crowley Playground.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Cleary, Chief Administrator, is waiting on the acquisition of China Beach and has had word from the State Park Commission that their funds will soon be available. She stated, in order to cover this department's budget curtailment, the $30,000.00 set aside for China Cove, was transferred to meet the emergency. The Commission is of the opinion that the matter can be handled satisfactorily at the proper time.

The Superintendent reported that the $3,400.00 to cancell the leases on the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site will not be taken from the General Fund, but from the money set aside from this department's original budget to cover the tax delinquency estimated by the Controller.

COMMISSION MEETING - Continued

The Superintendent reported that the water bills for the Crocker-Amazon will be large. The budget estimate therefore will include the use of pumps to supply well water instead of city water.

The Superintendent reported that the city won the suit for the widening of Army Street which will necessitate this department moving its fence, and giving up a small portion of the James Rolph Jr. Playground for street purposes.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided whenever the Odd Fellows Cemetery Site is developed for playground purposes to name it the Angelo J. Rossi Playground in honor of Mayor Rossi who served for many years on the Recreation Commission, formerly known as the Playground Commission. Ayes: Mrs. Stern; Miss Mosgrove; Mr. Murphy; Mr. Berendsen; Mr. McLaren; Dr. Lee.

Mrs. Stern mentioned she received a letter from the Roosevelt Jr. P. T. A. asking that the Odd Fellows Playground be named "Roosevelt Playground". She answered the letter stating it was customary to name playgrounds when they were ready for dedication. The Commission stated they do not believe it is wise to give a playground the same name as one of the schools in the neighborhood.

The Superintendent reported that the Grattan P. T. A. are requesting the enlargement of the Grattan Schoolyard to Cole Street. This request will be listed in the 1934-35 budget for the Commission's consideration.

The Superintendent reported that she has asked for twenty-four women from C. W. S. Headquarters to supervise playgrounds during the mornings and will notify the School Department when this program goes into effect.

The Superintendent reported that Dr. Roberts requested that we supervise the schoolyard of the State Teachers' College. She recommends closing the John Muir Schoolyard and opening up the Schoolyard of the State Teachers College. The Commission approved the recommendation.

The Superintendent reported the Mayor is arranging a program whereby municipal employees will be trained in first aid service.

The Superintendent reported that the Methodist Church Board has made the necessary repairs to the Hayes Valley Recreation Center, and the underpinning is safe. Mr. Leonard, Superintendent of Building Inspection, wrote to this department stating if wire netting or ply board is placed below the ceiling of the second floor, it will protect the occupants from falling plaster. A statement is expected from Mr. Leonard to the effect that the building is safe for the purpose for which it is used. Activities have been resumed in the center.

The Commission decided to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, February 14, 1934 at 2 P.M. for the purpose of passing on the 1934-35 Budget.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:20 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda Blanning
Secretary

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P. M. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting.

DELEGATES

Mr. W. T. Varley, President of the Southern Civic Clubs, addressed the Commission in the interest of the Glen Park Community Club, which is requesting a field house for the Glen Park Playground. The Chairman explained that the Commission has included an amount in the budget for the field house, but it is a request over and above our operating cost.

A delegation from the Grattan School District appeared before the Commission regarding the request to enlarge the present school playground to include the entire block. Those who spoke on the project were: Mr. Simeon E. Sheffey, Mr. Fitz-Gerald Ames, Mrs. D. W. Muter, Mrs. C. E. Schroh and Mr. Chas. McKenna. The Commission decided to include $50,000 in the budget as an initial amount to be applied toward the acquisition of the site.

Mr. W. T. Varley, President, Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Club appeared before the Commission asking that an appropriation be made for the purchase of property in their district. The Commission decided to include $20,000 in the budget to apply toward the acquisition of a playground in the Longfellow-Mt. Vernon District.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. John B. Leonard, Superintendent, Bureau of Building Inspection, insuring the safety of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center Building. The letter was ordered filed.

Two letters were received, one from Mr. Fitz-Gerald Ames, Chairman Fathers' Council, Grattan P. T. A., and one from Judge George J. Steiger, requesting the Commission to include in its budget an amount sufficient to provide for the enlargement of the present Grattan School Playground. The letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission is including an amount in the budget to apply toward the acquisition of the property.

A letter was received from Mr. C. L. Rea, Secretary of the Bayside Hills and Valley Improvement Club, asking the Commission to clean out the burnt ships, and establish a beach playground at the foot of Blancken Avenue. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply. The beach playground which this Commission is developing at Gilman and Griffith Streets should serve this neighborhood.

A letter was received from Mr. George Paccini, of 451 Marina Boulevard, requesting an allotment of ground at the Funston Annex, where the Italian "Cheese" game can be played. The letter was ordered filed and the Superintendent was asked to reply stating that this would conflict with the present satisfactory use of that portion of the field now used for golf practicing purposes.

A copy of a letter sent to the Streets Committee of the Board of Supervisors, from the Principal of the Roosevelt Junior High School, was forwarded by Mrs. Sigmund Stern to the Commission. It requested the construction of a tunnel to connect the Roosevelt Junior High School and the playground which is being constructed in the Odd Fellows Cemetery Site. The letter was ordered filed.

Three letters were received from the Sunset District, requesting the establishment of a playground in their community, and two suggested the school lot situated on 24th and 25th Avenues, between Kirkham and Lawton Streets. The letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission has included two playgrounds for the Sunset District in the budget for 1934-1935.

A letter addressed to Mr. J. P. Murphy, from Mrs. Edna Urmy of 1011 Church Street, was received. It asked the Commission to place two flood lights in the former Edison Schoolyard, at 22nd and Church Streets. The Superintendent informed the Commission that this school lot is very near the Edison Schoolyard, now being supervised by the Recreation Commission, and if flood lights were installed, supervision would be necessary. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply.

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A communication was received from Capt. Powers Symington, Director of C. W. A. for San Francisco County, calling the Commission's attention to the need for removing some trees at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Department has been taking care of this work.

A letter was received from Mr. Wm. F. Traverso, Secretary of the Property Owners' Association of North Beach, requesting the establishment of a playground to the north of the Washington Irving School, which is located on Broadway near Montgomery Street. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that there are no funds available for the establishment of additional playgrounds at this time, and the budget requests for 1934-1935 have already been submitted.

The Commission on motion duly made and seconded, approved Interdepartmental Work Order No. 313, in the estimated sum of $1200, to cover departmental audit of and report on funds, books, records and systems of the Recreation Department. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that $1800 was included in our present budget, to cover the work which will be done by the Controller's Office. That office has employed Mr. F. P. Farquhar to do the work.

The Commission, on motion duly made and seconded, approved the transfer of intra-departmental funds on Sheets No. 305, and 312, in the sums of $3400 and $675, respectively, from the Materials and Supplies Appropriations to Personal Services. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, and Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

On motion duly made and seconded, the Commission approved Service order No. 311, in favor of Mr. Wm. G. Merchant for architectural services, and consultation on improvements and construction work for January, in the sum of $400.00 as specified in the Commission's resolution and contract dated September 6, 1933. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, and Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:20 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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San Francisco, March 7, 1934

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P. M., in Room 370 City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of February 7, and 21, 1934, were, on motions duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS and DELEGATES

Mr. J. J. Phillips appeared before the Commission and asked them to take the necessary steps to obtain immediate possession of the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site. Whereupon Mr. J. C. Berendsen made a motion which was seconded by Mr. J. P. Murphy and carried, that the Recreation Commission ask the Controller to release the $3,400.00 set aside in the Board of Supervisor's Resolution No. 1258, Code No. 12.17352 which authorized the acceptance of cancellation of leases from T. Ferrando and Company in the sum of $1,800.00 and F. Giocondi in the sum of $1,600.00, and the payment therefor, in order that the Recreation Commission may take immediate possession of the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Dr. Edwin A. Lee.

A letter was received from Mrs. Elizabeth B. Cassidy, Secretary of the Crescent District Improvement Club, asking the Commission to include in the 1934-1935 Budget an amount sufficient to acquire the proposed "Crocker Lake" property at Islais Creek Basin near the St. Mary's Playground Site. The letter stated that it is impossible for Mr. Wm. H. Crocker to donate this land because there are a number of non-residents of this State who have an interest in the property. Mrs. Cassidy appeared before the Commission regarding this request and suggested the possibility of exchanging city land on Jerrold Avenue in order to obtain this property. The Chairman stated it would be necessary to look into this matter further before reaching a decision. The letter was ordered filed.

Three representatives of the Parkside District Club, Mr. Ernest Swanson, President, Mr. F. Trowbridge, and Dr. James P. Warren, spoke before the Commission and presented a letter signed by Mr. Jas. J. Sullivan, Secretary, urging the acquisition of the property adjoining the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, known as Pine Lake. The land which they want developed for athletic purposes, includes between eight to twelve acres, in Block 2500A. The Chairman assured the committee that the Recreation Commission is in sympathy with their request, but due to lack of funds is not in a position to lend assistance at this time. The delegation hopes to work out a scheme for the acquisition of this property. Their letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply.

A resolution was received from Mr. Frank T. Kennedy, Secretary, Board of Fire Commissioners, transferring the Fire Department lot, 30 feet by 120 feet in Block 2490 located between 21st and 22nd Avenues, South of Wawona Street, and situated in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, to the Recreation Commission in accordance with the provisions of the Charter. The letter was ordered filed and the Secretary was asked to send a letter to the Board of Fire Commissioners accepting the property and thanking them for their action. A letter is also to be sent to the Director of Property asking him to prepare the resolution to be sent to the Board of Supervisors for their approval to complete the transfer of this property.

A petition which has the support of the Grattan, Columbus and Polytechnic High School Fathers' Councils, the Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Clubs and the Sunset Merchants' Association, was received from Mr. Charles Gerughty, Chairman, Laguna Honda Fathers' Council, asking that the Water Department Property containing approximately ten acres situated to the east of 7th Avenue between L and N Streets be acquired by this Commission and developed for recreation purposes. The Superintendent reported that this property is situated on an extremely busy thoroughfare which would be dangerous for the children using this area, that the homes in this neighborhood are all located on the opposite side of 7th Avenue, that only a small portion of the property is level, and it is not very far from the 9th Avenue and Ortega Site. The Commission decided not to consider acquiring the property at this time.

A resolution was received from Mr. Richard P. Gorman, Secretary, North Beach Promotion Association, asking the Recreation Commission to include in the 1934-1935 Budget an amount sufficient to acquire and develop the block bounded by Hyde, Larkin, Jefferson and Beach Streets, for athletic purposes. The Superintendent reported she investigated this request and finds that the property adjoins Aquatic Park and is close to San Francisco Bay. The resolution was ordered filed and the Secretary asked to reply that the Commission does not recommend the acquisition of this property.

A letter was received from Mr. Fitz-Gerald Ames, Chairman of the Grattan Fathers' Council, thanking the Commission for including an appropria-

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tion in the Budget for the purchase of property adjoining the Grattan School. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Charles H. Spengemann, asking the Commission to level off the school lot between 27th and 28th Avenues, Fulton and Cabrillo Streets so the children may use it. The Commission was of the opinion if C. W. A. workers are available the property might be levelled off at no expense to this department. The Superintendent reported it has not proved satisfactory to merely level off lots for play purposes. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply, stating their request will be investigated.

A letter was received from Mr. Howard Braucher, Secretary of the National Recreation Association in which he stated San Francisco was one of the fifteen cities selected to receive a gift of the Japanese Battledore game from the Japan Playground Association. The gift was sent to convey the goodwill of the Japanese Association to the United States. The Superintendent displayed this beautiful game to the Commission. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to acknowledge the gift with thanks and to forward a copy of the letter to the National Recreation Association.

A communication addressed to Mrs. Helen Moore of the Recreation Department, was received from Mr. Gaetano Merola conveying his deep appreciation for this department's cooperation in instructing the boys who participated in several of the operas. The letter was ordered filed.

The message of the Mayor of Honolulu which was sent to the San Francisco Recreation Department on the evening of the 3rd Annual Radio Pentathlon Meet was read. He commended the Commission in conducting this annual radio meet. The message was ordered filed.

Two letters were received from Mr. James J. Maher, Secretary, Civil Service Commission, one stating that the positions of Supervisor of Playground Construction and Maintenance, and General Storekeeper were not abolished, and the other asked that Mr. Lester J. Barnard who was formerly employed as Foreman of Buildings and Grounds at Camp Mather be restored to his position. The letters were ordered filed. The Superintendent reported that charges are being prefered against Mr. Barnard, and that Mr. Sylvain Leipsic of the City Attorney's Office is handling the case for this department.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. J. P. Murphy, the Commission approved Interdepartmental Work Order No. 325 in the estimated sum of $100.00 to cover the work of typing, verifying and making 20 ditto copies of the Recreation Commission's 76 page budget. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Dr. Edwin A. Lee.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission approved two Requests for Transfer of Intradepartmental Funds, one for $1,000.00 and one for $2,500.00, from Improvements, and Materials and Supplies to Personal Services Permanent. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Dr. Edwin A. Lee.

On motion of Dr. Edwin A. Lee, seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen, the Recreation Commission's Budget for 1934-1935 was approved as follows:

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES FOR OPERATION

Salaries (Including recommended increases and necessary new personnel)		$350,497
Operation and Maintenance		146,113
Land payments:		
Grove	15,485	
Odd Fellows	26,447	
China Cove	30,500	72,432
TOTAL FOR OPERATION		$569,042

APPROVED CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

New real estate	165,000	
New buildings	81,500	
Other improvements	175,470	421,970
TOTAL BUDGET AS SUBMITTED		$991,012

Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Dr. Edwin A. Lee.

The Superintendent recommended that seven of the employees of the Recreation Department be permitted to attend the Regional Recreation Conference in Santa Barbara, April 5 to 7, 1934 inclusive, with all expenses paid. On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Seconded by Mr. J. P. Murphy, the Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation and decided to send seven delegates to the Recreation Conference in Santa Barbara and to pay all expenses, not to exceed $200.00. Ayes: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Dr. Edwin A. Lee.

Mr. John J. Dailey addressed the Commission in the interest of Mr. Homer B. Pack. The Superintendent stated that Mr. Pack was temporarily laid

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off. Mr. Dailey raised the question of supervision of the C. W. A. work being performed on this department's properties. The Superintendent stated the City Attorney is to render an opinion regarding this.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:25 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young

Secretary.

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:30 P. M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting.

DELEGATES

Mr. J. Mahoney of 519 Valley Street, representing the 29th and Castro and the Upper Noe Valley Improvement Clubs, requested the Commission to purchase eight lots, 100' x 228', four fronting on Duncan Street and four on 27th Street. He also requested the purchase of a level piece of property approximately 200' x 525' at 29th, 30th and Castro Streets, and suggested the closing of Day Street. The Commission decided to visit the sites in the near future in company with Mr. Mahoney, and to look into the situation.

Mr. Melvyn I. Cronin, Mrs. Harry Heppert and Mr. Charles Gerughty, addressed the Commission and pointed out the need for developing a large supervised play field on the Water Department property east of 7th Avenue, between L and N Streets in addition to the other Sunset District sites included in the 1934-1935 Budget. They stated that the present curtailment of physical education activities for children after school hours, and the rehabilitation of school buildings has made the need more acute. They believe that traffic officers stationed on 7th Avenue can protect the children who would use the proposed site, and they urge the use of unemployed labor to level the property at no cost to this department. The Chairman stated that it has been difficult to secure all the C. W. A. labor needed, and that it was too late to have this request included in the 1934-1935 Budget. However, the Commission will consult Mr. Wm. G. Merchant, have him look over the property to see what can be done, and then take the matter under advisement.

Mr. John Dailey served a writ of mandate to the Superintendent and to each Commissioner present.

COMMUNICATIONS

A resolution was received from the Board of Education granting the Commission the use of the school lot located in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove between 24th and 25th Avenues south of Wawona Street until it may be desired for school department purposes. The resolution was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to send a letter of thanks.

A copy of the letter Mr. J. J. Phillips sent to the Board of Supervisors to complete the transfer of the Fire Department lot, situated in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, to this department, was read and ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. R. S. Hutchinson of the Matson Navigation Company thanking the Recreation Commission for the kindnesses shown his team in the recent basketball league. The letter was ordered filed.

A copy of the letter sent by the Second District San Francisco - California Congress of Parents and Teachers to the Mayor endorsing the Recreation Commission's request for land in the 1934-1935 Budget was read. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to send a letter of thanks.

A copy of the letter sent by the Haight-Ashbury Improvement Association to the Mayor approving the Commission's Budget request for purchase of land adjoining Grattan School was read and ordered filed. The Secretary was asked to send a letter of thanks.

Copies of Mayor Rossi's reply to these two letters were read and ordered filed.

The Superintendent recommended asking the Board of Education for the use of the school lot situated on Mission Street between 25th and 26th Streets for horseshoe links. The Commission unanimously approved this recommendation, and requested that the Board of Education be asked to allow the Recreation Commission to use the property.

The Superintendent recommended that the Commission request the transfer of the County Jail properties from the Sheriff's Department to this department. The Commission approved the recommendation and asked that a letter be sent to the Director of Property inquiring what procedure is necessary to effect this transfer.

The Superintendent recommended that the Board of Public Works be requested to make the necessary changes on the James Rolph, Jr. Playground in

connection with the widening of Army Street. The Commission approved the recommendation.

The Superintendent reported the baseball players at Father Crowley Playground have been complaining about the sun causing a reflection at the Harrison Street Diamond on account of the color of one of the buildings adjoining the playground. She recommends that one side of the building be painted green to take care of this objection. The Commission approved the suggestion if it also has the approval of the owner.

The Superintendent recommended sending Miss Rose McGreevy to attend the Municipal Section of the Camp Conference at Asilomar, March 24, 1934. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission approved sending Miss McGreevy to the Camp Conference and paying her expenses which will be $5.00. Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that she requested 400 men and women workers from the S. E. R. A. to assist in conducting our recreation program. She proposes keeping the playgrounds open from morning until dark.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young

Secretary

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:00 P. M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 7, 1934 were, on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

The minutes of the meeting of March 21, 1934 were, on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read, with the exception that Mr. McLaren does not approve transferring the County Jail Properties to the Recreation Commission, but is of the opinion that they should revert to the Park Commission.

DELEGATES

Mr. John T. Regan of 1489 Newcomb Avenue, Mrs. A. J. Milly of 1523 Kirkwood Avenue, Mrs. J. McWilliams of 1532 Revere Avenue, Mr. Fred H. Nickelson of 1486 Palou Avenue and Mr. Frank J. Filippi of 5174-3rd Street, representing various organizations in the Bay View District, addressed the Commission. They asked the Commission to recommend to the Mayor that an additional amount of $7,020 be added to the budget already submitted, to provide for the purchase of property, 125' x 200', fronting on Newcomb, Oakdale and Mendell Streets, for a small children's playground. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to lay the matter on the table for further consideration. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

Mr. John F. Digardi of 315 Montgomery Street inquired if he might make arrangements for his client to lease the Angelo J. Rossi Playground for a golf driving range for a period of three months, or longer. He would be willing to pay $75 a month for a three-month period, or a higher rental if a longer lease is obtained. He further stated, if the rental is not satisfactory, the Commission might arrange to take part of the gross receipts. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission decided to take this matter under consideration. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

Mr. Harry B. Allen informed the Recreation Commission that the State Park Commission is to place bonds on sale April 5, 1934 which are to take care of the China Cove purchase. The matching monies, namely, $30,000, should be received from the Recreation Commission at that time. The $30,000 which this Commission intended to apply on the purchase of China Cove is now in the funds set aside to meet possible tax delinquencies. The City Attorney and the Chief Administrator are endeavoring to find a way to legally release $30,000, less approximately $2,600 which represents interest that has accrued on the James D. Phelan Fund. The $30,000 is to be added to the James D. Phelan Bequest of $50,000 to complete the purchase. If that is done, the Commission, on motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, authorizes the Controller to deliver to Miss Josephine D. Randall, Superintendent of Recreation, a check for $30,000 as the City's donation for the State of California to purchase China Cove as a public playground. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

Dr. Edwin A. Lee reported that the George Washington High School will be situated in the blocks bounded by 30th and 32nd Avenues, Balboa and Geary Streets, and he would like to have the Recreation Commission consider a joint proposition for recreational facilities with the Board of Education. The Commission authorized Mr. Merchant to consult with Dr. Lee in this matter.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported progress in the transfer of the County Jail Properties to this department, and stated the Mayor's Office has been informed of this Commission's request for the transfer. The matter will, in due time, come before the Board of Supervisors for final action.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported that Mrs. N. B. Beckwith, who owns four and one-quarter acres adjoining the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove at 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard, is anxious to sell her property for $30,000 and is willing to take a deposit of $10,000. The Commissioners were agreed that it would be a good thing to own this property, but they can not consider the purchase because there are no funds available.

Mr. Murphy reported that Mayor Rossi informed him there will not be any increases in salaries this next fiscal year. Miss Mosgrove made a motion, seconded by Mr. Murphy and carried, that after due consideration by the Commission, while they feel that the employees are entitled to an increase in salary, the Recreation Commission withdraw its recommendation for all increases in salaries as included in the 1934-1935 Budget. Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. S. Ratto, Director of Athletics of the Verdi Club, requesting the lighting of the James Rolph, Jr. Playground. The letter was ordered filed, and he is to be informed that there is no money available for this purpose.

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A letter addressed to Commissioner Murphy was received from Mr. Edward P. Garrigan, Secretary of the Northern California Baseball Managers' Association, asking for a club house with shower facilities at the Father Crowley Playground. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that whenever funds are available this request will be given due consideration.

A communication was received from Mr. Richard P. Gorman, Secretary, North Beach Promotion Association, stating that one third of the block bounded by Beach, Jefferson, Taylor and Jones Streets is city-owned. The association is requesting this Commission to acquire, by lease or purchase, the balance of the property and develop it for athletic purposes. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that there are absolutely no funds available with which to lease or purchase additional property at this time.

A copy of the letter sent to the State Park Commission from Mr. Alfred J. Cleary, was read. It assured them that San Francisco is prepared to install a sewage treatment plant at or adjacent to China Cove which will meet all the requirements of the local and State Departments of Public Health, and of the Consulting Sanitary Engineer. The letter was ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following were approved:

Purchase Order Number 4872 for six-drawer steel cabinet $69.00
1 M ledger cards 22.00
- - - $91.00

Intra-departmental Funds, Number 341
Transfer of $275 from 36-1 Personal Services, Permanent to
36-1-1 " " , Temporary
(Bookkeeper for Camp Registrations)
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Intra-departmental Funds, Number 332
Transfer of $350 from 36-3 Materials and Supplies to
36-4 Equipment
(Metal Chairs for Camp Mather)

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

The Camp Manager reported five vacancies in the personnel for Camp Mather. The Commission approved the appointment of the following boys to fill the vacancies and asked that they be notified immediately: Darwin Marron, Aubrey Mendel, Edward Lynch, Jr., Charles Fenn, and Jack Hughes.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young

Secretary

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San Francisco, April 18, 1934

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P. M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 4, 1934 were, on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Board of Education granting this department the temporary use of the school lot on Mission Street between 25th and 26th Streets. The communication was ordered filed, and a motion was made by Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy and carried, that the Secretary write a letter of thanks to the Board of Education.

A letter was received from Mrs. Laura E. Gregory, Secretary, State Park Commission, stating Harry B. Allen, Inc. has deposited in escrow a deed for the entire China Cove property with the State of California. This was done with the understanding that the Recreation Department will pay the balance, namely $27,500, due Harry B. Allen, Inc. the first part of next fiscal year. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Harry B. Allen stating he deposited the deed for the China Cove property with the California Pacific Title and Trust Company with the understanding that the Recreation Commission will deposit with the State $52,500 at this time, and the balance of $27,500 on August 1, 1934 to Harry B. Allen, Inc. The letter was ordered filed.

In order to close the purchase of China Cove, the Commission, on motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, approved the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, the Recreation Commission has during the past year been negotiating with the State of California, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks, to acquire the property along the shore line of the Pacific Ocean to the northerly line of Sea Cliff Avenue and which said property is a portion of Subdivision No. 4, Sea Cliff, San Francisco; and

WHEREAS, the late James D. Phelan did, by his last will and testament, make available the sum of Fifty Thousand ($50,000) Dollars to aid in the acquisition of said property; and

WHEREAS, the said sum of Fifty Thousand ($50,000) Dollars made available to said James D. Phelan has earned the sum of approximately Two Thousand Five Hundred ($2,500) Dollars in interest and there is now available in the treasury of the City and County of San Francisco the sum of Fifty Two Thousand Five Hundred ($52,500) Dollars to pay to the State of California for the purpose of acquiring the aforementioned property; and

WHEREAS, the State of California, through its Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks, has agreed to contribute one-half the sum of the purchase price of said property, which said purchase price of said property amounts to One Hundred Sixty Thousand ($160,000) Dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Recreation Commission of the City and County of San Francisco does hereby order paid to the State of California the sum of Fifty Two Thousand Five Hundred ($52,500) Dollars on account of the contribution of the City and County of San Francisco towards the acquiring of the above mentioned property; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the above mentioned property has deeded the same to the State of California for park and recreation purposes as required by the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks, and there remains due to the owner of said property, to-wit: Harry B. Allen, Inc. the sum of Twenty-seven Thousand Five Hundred ($27,500) Dollars, which the said Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks, has requested should be paid to said Harry B. Allen, Inc. as the balance of said purchase price which is due to said Harry B. Allen, Inc. from the State of California.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that when the City and County of San Francisco shall be prepared to contribute to the State of California the said sum of Twenty-seven Thousand Five Hundred ($27,500) Dollars, which is the remainder of the contribution which the said Recreation Commission of the City and County of San Francisco has agreed to contribute to the State of California, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks, for the acquisition of the above mentioned property for and as a public park, that said sum be paid to Harry B. Allen, Inc., and that when the said sum is paid it shall constitute a payment in full to the State of California for and on account of the property hereinbefore referred to."

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren.

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On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission instructed Mr. J. J. Phillips to deliver to Mrs. Laura E. Gregory, Secretary, State Park Commission, the Recreation Commission's check, bearing Controller's No. 163, in the sum of $52,500 in favor of the State Treasurer of California. The issuance of said check from the James D. Phelan Bequest Fund was authorized at the Recreation Commission meeting on April 4, 1934. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported progress on the selection of a plan to meet with Mr. C. E. Gillespie's approval for the sewage treatment plant at China Cove.

DELEGATION

Mrs. Alice M. Cummings of 2378-18th Avenue, and five other members of the Ashbury Heights Improvement Club came before the Commission to thank them for including an amount in the 1934-1935 Budget for the purchase of Corona Heights. The delegation stressed the need for developing Corona Heights into a park and playground and asked the Commission to continue to co-operate with the improvement club in its effort to secure same.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported the Mayor expressed a desire to have him suggest a scheme whereby property needed for playgrounds may be purchased over a period of years. It was suggested that this year's request of $165,000 for land, listed under capital expenditures, might be divided over a period of five years. The Commissioners plan to confer with the Mayor on the Budget requests for land.

Mr. J. P. Murphy reported Mr. James Nealon, President of the Northern California Baseball Managers' Association requested this department to place someone in charge of the dressing rooms at the Father Crowley Playground to protect the clothes and property of the baseball players using the ground. The Secretary was asked to investigate this request.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission approved the transfer of Intra-departmental Funds No. 342, in the sum of $1,300 from 36-2 Contractual Services (May and June) to 36-2 Contractual Services (April). (This amount includes $1,200 for Recreation Department Audit, $300 for Camp Printing, and several small items.) Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Murphy.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:40 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Edna D. Young

Secretary.

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San Francisco, May 2, 1934

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:05 P. M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 18, 1934, were, on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. Leon Mendiondon of 2533 Post Street suggesting that the Commission consider the purchase of Block 1283 in which his property is located, and which is bounded by Stanyan, Shrader, Alma and Rivoli Streets. He suggested this lot in preference to the Grattan School Block, Number 1281, bounded by Cole, Shrader, Alma and Grattan Streets, because the property can be acquired more reasonably. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to refer this matter to Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property.

A petition, accompanied by a letter from Mrs. Alice L. Cummings, was received from the Ashbury Terrace Improvement Club asking the Commission to continue cooperating with their improvement club in the effort to secure a playground on Corona Heights. The petition was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to thank the improvement club for submitting the signatures.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 2:35 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:10 P. M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of May 2, 1934 were, on motion regularly moved and seconded, approved as read.

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A communication was received from Mr. E. G. Cahill, Manager, Public Utilities Commission, requesting this commission to grant the San Francisco Water Department an easement for the construction of a pipe line through the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove.

On motion of Mr. John McLaren, seconded by Mr. J. C. Berendsen, the Commission granted the San Francisco Water Department an easement for the construction of a 54 inch pipe line through the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove according to the plan submitted, and in compliance with the conditions embodied in the letter signed by Mr. E. G. Cahill under date of May 2, 1934. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Dr. E. A. Lee, Mr. J. McLaren, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. J. P. Murphy.

The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to notify the Public Utilities Commission of the Recreation Commission's action.

A letter was received from Supervisor Roncovieri inquiring about the Recreation Commission's budget requests, and if it is possible to purchase land from the 7¢ tax appropriation. The Commission approved the letter written by the Superintendent which shows the impossibility of acquiring land from the 7¢ appropriation because of the numerous expenses which take precedence over purchase of land. The letter from the Supervisor was ordered filed.

A general letter, which was sent to all city departments, was received from Mr. Leonard S. Leavy, notifying all department heads that they can not spend anything over their current monies and no confirming orders are to be issued between now and June 30, 1934. The letter was ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. John P. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Edwin A. Lee, the Commission voted to amend a motion passed by them on March 7, 1934 to include the names of the seven employees who were permitted to attend the Regional Recreation Conference in Santa Barbara, April 5 to 7, 1934, inclusive, with expenses paid, not to exceed $200.00. The employees delegated to attend were Miss Josephine D. Randall, Miss Hester Proctor, Mrs. Hazel Foster, Miss Rose McGreevy, Mr. Raymond Mitchell, Mr. Lewis Hinman, and Mr. Francis Cooley. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Dr. E. A. Lee, Mr. J. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. John P. Murphy, seconded by Dr. Edwin A. Lee, the Commission approved the transfer of Extra-Departmental Work, Fac. 2&3, in the sum of $644.00 from Appropriation Number 82-7 Improvements to 82-8 Contractual Services. Ayes: Miss A. Mosgrove, Dr. E. A. Lee, Mr. J. P. Murphy, Mr. J. McLaren, Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

Mr. Wm. C. Merchant presented the following plans to the Commission: 1 - The theoretical unit layout of future playgrounds based on present recreation areas including park and school properties; 2 - The Glen Park field house drawings; 3 - The Sloat Cove beach project.

The Superintendent reported on the S.E.R.A. activities to date. It is necessary for private agencies who want S.E.R.A. workers to secure them through a municipal department. She recommends setting aside two rooms at the Southside Center to be used for general administrative purposes including the handling of requests from the private agencies. The Commission unanimously favored the Superintendent's recommendation. The Superintendent further stated this department has requested 482 people, many of whom, if accepted, will be placed on playgrounds directing activities from 8:00 A. M. until dark. All persons placed on the S.E.R.A. must be strictly on relief.

The Superintendent reported that in company with Mr. Wm. C. Merchant, Mr. George Warren, Mr. Francis Moir and Mr. J. R. Carter, she visited Camp Mather this past week for the purpose of going over the entire camp, and making a study of future developments including landscaping.

The Superintendent reported the Public Utilities Commission has agreed to turn over the auto camp adjoining Camp Mather to this Department for supervision. Definite arrangements will be made, and presented to the Commission for approval.

The Commission decided to make an official visit to camp some time after June 15, 1934.

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The Superintendent reported that up to the present time 202 people, representing 74 families, have registered for camp.

Mr. N. R. Center presented a detailed financial statement of Camp Mather for the period January 1, 1933 through December 31, 1933, which included the following report:

TOTAL REVENUE.....	$28,965.55	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT.....		
DEFICIT.....	9,006.67	$37,972.22
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DISBURSEMENT ON OPERATION...	$22,674.50	
DISBURSEMENT ON MAINTENANCE.	4,774.62	
	$27,449.12	
DISBURSEMENT ON CAPITAL EXPENSE.....	10,523.10	$37,972.22
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TOTAL REVENUE.....	$28,965.55	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT ON OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	27,449.12	
SURPLUS.....	$ 1,516.43	
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Mr. Center also presented a report of the work accomplished by relief workers at Camp Mather between September 1932 and September 1933. If the Recreation Department had been obliged to pay the laborers at the rate of $4.50 per day, the work performed would have cost the Commission $38,746.83, whereas it actually cost the department $22,987.36, representing a saving of $16,759.47 gained by reason of using unemployed labor.

The Superintendent reported that the following people are out on sick leave at the present time:

CLAIRE EVANS (Director).....	From November 30, 1933 to May 15, 1934. Pay ceased May 15, 1934.
RENE HARMAN (Bookkeeper)....	From March 7 to April 30, 1934. Pay ceased on April 30, 1934
MARIE FOX (Director).....	From April 6, 1934 to date. Will return about July 1, 1934. (Entitled to salary)
DUDLEY BREMER (Director)...	From May 4, 1934. Expects to return about June 15, 1934. (Entitled to salary)
HENRY PETERSON (Caretaker)..	From April 7, 1934. Expects to return about July 1, 1934. (Entitled to salary)
JAMES HAGAN (Caretaker).....	From February 16, 1934. Expects to return about July 1, 1934. (Entitled to salary)
J. C. JOHNSTON (Caretaker)..	From April 1 to May 12, 1934. Recreation Department dropped Mr. Johnston from the Pay Roll on May 13, 1934. Retirement Office taking charge of case.
L. S. ROSS (Caretaker).....	On sick leave without pay since September 21, 1931. Leave extended for ten months on November 27, 1933.
MR. CREAMER (Caretaker).....	On sick leave without pay since June 7, 1933. Extended leave without pay was granted until May 1, 1934

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 6, 1934.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P. M. with Miss Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 16, 1934 were, on motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, approved as read.

Mr. John Dailey presented the Commissioners and Superintendent with copies of the Peremptory Writ of Mandate received from Judge F. P. Mogan which states that Mr. Homer B. Pack is to be restored to his position as Supervisor of Playground Construction and Maintenance, and is to receive pay at the rate of $297.50 per month from January 1, 1934 up to the time the Commission takes action on the writ. The Commissioners decided to hold a special meeting on Wednesday, June 13, 1934 at 2:00 P. M., for the purpose of taking up the Peremptory Writ of Mandate.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Lester J. Barnard is requesting that he be permitted to sign the necessary Civil Service form relinquishing the position he formerly held as Foreman of Buildings and Grounds at Camp Mather. The Commission approved the acceptance of his relinquishment, and thereby withdrew the charges against him.

In discussing the present sick-leave accumulative period of six months for Civil Service employees, the Commission feels that it is hampering the efficiency of this department to allow that much time. Therefore, they asked the Superintendent to write to the Civil Service Commission suggesting that the rule be changed so that thirty days be the maximum accumulative period for sick leave, and that if an employee finds it necessary to lose additional time he be entitled to reinstatement to his position at the end of his absence.

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A communication was received from the San Francisco Sporting Goods Dealers' Association complaining about the solicitation of business, namely, of athletic supplies on the playgrounds. This department does not allow individuals to solicit business on the playgrounds. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission does not allow this practice, and is anxious to co-operate in every way with the merchants of San Francisco.

A letter and a bulletin were received from the Eureka Valley Promotion Association asking that the money set aside in the Budget for a playground in the Eureka Valley District be spent to purchase an area located about 100' north of 19th Street between Collingwood and Diamond Streets -- about 125' on Diamond Street and 250' on Collingwood Street, said area being in an "L" shape. The Superintendent was instructed to see Mr. J. J. Phillips regarding this request, and that of the delegation favoring a playground on Corona Heights, and to report her findings to the Commission when a quorum is present. The letter and bulletin were ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Fitz-Gerald Ames, Chairman, Grattan Fathers' Council, thanking the Commissioners for their work in procuring an appropriation of $85,000 for the Grattan School District. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Public Utilities Commission confirming an arrangement granting the Recreation Commission jurisdiction over the Mather Auto Camp for the calendar year 1934, and making provision for this department to charge for the facilities offered. The fees are to be retained by this Commission to compensate for the expense involved to operate the auto camp. At the termination of this agreement a new agreement may be made or the present one renewed. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the terms of the agreement for the full supervision of the Mather Auto Camp as specified in Mr. E. G. Cahill's letter of May 17, 1934. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

A letter was received from Mr. Frank J. O'Brien, Secretary, Central Mission Improvement Association of 1400 Van Ness Avenue South, expressing the association's appreciation of the splendid manner in which Mr. Ernest Meyer addressed them on Camp Mather. The letter was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. Rosella C. O'Connor, Acting Corresponding Secretary of the McKinley P. T. A., telling the Commission how pleased the members are with the playground director, Mr. Harry Gray. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. J. A. Addleman enclosing several newspaper clippings of a baseball field which is being built in New York City. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Andrew B. Musante, Secretary of the Golden Gate Valley Improvement Association, asking the Commission to lay out two small baseball diamonds on Funston Playground. The Superintendent reported

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that if portable backstops are available, she will have them placed at Funston, but does not recommend the erection of permanent backstops. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Recreation Commission has been most liberal in meeting the requests of the Funston Playground District, but feels that any additional sum available for improvements, at the present time, should be expended in other districts of San Francisco.

The Commission asked the Secretary to notify Mr. J. J. Phillips to make arrangements with the Leavenworth-McAllister Realty Company for the renewal of the option on the Hayes Valley Recreation Center, which option at the rate of $120.00 per month expires June 30, 1934.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the transfer of the following Intra-Departmental Funds:

No. 364 for $2,000.00 from 36-5 Fixed Charges to 36-2 Contractual Services;

No. 365 for $1,250.00 from 36-1 Personal Services, Permanent, to 36-1-1 Personal Services, Temporary;

No. 366 for $600.00 from 36-1 Personal Services, Permanent, to 36-1-1 Personal Services, Temporary.

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

The Commission asked that a further investigation be made with regard to the delinquent tax situation, and find out if this department is entitled to receive a percentage of these taxes.

Miss Mosgrove submitted a report on the complete publicity work that has been done on Camp Mather this season. She recommends having a movie made to include the Recreation Department's activities at Camp and on the playgrounds, and having it shown before Improvement Associations and other organizations. To date 533 people have registered for camp, 54 registered on June 5, and reservations have been contracted in the amount of $10,609.00.

The Commissioners decided to make an official visit to Camp Mather on the week end of June 23, 24, 1934.

Miss Randall was asked to find out what kind of an official badge members of the City Commissions carry.

A letter was received from Mayor Rossi suggesting that, in compliance with a custom prevailing over the entire country, Saturday, June, 16, 1934 be proclaimed as Children's Day. The Commission approved this suggestion, and asked that it be done as a civic necessity. They authorized the Superintendent to send the Mayor and the press a program of the activities that will be conducted on this day.

The Superintendent reported that there will be a meeting of the playground directors on June 12, 1934 at which time matters concerning the vacation period will be brought to their attention.

The Superintendent reported the Recreation Department is the first to complete the course in First Aid which all city departments are to have their employees take. She plans to have the Mayor present the certificates, to all of the employees who passed the course, at 11:00 A. M., Tuesday, June 12, 1934, in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors.

The Superintendent reported that the Industrial Athletic Association, which is co-operating with this department's athletic program, is planning to appoint an advisory committee of seven members. They have asked that Commissioner Murphy serve on that committee with men from six business firms. The Commissioners expressed their approval of this action.

The Superintendent reported that the State Park Commission wants this department to secure a Title Guarantee for China Cove, which will cost approximately $415.00. She is of the opinion that since the title is in the State Park Commission's hands they should pay it. The Superintendent was authorized to make negotiations in this matter with Mrs. L. E. Gregory, Secretary, State Park Commission.

The Superintendent reported that the Superintendent of the Municipal Railway is opposed to the suggested change in location of the James Rolph, Jr. Playground Field House. The Recreation Commissioners are of the opinion that they should adhere to their own decision regarding the location, and believe that the objection can be overcome.

The Commissioners decided that two signs bearing the name James Rolph, Jr. Playground with the Recreation Commission's name below should be erected on the Potrero Avenue and Army Street sides of the James Rolph, Jr. Playground. Mr. Merchant is to be asked to design the signs.

In discussing the boundaries of the James Rolph, Jr. Playground, the Superintendent reported that she had been advised by Mr. John O'Toole that it would not be a good policy to require the property owners to move their fences which project over the James Rolph, Jr. Playground property line. However, the Commission believes it is a good plan to have the owners concerned sign statement acknowledging the fact that this Commission has not given them any easement. The Secretary was authorized to take up this matter with Mr. J. J. Phillips.

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The Superintendent reported that a full page of the Chronicle Roto-gravure section will be reserved for photographs of the Recreation Department's activities if satisfactory ones are obtained. It has been suggested that Mr. A. Sponagle, photographer, take the action pictures that must be approved by the editor. On motion of Mr. Berendsen which was carried, the Superintendent was authorized to have Mr. Sponagle take pictures that would not exceed a total cost of $50.00. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent recommended that Miss Catherine Felton's request that the foster-home children be allowed to swim in this department's pools free of charge be granted. She further stated that tickets can be printed and distributed beforehand to the children concerned, so that there will not be any apparent discrimination among the children attending.

The Superintendent reported that the First National Convention of the Little Theaters' Association is to be held in Pasadena, June 21-24, 1934 inclusive and recommended that Miss Hester Proctor be sent to the convention with expenses paid, not to exceed $45.00. On motion of Mr. Berendsen which was carried, the Commission decided to send Miss Hester Proctor to the Little Theaters' Association Convention in Pasadena, June 21-24, 1934 inclusive, with expenses paid, not to exceed $45.00. Ayes: Mr. Berendsen, Miss Mosgrove.

The Superintendent reported that the Co-ordinating Council, composed of eight executives from city departments, is to receive from private sources $2,400.00 to be used for demonstration purposes. An executive will be appointed to organize district committees for the Council, and to aid in the promotion of child welfare in San Francisco. Mr. Jerry Linares, because of his surveys and experience in this field, has been suggested for this position, and if he should be selected, the Superintendent recommends that he be permitted to do this work temporarily and that his present work be carried on by an assistant. Mr. Berendsen recommended that Mr. Linares be given $50.00 per month for this special work in addition to his regular salary of $175.00, and that the remaining amount in the special $2,400.00 fund, namely $150.00 per month, be used for the substitute who will be needed to relieve Mr. Linares of his present duties in the athletic department. The Commission approved this recommendation if it meets with the approval of the donor.

The Superintendent reported that the Recreation Department S.E.R.A. project had been approved, and work will start soon. Four hundred and fifty-two people have been requested.

The Superintendent recommended that the Commission purchase the photographic and sound equipment which Mr. Clifford Nelson purchased and is using for the benefit of the Recreation Department. The Commission, on motion of Mr. Berendsen, approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Mr. Clifford Nelson, Director of Hayes Valley Recreation Center, has for some time past been engaged in extensive photographic activities in the interest of the Recreation Department and the community generally, having made and shown numerous films dealing with departmental activities to many interested groups including public schools, clubs, associations, Boy Scout groups, Parent-Teacher groups, Community Chest agencies, and the like and

WHEREAS, in the furtherance of this excellent work Mr. Nelson has personally, from time to time, purchased numerous items of camera and appurtenant equipment at the following cost and expense, and used such equipment continuously for the benefit of the Department:

1 Bell and Howell Filmo 70 DA Motion Picture Camera with case and 1 inch 3.5 lens
1-1 inch "special" focusing lens
1-2 inch focusing lens
1-4 inch focusing lens
1-6 inch focusing lens
4 Wratten filters
1 Thalhammer tripod
1 Iris Vegnetter
1 Filmo enlarger
1 Title board
1 set of letters for title board
1 Kodacolor filter
1 Small glass bead screen
7 Humidor cans
1 Lens cleaning kit
1 Exposure meter
1 Zeiss still camera with filmpack adapter
1 R.C.A. sound pick up with electric turn table
1 Stromberg Carlson pick up

Total cost of above $834.15

WHEREAS, it is felt that a continuance and further development of the work Mr. Nelson is doing in this respect is very important and highly desirable for the sustained interest of young people in departmental groups and the enlightenment of the public generally in the broadening scope of recreation activities carried on and sponsored by this Department,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Commission does hereby authorize the purchase by the Department from Mr. Nelson of all the above mentioned equipment and supplies at a total cost of $834.15, and the Superintendent is authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for the acquisition of this equipment and the payment therefor from currently appropriated funds of the Department. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

Miss Mosgrove reported that the postal cards and photographs sold

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at Camp Mather should be of the highest standard, and, therefore, believes that the present practice of allowing one of the boys to sell his photographs there should be discontinued, and Mr. Clifford Nelson be granted the concession. This situation is to be investigated.

Miss Mosgrove suggested having large photographs, that can be framed at Southside Center, placed in the camp buildings at Mather.

The Superintendent reported that the State Highway Commission is working on the crossings on Sloat Boulevard. She recommends that the Commission request a crossing at Vale Avenue to facilitate access to and from the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. The Commission approved this recommendation, and asked that the Superintendent notify the State Highway Commission accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that the old wood and coal stove at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove has been removed because it was a fire hazard. It is now advisable to install gas. It is estimated that if our labor and pipe are used, the only additional expense to this department will be approximately $132.00 to pipe gas from the street to this property. Mr. Berendsen was authorized to take up this matter with the Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

The Superintendent presented to the Commission the splendid report Mr. Raymond Kimbell had made which shows the co-operation between the Board of Education and the Recreation Commission with regard to activities and use of facilities.

The Commission decided to adjourn their meeting in memory of our beloved Governor James Rolph, Jr., who has passed on.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young

Secretary.

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San Francisco, June 13, 1934.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 P.M. for the purpose of making a decision in the Homer B. Pack court case which was tried before Judge E. P. Mogan. Miss Alicia Mosgrove presided.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

The City Attorney appeared before the Recreation Commission and explained the judgment of the Superior Court in the Pack case. He stated that in his opinion it was extremely doubtful that the Supreme Court would reverse the opinion of the Judge of the Superior Court as his opinion was based entirely on fact. In view of the facts as presented by the City Attorney the Recreation Commission decided to make no appeal.

Whereupon Dr. Lee made a motion which was seconded by Mr. McLaren and carried, that the Commission abide by the order of the court and restore Mr. Pack to his position to perform the duties of his position whenever they exist. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove; Mr. Murphy; Mr. Berendsen; Dr. Lee; Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Murphy made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Berendsen and carried that it be the sense of the Commission that we have explicit confidence in the Superintendent, Miss Josephine Randall, and that the reinstatement of Mr. Pack is only by reason of the order of the court. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove; Mr. Murphy; Mr. Berendsen; Dr. Lee; Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent was asked to notify Mr. Pack of the decision, and if in her judgment, it is advisable to have him appear before the Commissioners at their next meeting, he is to be so notified.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young

Secretary

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:25 P. M. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. J.C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes, of the meetings of June 6 and 13, 1934, was waived until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

A communication was received from Mrs. Della Larsen, Secretary Corona Heights Improvement Club, thanking the Recreation Commission for recommending $25,000.00 for a playground on Corona Heights, and urging them not to change their decision. The Superintendent reported that she understood the Mayor had included Eureka Valley, and not Corona Heights in the buget. Mr. Berendsen reported that Mayor Rossi signified his willingness to go with the Commission to visit the Corona Heights and Eureka Valley District sites as soon as he is free. The Commission therefore decided to hold the matter in abeyance until such time as it will be possible to accompany the Mayor to the suggested sites.

A letter was received from Mr. Charles A. Simond, Principal Aptos Jr. High School, thanking the Commission for the use of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove on the occasion of their closing exercises. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Miss Genevieve Carroll, Principal Yerba Buena School, thanking the Commission for the use of the Funston Field House for the presentation of their school play. The letter was ordered filed.

Mr. Wm. G. Merchant presented his preliminary plans for the Glen Park Field House. The Superintendent recommended authorizing Mr. Wm. G. Merchant to negotiate for the structural and mechanical engineering, and draughting services necessary to complete working plans for the Glen Park Auditorium and Gymnasium prior to calling for bids. On motion of Mr. J.P. Murphy, seconded by Mr. J. McLaren, the Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation and Mr. Wm. G. Merchant will therefore negotiate for such services which are estimated as follows:

Structural Engineering Services..	$450.00
Mechanical Engineering Services..	300.00
Draughting Services.....	225.00
	$975.00

Ayes: Mr. J.P.Murphy; Mr. J. McLaren; Mr. J. C.Berendsen.

On motion of Mr. J.P. Murphy, seconded by Mr. John McLaren, the Recreation Commission approved the transfer of Intra-Departmental Funds as follows:

No. 367 in the sum of $325.00 from 36-1 Personal Services-Permanent to 36-1-1 Personal Services Temporary.
No. 368 in the sum of $835.00 from 36-3 Materials and Supplies to 36-4 Equipment.
Ayes: Mr. J.P.Murphy; Mr. J. McLaren; Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

The Superintendent explained that a great many necessary expenditures had been deferred this year because of the lack of funds, and that there will probably be a small surplus in our several appropriations over and above the amount necessary for operating costs during the remainder of the current fiscal year, and recommended that such surplus, if any, be utilized for the purchase of materials and supplies and contractual services as may be necessary. Upon motion of Mr. John McLaren seconded by Mr. J.P. Murphy, it was unanimously voted that the Superintendent be authorized and directed to cause the transfer of any such surplus funds in the several appropriations of the Recreation Department for the fiscal year 1933-1934 as may in her judgment be found necessary or desirable.
Ayes: Mr. J.P. Murphy; Mr. J. C.Berendsen; Mr. J. McLaren.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Mr. W. L. McElvaney presented the following review of the Recreation Commission's financial set-up for the present fiscal year. The Commission asked that the report be incorporated in the minutes:

APPROPRIATIONS			
From taxes		$501,728.00	
From Department Revenue		30,500.00	$532,228.00
Reserved for tax delinquencies, (7%)		35,120.96	
Released for Crocker Amazon	$3400		
Additional Allotment	8000	11,400.00	- 23,720.96
			$508,507.04
EXPENDED THROUGH MAY 31, 1934.			
Real Estate		$ 36,263.73	
Improvements		28,438.90	
Pay Rolls		275,669.72	
Operation		117,879.38	-458,251.73
(To be expended by June 30, 1934			$ 50,255.31

Mr. McElvaney recommended the purchase of a new adding machine which will promote greater efficiency, will furnish additional information in shorter time, and in a better form than any of our present equipment. On motion of Mr. J.P. Murphy which was seconded and carried, the Commission authorized the purchase of an Underwood Sunstrand Adding Machine No. 10240-E-7 to cost $360.29.

Ayes: Mr. J. C. Berendsen; Mr. J.P.Murphy.

On Motion of Mr. J.P.Murphy, which was seconded and carried the Commission authorized the purchase of an additional Remington Rand Cardex unit to hold pay roll records, which file and supplies will cost approximately $90.00.

Ayes: Mr. J. C. Berendsen: Mr. J.P. Murphy.

Mr. McElvaney reported the need for a new Remington Noiseless Typewriter to replace one that has been in constant use for five years and which will cost a considerable amount to repair. On motion of Mr. Murphy which was seconded and carried, the Commission authorized the purchase of a new machine, which with the trade-in allowance on the Remington Noiseless Typewriter, will cost $68.00.

Ayes: Mr. J. C. Berendsen; Mr. J.P. Murphy.

The Superintendent reported that this department's Buick Coupe which was purchased in 1931 is in a very bad condition. The Commission, on motion of Mr. Murphy which was seconded and carried decided to purchase a new Ford Coupe and to turn in the Buick and have the allowance apply on the purchase price of the new machine.

Ayes: Mr. J.P.Murphy; Mr. J.C. Berendsen.

If there are sufficient funds to meet this expense in the 1933-34 Budget, the bill will be paid from this source, otherwise it will be paid from the 1934-35 Budget.

Mr. McElvaney was asked to investigate the tax delinquency situation and report his findings to the Commission.

In discussing employees' sick leave period, the Superintendent reported that the Civil Service Commission at present allows department heads to make their own ruling regarding the period of sick leave during which time employees receive full pay, providing, of course, that said sick leave period does not exceed six months' accumulative time. The Commission decided to leave the decision regarding sick leave periods to the Superintendent's judgment, and if she should be in doubt at any time to bring the matter before the Commission for consideration.

The Superintendent reported that Dr. J. C. Geiger's ruling on Poliomyelitis has been followed, and all persons who were planning to bring children to Camp Mather have been notified to have them examined before leaving the city.

Mr. J. C. Berendsen stated he will see Mr. Harry Bostwick of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company regarding the gas service into the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove.

The Superintendent reported that the Directors of the Telegraph Hill Recreation Center had offered to turn over to the Recreation Commission the lot across the street from the North Beach Playground for the use of the North Beach Playground.

The children's Garden Club of the North Beach Playground is using the lot at present for its garden activities. The Commission approved accepting this offer.

The Superintendent reported that Miss Catherine Felton of the Associated Charities inquired if this department can use their building at 1100 Bough Street. The Superintendent is to investigate this matter, and report back to the Commission.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 20, 1934.

The Commission discussed Mr. Ed. Aigeltinger's request for a vacation, and decided to grant him the usual two weeks' period with pay.

The Superintendent reported on the Co-ordinating Council's activities as follows: $2400 has been donated to the Council for demonstration purposes and the donor is willing to turn over this amount to the Recreation Department to be used for the additional expense and cost of work it involves.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Linares has been assigned to the organization work of the Council and that Mr. James Lang and Mr. Ernest Meyer will carry on the work of the Athletic Department. The Superintendent recommended that $20.00 per month of the special fund be paid to Mr. Meyer, for the additional work required of him due to Mr.Linares's special assignment.

The Commission on motion regularly moved and carried, approved the Superintendent's recommendation.

Ayes: Mr. J.P.Murphy; Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

The Commission on motion regularly moved and carried, authorized the Superintendent to have the necessary cement work done in the Portola Field House. The material for this work will cost approximately $100.00.

Ayes: Mr. J.P. Murphy; Mr. J. C. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that the S.E. R.A. work is proceeding slowly and only people actually on relief are employed.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 4, 1934.

No meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day because of the Independence Day Holiday. The meeting was postponed until the next regular meeting, July 18, 1934.

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, July 18, 1934

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:10 P. M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. J. P. Murphy

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

M I N U T E S

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mr. Howard Braucher, Secretary of the National Recreation Association, suggesting that a typical American gift be sent to the Japan Playground Association in view of the recent goodwill gift received from them. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to reply. The Commission suggested sending a bat autographed by "Babe" Ruth and a baseball autographed by James Cronin, and having this equipment attractively decorated with the American colors.

A letter was received from Mr. Fitz-Gerald Ames, Chairman, Grattan Fathers' Council, recommending that the playground to be established in their district be located in Block 1282 bounded by Shrader, Alma, Stanyan and Grattan Streets, instead of in the property adjoining the Grattan School. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to thank Mr. Ames for his suggestion and to state that the Commission's policy is to buy land adjoining school buildings, if in their opinion it will serve the best interests of the citizens.

A letter was received from Miss Rosalee Venable, now in New York, in which she quotes a statement appearing in the report of the New York Committee on the Use of Leisure Time which commends this Commission for its activities in curbing juvenile delinquency. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to thank the Leisure Time Committee for the report.

A letter was received from Mr. Ray W. Smith of the Community Chest suggesting that this Commission carry on the boys' work formerly conducted by Chaplain Kelly in the Fillmore Street District adjoining St. Paul's Episcopal Church. The Commission decided not to take over this work because they do not believe it is a good policy at this time. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to reply.

Two letters were received, one from the Chronicle, and one from the American Legion, thanking the Recreation Department for its co-operation in the 8th Annual American Legion Boys' Baseball Tournament. The letters were ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. Frank Marisch, 901 Sansome Street, complimenting the Commission on the management of Camp Mather, and suggesting that two American Flags be placed one inside and one outside of the lodge at Camp, on July 4th each year. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply thanking him for the suggestion and stating that the Commission will be glad to comply.

A letter was received from Col. C. G. Thomson, Superintendent of the Yosemite National Park, informing the Commission that they have the authority to charge for auto camping facilities at Mather if they so desire. He expressed his admiration and gratitude for the manner in which the Commissioners have protected the Park and supported its conceptions and traditions. The communication was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply thanking Colonel Thomson for his letter of commendation and assuring him that the Commissioners have been very happy to co-operate with him in upholding the welfare and traditions of this National Park.

A letter was received from Mr. Herbert Outtill, of 147-10th Avenue, expressing his appreciation of the supervision at Funston Annex. The letter was ordered filed and the Secretary was asked to reply.

A letter was received from Mrs. C. S. Weaver thanking the Commission for furnishing excellent facilities and services at the Funston Annex, and complimenting them on the choice of the director. The letter was ordered filed. The Superintendent had replied.

A communication was received from Miss Alice Griffith, President of the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Association, indicating that the use of the Playfield and Cottage at 555 Chestnut Street has been granted to the Recreation Commission for a two-year period unless necessity demands that this privilege be rescinded before the expiration of that time. The Commission approved accepting the property under the terms specified, and asked that the association be so notified. The letter was ordered filed.

The Secretary reported that Mr. J. J. Phillips had made arrangements for the continuance of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center rental on a month-to-month basis at $120.00 per month.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

The Superintendent reported that the Board of Education is planning to erect immediately a school on their land now used by this department as the Funston Annex, and it will, therefore, be necessary to remove all of our properties located there. The Superintendent recommended setting aside an area in the Funston Playground where adult activities may be concentrated. The Commission unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation.

The Superintendent presented a plan for the additional development of that property to be known as the North Beach Annex which was transferred to this department by the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Association. The Commission unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation. They also recommended, if practical, the establishment of courts on this ground for playing the Spanish game Jai-Alai.

The Superintendent recommended moving the bungalows from the Funston Annex to St. Mary's Park Playground. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission approved calling for bids for the removal of the bungalows. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent recommended subdividing one of the rooms in the Recreation Department Office, to provide two additional offices. On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. J. P. Murphy, the recommendation was approved. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent reported the need for replacing the fence in the rear of the Mission Playground. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to call for bids for this work which will cost approximately $1,675.00. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent reported that the installation of a gas line by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company from Mawona Street into the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove will cost $185.38. She recommends the purchase of a Garland or similar type range, together with boiler and necessary equipment, to cost approximately $1,055.00 plus sales tax. On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission approved the expenditure of these approximate amounts for gas installation and equipment at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent recommended the installation of standard First-Aid Kits in the sixty-seven playground units operated by the department. The contents of these kits manufactured by the Davis Emergency Equipment Company can be replaced regularly as supplies are used. On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission recommended the purchase of sixty-seven kits at the approximate cost of $4.50 each, and asked that the kits bear the inscription "Property of the San Francisco Recreation Commission", and be screwed to the wall. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent reported that the vacant building belonging to the Associated Charities at 1100 Gough Street could be obtained for a community center at a cost to this department not to exceed $75.00 a month. The Hayes Valley Recreation Center costs approximately $6,835.00 a year to operate -- the monthly rental being $120.00. The Commission decided not to consider operating this property for the present.

The Superintendent reported that Miss Marie Fox has been on leave for three months due to illness caused through an accident occurring as a result of an injury. Miss Fox is requesting an additional month's leave of absence with pay. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission approved the extension of her leave of absence with pay until August 9, 1934. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Peck returned to duty June 18, 1934. However, since the C.W.A. work at Crocker Amazon has not commenced, and since there is no work for him to do at present, she has decided, after taking the matter up with the City Attorney and Civil Service Authorities, to lay him off until the C.W.A. work is started.

Mr. J. P. Murphy suggested that the Civil Service Commission be requested to open a promotional examination for the playground directors occupying position in the community centers since they are obliged to put in many additional hours on minor services that are not a part of a typical playground director's day. The Commission approved this suggestion and Purchaser Clerk be reclassification of positions in the Recreation Department.

Mr. [illegible] received from the Mayor that during the present emergency all public statements concerning policies of action in connection with the emergency shall be announced by the Mayor or be issued under His supervision. The Secretary was asked to file the order and to send the following resolution to Mayor Rossi:

Upon motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. J. P. Murphy, it was unanimously

RESOLVED that this Commission is in hearty accord with the policies laid down by His Honor, the Mayor, with respect to the present emergency brought about by the general strike in the Bay District; that the Recreation Department and the individual members thereof are anxious to co-operate in every way possible and volunteer their services in any manner that might, at the discretion of the Mayor, prove helpful;

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and that a copy of this resolution be spread in full upon the minutes, and a copy thereof transmitted to the Mayor.

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen which was seconded by Mr. Murphy and carried, the Commission decided to request the Controller for additional allotments to be appropriated to them for the first quarter of the new fiscal year in the approximate proportion in which past experience has shown they should be made and in the following amounts:

NO.		APPROPRIATION NUMBER	SUM
1.	Contractural Services	13.200.00	$ 3,942.84
2.	Materials and Supplies	13.300.00	9,766.95
3.	Equipment	13.400.00	3,350.00
4.	Land Purchases	13.600.01	27,500.00
5.	Fixed Charges	13.800.00	4,654.00
6.	Permanent Salaries	13.101.00	48,287.00
7.	Temporary Salaries	13.102.00	10,630.00
8.	Wages, Per Diem Men	13.103.00	2,774.00
9.	Fees and Compensations	13.106.00	1,736.00

Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

On motion of Mr. J. C. Berendsen, which was seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission approved the Request for Transfer of Intra-Departmental Funds No. 6-A in the sum of $9,008.00 from Permanent Salaries 13.101.00 to Temporary Salaries 13.102.00. Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission approved the expense incurred by Mr. J. C. Berendsen and Dr. E. A. Lee on their official visit to Camp Mather on the week-end of June 23, 1934, in the sum of $9.99, and asked that a check in that sum be paid to Mr. J. C. Berendsen. Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that the attendance at the Swimming Pools has been so small they do not warrant being kept open and, therefore, she recommends closing them. On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission approved closing the Mission and North Beach Swimming Pools immediately. Ayes: Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

August 1, 1934

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:30 P. M. with Mr. J. P. Murphy presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mr. J. P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next regular meeting of the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mrs. P. M. Shoaf, of 76 Collingwood Street, Secretary of the Eureka Valley Improvement Association, offering to submit a sketch of the location they propose for a playground in their district. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has taken this matter under consideration.

A communication was received from Mrs. H. G. Douglas, of 800 Plymouth Avenue, Secretary of the Ingleside Boosters' Club, thanking the Commission for obtaining the Ingleside County Jail for recreation purposes, and suggesting that it be named "Ingleside Recreation Center" or "Ingleside Playground". The communication was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the request will be presented to the Commission when a quorum is present.

A letter was received from Dr. J. C. Geiger suggesting that signs warning against pollution at China Cove be erected. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has prepared signs which are to be erected on the property in the near future.

A letter was received from Mr. J. J. Phillips informing the Commission that in order to close the transaction for the purchase of China Cove it will be necessary for the Recreation Commission to pay the title premium bill of $415.00. On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission approved the payment of the title premium for China Cove in favor of the Pacific Title and Trust Company in the sum of $415.00. This money will be taken from the balance remaining in the James D. Phelan Bequest Fund. Ayes: Mr. John McLaren, Mr. J. P. Murphy. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Phillips that the Commission will meet the payment.

A letter was received from Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, notifying this Commission that his department is not ready to proceed with the widening of Army Street at the James Rolph, Jr. Playground. The letter was ordered filed. The Commission asked that a letter be sent to the Municipal Railway informing them of this action, and that it will be necessary to move the field house to the basketball court according to the plan submitted, as there is no other location without eliminating some of our recreation facilities.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission approved the following "Requests for Additional Allotment":

		AMOUNT	APPROPRIATION
No. 10.	Improvements Glen Park Playground ...	$ 865.00	13.502.04
No. 11.	Improvements St. Mary's Playground ..	445.00	13.502.03
No. 12.	Wages	3,445.00	13.101.00
No. 13.	Permanent Salaries	23,800.00	13.101.00

Ayes: Mr. John McLaren, Mr. J. P. Murphy.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission decided to participate in the Annual Food Show to be held in the Civic Auditorium under the auspices of the Retail Grocers Association of San Francisco from October 6 to 13 inclusive, and to allow between $150 and $175 to meet the cost of this playground exhibit. Ayes: Mr. John McLaren, Mr. J. P. Murphy.

The Superintendent reported that the S.E.R.A. work at Crocker Amazon Reservoir Site started July 31, 1934, and that the City Attorney had advised her to reinstate Mr. Pack when this work started.

The Superintendent reported that the baseball enthusiasts of San Francisco have requested a celebration at the Crocker Amazon Reservoir Site to mark the official start of the S.E.R.A. work. The ceremonies will be held at 3:00 P. M. on Tuesday, August 7, 1934, with Mr. J. P. Murphy acting as chairman.

Two representatives of the Plumbers' Union inquired regarding the amount of plumbing work performed by the general utility man working for this department. The Commission recommended that the Superintendent confer with the head of the Plumbers' Union and explain the situation.

Mr. J. P. Murphy reported on his visit to Camp Mather and suggested the erection of a chapel suitable for holding services of all denominations. He further suggested that private subscriptions for this project would be acceptable.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

August 15, 1934.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:10 P.M. with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding.

PRESENT: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

ABSENT: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the minutes of June 6, 1934 were corrected and approved.

The reading of the minutes of the other minority meetings was waived until the next regular meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Glen Park Community Club expressing appreciation of the Recreation Commission's assistance at their picnic, July 29, 1934. The letter was ordered filed.

A note of appreciation was received from the family of the late Governor Rolph. It was ordered filed.

Mr. Merchant presented his drawings for two field houses, one at 38th Avenue and Fulton Street, and the other at Glen Park Playground. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the plans for the field house for 38th Avenue and Fulton Street were unanimously approved.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

On Motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the plans for the Glen Park Field House were unanimously approved.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove. Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

Bids for the general construction of the field house at the 38th and Fulton Playground will be opened at 2:30 P.M., Friday, August 24, 1934. The Commissioners plan to be present, and asked the Secretary to send out notices.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission approved the following "Requests for Additional Allotment":

		AMOUNT	APPROPRIATION:
No. 14	Purchase of 500 brass lawn boxes	$ 917.50	13.300.00
No. 15	Purchase of gas range and water heater for Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove.	800.00	13.400.00
No. 16	Wages during vacation period	2,600.00	13.103.00

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

Mr. Berendsen reported that Mayor Rossi has suggested the wording to appear on the James Rolph Jr. Playground signs, and asked that the Architect submit the drawing for the Mayor's approval.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Frederick Boeken, Manager of the Municipal Railways, suggested installing a convenience station for the use of the Municipal Railway employees back of the baseball backstop. The Architect suggested placing bleachers over the convenience station. The Commission approved the plan.

The Superintendent reported that the National Recreation Conference will be held in Washington, D. C., October 1-5 inclusive, and recommended that she and Miss Hester Proctor represent the department. The expense would not exceed $500.00 for two.

On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Miss Josephine D. Randall and Miss Hester Proctor were authorized to represent the San Francisco Recreation Department at the National Recreation Conference in Washington, D. C., October 1-5, inclusive, with all expenses paid, not to exceed $500.00.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Commission decided to have the President of the Recreation Commission and the Mayor invite the National Recreation Congress to San Francisco for the 1938 Exposition. The invitation is to be presented at the Washington Conference. Dr. Lee asked that the San Francisco Convention and Tourist Bureau be notified accordingly.

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

The Superintendent reported the S. E. R. A. has approved the project for engineering surveys of all playgrounds which will cost approximately $22,515.00, and they require authorization of her signature for the application.

On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Superintendent, Miss Josephine D. Randall, was authorized to sign the State Emergency Relief Administration Application No. 71-S.P. which provides for the Engineering Surveys and Maps of all Playgrounds of the Recreation Commission.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent presented a report showing our utility man's assignments for two weeks. She was asked to use her judgment in disposing of this matter which has been questioned by the Plumbers' Union.

The Superintendent reported that she temporarily laid off the department plasterer because there was no plastering work at this time. He will be rehired to do some plastering at Portola Playground. After the work is completed, it will be necessary to lay him off indefinitely.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 5, 1934.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of August 15, 1934 were, on motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

The reading of the minutes of the minority meetings was waived until a future meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

An opinion was received from the City Attorney that the Recreation Commission has the right to place a reasonable amount of insurance upon any building over which it has jurisdiction. The Commission decided that Mr. J. J. Phillips be asked to make an appraisal of the playground and camp buildings, as the preliminary step in determining further action. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. Frances Faucompre of 264 Granville Way asking the Commission to establish a memorial to the late Governor James Rolph Jr. on city property above Glen Park Playground. The letter was ordered filed and the Secretary was asked to reply stating the Commission is interested, and is securing details. The Superintendent was asked to investigate the matter.

Three letters were received commending the Commission on the personnel and facilities at Camp Mather. They were from Dr. J. R. Zion, Mrs. C. J. Binninger, and Mr. Owen C. Carr. The letters were ordered filed, having been previously acknowledged.

A letter was received from Miss Lucy Hall of the Temple Methodist Church thanking the Commission for the use of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove for their recent picnic. The letter was ordered filed.

The Superintendent advised the Commission that the contract with Mr. William G. Merchant, Consulting Architect, expires on September 6, 1934. Miss Randall reviewed the progress that had been made under the existing arrangement stating that the service rendered had been highly satisfactory, and recommended that the contract be renewed for the ensuing twelve months.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen seconded by Mr. Murphy, it was unanimously voted that the Superintendent's recommendation be approved, and that she be authorized to negotiate a renewal of the contract with Mr. Merchant for the ensuing twelve months upon the same terms and conditions, namely, compensation not to exceed $4800.00 per annum.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

In order to comply with the request of the Project Engineer for the C. F. Division of the S. E. R. A. the following motion was passed: On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Superintendent, Miss Josephine D. Randall, was authorized to sign all project applications made to the State Emergency Administration by the Recreation Commission.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren.

The Commission, on motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, approved Work Order No. 403 which provides for the rewinding and renewal of parts on the pump motor at Aptos Playground for $116.87.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission approved the purchase of a new typewriter.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

Bids were received from the following firms for the erection of fencing at Funston Playground:

	Bid	Certified Check
Anchor Post Fence Co.	$800.75	$85.00
Kamlan Fence Co.	800.75	81.00
Michel & Pfeffer Iron Works, Inc.	800.75	81.00
Rolph, Mills & Co.	800.75	81.00
Standard Fence Co.	800.75	81.00
Wickwire Spencer Steel Co.	800.75	81.00

(Uniformity of bids, due to Government Code)

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the contract for the fence to be erected on Funston Playground was awarded to Rolph, Mills & Company in the sum of $800.75.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Berendsen reported the advisability, from a safety standpoint, of having an underpass on Geary Street to connect with the Angelo J. Rossi

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Playground. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. McLaren the Commission approved the recommendation and asked that the Superintendent send a communication to the Department of Public Works urging the construction of the underpass.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Clyde Healy, who is supervising some of the S. E. R. A. activities, is ready to furnish free loam to our playgrounds and sites from our Crocker Amazon Site. Miss Randall further reported that she will have to confer with the Controller and the Purchaser of Supplies and work out details whereby this will be possible in view of two conditions, one a purchase order for loam which was issued in June, and the other because of budget allocations.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to accept the loam from Mr. Clyde Healy, and to confer with the Controller regarding the details.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent was authorized to see the Controller and inquire if the Recreation Commission can make general instead of specific committments for the expenditure of its estimated balances at the end of each fiscal year. This procedure is not only to safeguard against unencumbered funds reverting to the General Fund, but in providing sufficient latitude to insure the expenditure of funds to the best advantage.

In keeping with the City Attorney's opinion of April 12, 1932, the Superintendent was authorized on motion of Mr. Berendsen seconded by Mr. Murphy to open an account in a local bank as trustee for the fund donated for the Co-ordinating Council's work.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent reported that the property owner adjoining the James Rolph Jr. Playground would like to effect a transfer of some of her property to this department providing an equal amount of playground property be transferred to the Street Department of the City in order that she may have street frontage. The Superintendent was asked to receive further particulars.

The Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation that an additional entrance be placed in the Funston Field House to facilitate access to the game room.

The Superintendent reported the need of replacing one of the department trucks. Mr. McElvaney was asked to secure detailed information and report back at the next meeting.

The Superintendent reported Mr. Center has recommended improvements to be made now at Camp Mather in the estimated sum of $3500.00. This expense can be taken from this season's profit. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission approved Mr. Center's recommendation which will cost approximately $3500.00.

The Commission asked that Mr. Center render three estimates:

1. For satisfactory first aid headquarters for the camp doctor;
2. Resurfacing the camp fire area to avoid present dusty condition;
3. Provision for suitable pulpit and benches to be used for outdoor services.

It was suggested that Mr. Merchant draw up the necessary designs.

The Superintendent reported an opinion was received from the City Attorney indicating that the travelling expenses to the Washington Conference must be authorized by ordinance and approved by the Board of Supervisors. This matter will be before the Finance Committee of the Supervisors on Friday at 2:30 P.M. Mr. Murphy will attend the meeting.

The Superintendent reported she was advised by the Civil Service Commission to forward a letter to them embodying the necessary details appertaining to the reclassification of Community Center Directors. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Superintendent was authorized to write to the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

The Superintendent reported she had been advised by the San Francisco Convention and Tourist Bureau of the customary procedure in extending invitations for conventions to be held here. She was authorized on motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, to write a letter from the Commission at this time.

The Superintendent was authorized to place a watchman at the County Jail properties when necessary.

The Superintendent reported the championship game of the Call-Bulletin Recreation Department Twilight Soft Ball League will be held at Margaret S. Hayward Playground at 8:00 P.M. Friday, September 7, 1934, and that the Mayor was invited to throw the first ball.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Viola D. Young
Secretary.

Playground Commission

San Francisco, September 19, 1934.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. J. P. Murphy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 5, 1934 were corrected, and on motion duly made and seconded, approved.

The reading of the minutes of the minority meetings was waived until a future meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Thomas S. Hutton and Son, 441 Rialto Building, inquiring about leasing the Angelo J. Rossi Playground for a golf driving range. Mr. Hutton addressed the Commission regarding his offer. The letter was ordered filed, and Mr. Hutton will be advised of the Commission's decision later. The Superintendent was asked to find out from the Controller if the $6000.00 set aside for loam can be used on this playground, and if so to proceed with this development.

A letter was received from Rolph Mills and Company regarding the unfounded protest made against their company concerning the fencing contract for Funston Playground. The letter was ordered filed. The Superintendent reported that Mr. F. L. Fenton, Attorney for the Controller, is investigating this matter.

A letter was received from the City Hardwood Floor Company offering a used sanding machine for sale at $125.00. On motion of Mr. Murphy seconded by Dr. Lee, the Superintendent was asked to investigate the sanding machine, and if it is as represented, that she be empowered to purchase it.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

A letter was received from Mr. Wm. C. Haack, President of the Golden Gate Valley Baseball League offering the Championship Trophy won by the Blum Sweets last year to the Recreation Commission to be placed in the show case in room 370 City Hall. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission unanimously decided to accept the trophy with appreciation, and to place it in the show case. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply stating the Commission accepts the trophy with appreciation.

A communication was received from Mr. Wm. H. Worden, Director Department of Public Works, stating the Commission's letter requesting an underpass at the Angelo J. Rossi Playground has been forwarded to the City Engineer for report and recommendation. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. J. A. Addleman offering assistance in procuring recreation department funds. The letter was ordered filed, and his offer will be accepted when next year's budget is being considered.

A letter was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk Board of Supervisors, stating the Supervisors passed a motion asking that an invitation be extended to the National Recreation Association to hold its next meeting in San Francisco. The letter was ordered filed, the invitation having been extended for 1938.

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission approved the following fourteen allotment requests for the second quarter, and one transfer of funds, first quarter:

#17	$ 29.90	Advertising for bids - 38th & Fulton	
#18	1,100.00	Oil & Gas - City Cars - Fiscal Year	
#19	5,790.00	Temporary Salaries	
		Camp (October)	$ 400.00
		Swimming Pools (Oct.-Nov.)	1,010.00
		Office	1,800.00
		Caretakers - Gardeners	2,580.00
			5,790.00
#20	2,640.00	Wages - Per diem men	
#21	1,133.00	Compensation, Pianists and Referees	
#22	10,766.00	Contractual Services	
#23	800.00	Fence Contract - Funston	
#24	600.00	Truck Hire	
#26	765.00	Auto Hire	
#27	8,397.00	Materials & Supplies	
#28	1,045.00	Equipment	
#29	5,640.00	Fixed Charges	
#30	400.00	Foundation and Repairs - St. Mary's	
#31	1,375.00	Substitute and Sunday Directors - September	
	$40,480.90		

Fund Transfers:

#25	$ 100.00	From 13.203.01 to 13.203.02 To supplement Auto Hire - First Quarter

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Lee.

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The Superintendent reported Funston Playground is now being operated on a Community Center basis, and it will not be advisable to allow the badminton group to continue using the field house as heretofore. The Commission suggests allowing them the use of the building one night a week from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. The Superintendent was asked to follow up this suggestion.

Mr. Merchant presented his plan for the development of the County Jail properties. The Commission approved the plan.

Mr. Merchant presented a plan for a pulpit and benches for Camp Mather. The Commission suggested revising the plan to make out-of-door dramatic performances possible in addition to religious services. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission approved the expense for the materials and labor which will cost approximately $500.00.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that S. E. R. A. laborers are improving North Beach Annex which will be used for gardening classes from North Beach Playground in addition to other activities.

The Superintendent reported she is still investigating the possibility of using city property to the rear of Glen Park Playground for picnic and trail development.

The Superintendent reported before action can be taken regarding the transfer of property at the James Rolph Jr. Playground, this department must receive an official statement showing the exact area available.

The Commission, on motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, approved the purchase of a Garland stove for the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove in the sum of $418.50.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee. Not Voting: Mr. Murphy.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission unanimously approved the refinishing and refurnishing of the Superintendent's office, and the furnishing of two smaller offices in the department.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission approved the purchase of a moving picture projector to cost $160.00, enlarger $48.00 sound equipment $65.00.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Lee.

The Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendations for the growth of the Recreation Department, to be submitted to the Grand Jury.

The Superintendent reported the baseball players are requesting that facilities for taking hot showers be provided at the Southside Center. She was asked to present an estimate at a future meeting.

The Superintendent reported that the bid for piano tuning and maintenance has been awarded to a new party unknown to the department. Last year's contractor was very satisfactory, and his bid was only slightly higher. The Commission, on motion of Dr. Lee seconded by Mr. Berendsen, unanimously decided to protest, and asked that the party who is doing the work at present be permitted to continue. The Business Manager was asked to send a letter to the Purchaser of Supplies regarding the matter.

The Superintendent showed the Commission the splendid publicity which the Down Town Association gave this department in its September 15 bulletin.

The Superintendent reported the attendance in the Music Department's classes has doubled during the last two years.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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San Francisco, October 3, 1934.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:15 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of June 13, and September 19, 1934, were on motions regularly moved and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Controller indicating that his attorney will be asked to render an opinion regarding the purchase order for loam placed by this department with Devencenzi Bros. in June 1934. The City Attorney informed the Commission the matter has been referred to him for investigation. The Business Manager was asked to take up the matter with the City Attorney. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from the Controller regarding the fence contract awarded Rolph Mills and Company, September 5, 1934. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commissioners rescinded their action of September 5, thereby cancelling the award of contract to Rolph Mills and Company for the fencing at Funston Playground, and threw out all bids submitted, in view of the fact that this department was informed by the Controller that a 15% reduction is now in effect which the Commissioners want to avail themselves.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.
The Secretary was asked to inform Rolph Mills and Company of the Commission's rescission of award.

The Commission decided to call for new bids, and asked Mr. Merchant to modify the plans.

A communication was received from Mr. Howard Braucher, Secretary National Recreation Association, informing the Commission that its invitation for the 1938 conference to be held in San Francisco will be presented to his Board of Directors. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. Wm. H. Worden, enclosing a report from the City Engineer, suggesting that this department take up its request for a pedestrian subway at Geary Street and Arguello Boulevard with the Board of Education since a similar request was received from the Principal of the Roosevelt Junior High School in February 1934. Dr. Lee stated he will look into the matter.

Mr. Berendsen reported Dr. J. C. Geiger requested that a representative from the Hooper Foundation be sent to Camp Mather to carry on an investigation governing a condition that may exist in or near the camp. On motion of Dr. Lee,, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission passed the following resolution:
Resolved that the Recreation Commission comply with the Health Department's request, and immediately send a representative, selected by that department, from the Hooper Foundation to Camp Mather to carry on the necessary investigations as recommended by Dr. J. C. Geiger, and that this Commission bear all the expense of transportation, board and lodging incident thereto, and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Dr. Geiger.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.
The Assistant Superintendent is to be asked to accompany the representative and to render a report to the Commission.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, the following requests for additional allotment were unanimously approved:

No. 32	$1360.00	Welder
33	80.00	Auto Hire
34	275.00	Camera Equipment

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission decided to purchase a Dodge Truck not to exceed $1000.00.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

Mr. Merchant presented a drawing of the sign he designed for the James Rolph Junior Playground. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission authorized Mr. Merchant to have the sigh made at an estimated cost of $125.00. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Business Manager reported that money left over in the various monthly allotments are being placed in the cash reserve and are therefore lost to this department. The Commission decided to take up this matter with Mr. Leavy when the Superintendent returns.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

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San Francisco, October 17, 1934.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. John P. Murphy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 3, 1934, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Controller's Office indicating the loam contract with Devencenzi Brothers is valid. The letter was ordered filed. The Superintendent reported she is investigating the situation and plans to take up the matter again with the Controller, and the City Attorney.

New bids for the erection of fencing at Funston Playground were received as follows:

	Bid	Certified Check
ANCHOR POST FENCE COMPANY	$733.70	$75.00
KAMLAN FENCE COMPANY	733.70	75.00
MICHEL AND PFEFFER IRON WORKS	733.70	75.00
ROLPH MILLS AND COMPANY	733.70	75.00
STANDARD FENCE COMPANY	733.70	74.00
WESTERN STEEL AND WIRE COMPANY	733.70	75.00
WICKWIRE SPENCER STEEL COMPANY	741.87 (10' Gate)	75.00

The Superintendent asked that all bidders submit fence samples to the Business Manager, after which time the award will be made.

Bids were received, as follows, for the erection of two standard playground signs, one at James Rolph Junior Playground, and one at Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove:

	Bid	Certified Check
S. BERGER	$212.00	$21.20
CALIFORNIA WOOD CARVING COMPANY	286.50	28.65
PAUL FISCHER	268.00	30.00

On motion regularly moved and carried, the award was made to the low bidder, S. Berger, in the sum of $212.00.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

The Commission decided that all playground signs bear the name "San Francisco Recreation Commission".

On motion regularly moved and carried the Commission approved making land payments, together with service costs and fees, as follows:

Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, Final Payment .... (Plus 4% Interest)	$13,334.00
Real Estate Department Service Cost	50.00
Title Fee	83.00
	$13,467.00
Angelo J. Rossi Playground, Second Payment ..... (Plus 5% Interest)	$23,447.00
Real Estate Department Service Cost	50.00
Title Fee	126.00
	$23,623.00

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that in complying with the request of Dr. J. C. Geiger, Mr. C. M. Wheeler of the Hooper Foundation accompanied the Assistant Superintendent to Camp Mather, and confined his investigation to the Oakland Boys' Scout Camp. The Superintendent was asked to write to Dr. Geiger informing him of the situation.

The Superintendent gave a report of the National Recreation Congress held in Washington, D. C., October 5-12 inclusive.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, which was approved and carried, the Commission went on record as being in accord with the Superintendent's suggestions:

1. That this department make progress in the establishment of nature trails.
2. That the department encourage the arts and crafts in the playgrounds and recreation centers.

The Superintendent suggested, provided the National Recreation Conference meets in San Francisco for the World's Fair in 1938, that this department should have an outstanding exhibit. The Commission approved the suggestion.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission decided to appropriate the necessary sum, approximately $30.00, whereby Mr. Leland H. Brown, of the Department of Research, Stanford University, may examine the San Francisco playground lighting system.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

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The Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation that the eleven legal holidays authorized by the Mayor be granted full-time employees paid on a monthly basis who are classified as caretakers, laborers, gardeners, and truck drivers. If it is not possible to grant the specific day on which the holiday falls because of activities or attendance, then an equivalent in time is to be allowed. It is also understood that if the playgrounds need cleaning on holidays, the caretakers are expected to perform the necessary work before reporting off duty.

The Superintendent was asked to see the Civil Service Commission regarding some recognition for the playground directors who devote time, in addition to regular working hours, on evenings and Sundays, in presenting authorized department programs.

The Commission gave its consent to the Superintendent to serve on the California Planning Board.

The Superintendent was authorized to have the Camp Manager attend, if possible, a meeting in Los Angeles County regarding the wider use of municipal camps.

The Superintendent reported that several unsightly wooden structures have been erected by the public on China Cove. The Commission asked that these be removed, and that the Police Commission be notified of this condition.

The Commission asked that the City Attorney be requested to render an opinion regarding this Commission's allotment of funds.

The Secretary reported that over 5,000 people attended the Recreation Commission's Exhibit at the Food Show.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 5:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 7, 1934.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding:

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of October 17, 1934 were corrected and on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Dr. J. C. Geiger indicating the necessity of the recent examination of all the environments of Camp Mather in order to have complete findings regarding relapsing fever. The letter was ordered filed.

A resolution was received from the Grattan Parent-Teachers' Association requesting the Commission to make adequate provision for the Grattan School District in the 1935-36 Budget. The resolution was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to acknowledge it.

A letter was received from Mr. Edward Boero, President Associated Student Body of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, stating they enjoyed Mr. Clifford Nelson's recent talk and High Sierra pictures. The letter was ordered filed.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, the following Requests for Additional Allotment, and Transfer of Intra-Departmental Funds were approved:

		Amount	Appropriation
35	Land Purchase Contracts	$41,932.00	13.600.01
37	Automobile Hire	108.00	13.203.02
38	Purchase, Dodge Truck	950.00	13.400.00

36 Intra-Departmental Transfer of Funds, $3,000.00
from 13.600.01 to 13.200.00

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent read Miss Hester Proctor's letter expressing her appreciation for having been sent to the National Recreation Conference in Washington, D. C. The letter was ordered filed.

Mr. Merchant presented revised plans for the Crocker-Amazon Tract. The Commission approved the plans.

Mr. Merchant also presented tentative plans for the outdoor chapel for Camp Mather.

The Superintendent reported that Devincenzi Brothers are obtaining loam from Crocker-Amazon, and are furnishing in exchange an additional 600 yards of loam on their contract at no extra expense to the Recreation Department. Four thousand yards will be delivered to the Angelo J. Rossi Playground, and 600 yards to the Margaret S. Hayward Playground.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to purchase galvanized water pipe for the Angelo J. Rossi Playground at the approximate cost of $119.00.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

Mr. Harman presented the analysis of tests made on the fence material samples submitted for the Funston Playground fence. The Commission complimented the Superintendent, for the manner in which she handled the fence contract situation, and Mr. Harman for the excellent way he presented the report.

The Commission on motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy awarded the contract to Standard Fence Company in the sum of $733.70.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

Mr. John Kelly of the Plumbers and Gas Fitters' Union No. 442, Mr. J. H. Smith of the Plasterers' Union Local 66, and Mr. Thomas C. Meagher, President Painters' Local 19, came before the Commission to inquire regarding the work assigned to the Recreation Department's utility man, claiming he is doing mechanical work although his Civil Service classification is that of laborer. The Commission explained the nature of his work, and stated they plan to continue to have major plumbing work performed by the Department of Public Works.

The Superintendent recommended the purchase of a new automatic heater for Southside Center, provided the Controller will honor the necessary transfer of funds. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, the Commission approved the purchase of an automatic heater for Southside Center to cost $195.89.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

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The Superintendent reported that Mr. George M. Greene, who has been living in one of the buildings situated in the Sigmund Stern Grove, died recently, and it has been suggested that his friend Charlie be permitted to remain in the building. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission decided to allow him to remain there until further notice.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida D Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 21, 1934.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of November 7, 1934 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATION

A letter was received from Mrs. Laura E. Gregory, Secretary, State Park Commission, asking that an agreement be prepared for the administration, by the Recreation Commission, of the James D. Phelan State Beach. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to request Mr. J. J. Phillips to have the necessary agreement prepared for the Commission's approval.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the request for transfer of intra-departmental funds No. 40, temporary caretakers permanently assigned $5075.00 from Appropriation No. 13.102.00 to 13.101.00 was approved.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent asked that she be granted her regular two weeks' vacation for the year 1934, from December 2 - 15 inclusive. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, Miss Randall was granted her two weeks' vacation from December 2 - 15 , 1934, inclusive.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that the recent surveys conducted by the Executive Coordinating Council in the Mission, and Central Districts have emphasized the need for lighted play areas at night, as a means of reducing juvenile delinquency. She asked the Commission for its recommendation in appealing for funds to light the Mission, and Chinese Playgrounds. Mr. Berendsen moved that it be the sense of the Recreation Commission to petition the Honorable Board of Supervisors to give this department sufficient funds, the amount to be determined by the lighting engineer, to light the Mission, and Chinese Playgrounds. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lee, and unanimously carried.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that the position of Chief Clerk, in which classification Mr. McElvaney has been serving, has not been established, and she recommends that the Civil Service Commission be requested to establish it at this time. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the establishment of Mr. McElvaney's position as Chief Clerk for the Recreation Department at his present salary of $200.00 per month. (See Minutes of Dec 5 1934)
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that this department will present, in cooperation with the Art Commission and the City, the Christmas celebration in the Civic Auditorium, December 21, 1934 at 8:00 P.M. Five hundred ($500.00) dollars has been received from the Art Commission to help defray expenses, and this department hopes to receive $450.00 from the Chief Administrator to also apply on the expense of the entertainment.

The Superintendent reported that she expects to receive a written opinion from the City Attorney indicating whether or not this department is entitled to receive unexpended balances from its fund allotments that have been placed in the Controller's general reserve accounts. If the funds are not credited to this department, the Superintendent suggests that the Park Commission and Library Board, which departments receive a definite percentage of the tax funds, be reached to get concerted action in this situation.

The Superintendent reported that this department will hold a Recreation Training School for substitute and new playground directors during January, 1935.

Dr. Lee informally asked the Commission if it would be willing to transfer a portion of the Father Crowley Playground adjoining the former Ethan Allen School site at 7th & Bryant Streets to the Board of Education if his board determined that that site is the best location in San Francisco for the Sunshine Shool. The Commission indicated its willingness to favorably entertain the idea. It was suggested that the Park Commission may be willing to transfer Columbia Square located across from the Father Crowley Playground to the Recreation Commission and to establish a children's playground thereon, to compensate for the loss of play area on the Father Crowley Playground. Mr. McLaren stated he would take up this suggestion with his Commission.

Miss Randall presented a schedule showing the comparison of hours worked by employees in the Recreation Department. She reported that on the present schedule full-time playground directors' routine hours fall below the required average of 38 hours per week. They now average 33.70
Office employees' hours average . 38.95
Caretakers' hours average 40.57

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It was recommended that adjustments for Directors, be made as follows:

Week days ..... 12:00 - 5:00; 5:30; 6:00
Saturdays and Holidays .. 9:00 - 12:00. 1:00-5:00; 5:30) 6:00)

Time Off:
Holidays -
3 hours, Good Friday
3 hours, Thanksgiving
6 hours, Christmas
12 hours off.

Vacation -
2 weeks

When the Superintendent requires a director to put on a program with his or her children, off the playground, for such special entertainment as the Food Show, Radio and Laguna Honda Home programs, the Christmas program in Civic Auditorium, and the like, extra time actually off the playground is to be granted the director.

Special programs on the playground, or presented as part of the playground activities, staff meetings, preparatory work, training classes, and work in districts, are considered part of the duties of the position, and the director will be rated for promotion according to his or her activities and general interest.

Community Center Directors' salary schedule increased due to necessity for night as well as day time activities.

The Commission unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendations.

Mr. Merchant presented a further revised plan for the development of the Crocker Amazon site. The new plan was approved by the Commission.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, November 23, 1934.

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held at 2 o'clock with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to decide if permission is to be granted the State Emergency Relief Administration to build a Social Service District House on a portion of the former County Jail Site.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John A. Murphy

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mrs. Sigmund Stern

Mr. J. J. Phillips presented plans for the proposed $30,000.00 building, and spoke of the government's plan to erect buildings of this type on city-owned property exclusively.

Mr. Murphy moved that the Recreation Commission grant the request of the State Emergency Relief Administration to build a Social Service District House on the County Jail Site, and that when that organization is through with the building, that it revert to the Recreation Commission at no cost to them. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lee, and unanimously approved.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The following is the description of the property to be set aside for the State Emergency Relief Administration:

> Beginning at the intersection of the most Northerly line of Ocean Avenue with the most Westerly line of the Southern Pacific right-of-way, thence along this Northerly line of Ocean Avenue in a Westerly direction to a point distant 188'0" from the point of intersection of Ocean Avenue and the Southern Pacific right-of-way, thence in a Northerly direction along a line perpendicular to this Northerly line of Ocean Avenue to a point distant 75' from the Northerly line of Ocean Avenue, this line forming the most Western boundary of the property, thence along a line in a Northeasterly direction (said line forming an angle of 135° with the most Westerly boundary line of the property). This line shall intersect the most Northerly boundary line of the property which shall be parallel to, and 178' distant from the most Northerly line of Ocean Avenue. Thence along this most Northerly line to a point of intersection, with the most Westerly boundary of the Southern Pacific right-of-way. Thence in a Southerly direction along this Westerly boundary to the point of beginning.

The Commission suggested that the S.E.R.A. authorities be notified that it will be to their advantage, in order to prevent any interference by children or adults using the balance of the County Jail Site, to erect a fence around their building.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 2:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco;

San Francisco; December 5, 1934.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held at 2:15 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of November 21, 1934 were on motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved with the following change in recommendation: that the Recreation Commission approved the establishment of Mr. McElvaney's position as Chief Clerk for the Recreation Department at a salary of $275.00 per month.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The minutes of the meetings of November 23, 1934 were on motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved as read.

The minutes of the meetings of June 20, July 18, and August 1, 1934, were, on motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Community Chest asking the Commission to name its delegates to the Recreation Council for 1935. The Commission named the following delegates: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Miss Randall. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. Murphy, Request No. 41 for Transfer of Intra-Departmental Funds, $778.42 from 13.600.01 to 13.200.00 was approved. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

Theatrical lighting companies were asked to submit bids for the Electrical Work incident to the Christmas Pageant. Only one bid was submitted:

C. J. Holzmueller $48.00

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the electrical work for the Christmas Pageant was unanimously awarded to C. J. Holzmueller in the sum of $48.00. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

Bids were received for Supplying and Erecting Window Guards at St. Mary's Playground, as follows:

Standard Fence Company	$ 86.94
Michel and Pfeffer Iron Works Inc.	95.00
Eureka Iron and Wire Works	96.00
West Coast Wire and Iron Works . .	100.00

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Standard Fence Company, the lowest bidder, was unanimously awarded the contract for supplying and erecting window guards at St. Mary's Playground in the sum of $86.94.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

The following bids were received for the Installation of a Water Heater at Southside Center:

Ruud Heater Company	$191.60
Higgins and Kraus	219.00
Hoyt Heater Company	223.00
J. Camp and Company	240.00

Mr. Berendsen moved that the Ruud Heater Company, the lowest bidder, be awarded the contract for the water heater installation at Southside Center in the sum of $191.60. The motion was seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried: Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen.

The following bids were received for the Alteration and Installation of Curtains for the Christmas Pageant:

California Decorating Company . .	$ 97.00
J. L. Stuart Mfg. Company	128.61

On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the work was unanimously awarded to the California Decorating Company, the lower bidder, in the sum of $97.00. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy.

The Superintendent reported that $533.00 will be received from the Chief Administrator to help defray expenses for the Christmas Pageant.

The Superintendent reported that word has been received that the rubble wall at Douglass Playground is bulging, and that as a safety measure the playground should be closed. This report was confirmed by the consulting architect. Therefore the playground has been closed temporarily. An official report is to be received from the S. E. R. A. in the near future.

The Superintendent reported that $200.00 was received from the Olympic Club for the use of the Father Crowley Playground for football practice.

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The Superintendent recommended that if the necessary money is available from the Recreation Department's funds for the drafting work required to make the drawings for the alteration of the County Jail buildings, and for the erection of buildings on Angelo J. Rossi Playground, China Cove, Gilmam Tract, Ocean View Playground, and 24th and Douglass Site, that plans be prepared immediately. Plans will then be ready for the Recreation Department to take advantage of Federal Aid if it is available. The Commission unanimously approved the general idea of the recommendation.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda B. Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, December 19, 1934

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held at 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen

Absent: Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Mr. John P. Murphy
Mr. John McLaren

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of December 5, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two communications were received, one from the Sunset Transportation and Development Company, and the other from Mrs. Thos. R. Best, urging the Commission to protest the establishment of a dance hall at 2898 Sloat Boulevard opposite the Fleishhacker Playfield. The letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that although the Commission is interested in this situation, it is not within the Recreation Commission's province to take action in matters of this kind.

Mr. Merchant presented a comprehensive Procedure and Cost Chart showing work to be done for the Recreation Department's projects. The Commissioners expressed approval of the plan.

Mr. Merchant presented the final lay-out for the development of bleachers and diamonds at Crocker Amazon. The Commission approved the plan.

Mr. John O'Toole, the City Attorney, appeared before the Commission regarding this department's recent communication concerning appropriations. He assured the Commission he will confer with the Controller and will then send a written reply to our letter. He indicated that in his opinion the Commission is entitled during each fiscal year to unexpended balances in its various appropriations, and these should not revert to the general reserve account of the city. In other words the Recreation Commission is entitled to its full appropriation of seven cents.

The Superintendent recommended that if the School Department grants permission, this department supervise activities at the Burnett School, at Lane and Newcomb Streets, commencing the first of next year. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission approved the recommendation.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. F. Boeken, Manager Municipal Railways, asked that $200.00 be granted the Municipal Railways for a convenience station at the other end of the "H" car line, since the station in the James Rolph Playground will be of no service to the Municipal Railways after the field house is moved. In view of the Municipal Railways' contribution of $1,000.00 at the time the field house was constructed, the Commission, on motion of Mr. Berendsen seconded by Miss Mosgrove, approved the expenditure.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mrs. Stern.

Invitations to submit bids for the washing and cleaning of the auditorium walls and ceiling of Funston Field House were sent to several firms. Only one bid was received. It was from the California Building Maintenance Company in the sum of $98.00. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the bid for cleaning Funston Field House was awarded to the California Building Maintenance Company in the sum of $98.00
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mrs. Stern.

A delegation, with Mr. J. Mahoney of 519 Valley Street as Chairman, representing the Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association, requested the Commission to include an amount in the 1935 Budget to provide for the establishment of a playground in their district. The following sites, which are south of Castro Street, were suggested:

1. Block bounded by Day, Castro, Noe, 29th Streets,
2. Block bounded by 27th, Duncan, Church, Dolores, and Southern Pacific Railroad,
3. Property at 30th, Sanchez, and Church Streets,
4. Corner property at Valley and Castro Streets.

The delegation requested the Recreation Commission to select a suitable site. The Commissioners promised to look over the sites, and to make a recommendation for the 1935 Budget.

A delegation from the Ashbury Terrace Improvement Club, with Mrs. Alice L. Cummings as Chairman, requested the Commission to include an amount in the 1935 Budget to make an initial payment for the purchase of property on Corona Heights. The Commission promised the delegation that they would include an amount for this project in the 1935 Budget.

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There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida B Young
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 2, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John P. Murphy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 19, 1934 were on motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mrs. Eric W. Hammond, President San Francisco-Second District California Congress of Parents and Teachers requesting the lighting of Ocean View Playground for evening activities. The letter was ordered filed since the Superintendent had replied that it is not advisable to light the ground because of the thick fogs. She further stated that the Commission has plans, when funds are available, for an adequate clubhouse to be used as a night recreation center. The Commission approved the Superintendent's reply.

Mr. Murphy presented a petition which was received from the Mayor's Office requesting that "Spike" Hennessey, a former baseball scout, be considered for part-time work in the Recreation Department. On motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously decided to try every legitimate means to find a place for him, through the S.E.R.A. The Superintendent was asked to investigate the possibilities.

Mr. Merchant presented plans for the hospital at Camp Mather to cost approximately $2,000.00. On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously requested the architect to revise the plans and thus provide a larger space to accommodate two single beds, and accompanying equipment.

Mr. Merchant presented his Procedure and Cost Chart, and stated that approximately $16,000.00 of preliminary engineering work is involved in the various sites included. The Superintendent is endeavoring to have some of this work approved as an S.E.R.A. project.

The Commission requested that 9th Avenue and Ortega, Burnett Schoolyard, and the other sites to be included in the budget, be incorporated in the chart.

Mr. Murphy suggested that the fence on the Hampshire Street boundary of the James Rolph Jr. Playground, between Army and 26th Streets, be moved three feet beyond the sidewalk to provide approximately fifteen feet additional play area. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission unanimously decided to send a formal request to the Street Department to inquire if this property can be secured for the Recreation Department.

The Commission, on motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, unanimously decided to name China Beach after James D. Phelan, and requested the Superintendent to find the most suitable name for the beach. The Commission asked that Mr. Noel Sullivan be informed of their decision to name the beach in honor of James D. Phelan.

On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously decided to include the salary increases in the 1935-1936 Budget which were recommended last year, but were not included.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Commission decided on motion of Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, to incorporate in the 1935-1936 Budget the land recommendations included in the 1934-1935 Budget, and the additional recommendations made in 1934.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. Murphy, Dr. Lee.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, January 16, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission washeld at 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

Commissioner John P. Murphy called in at the meeting, and informed the members of his appointment by His Honor, Mayor Rossi, to the Public Utilities Commission, and his resignation from the Recreation Commission. The Commissioners expressed regret in loosing him from their board, but congratulated him on his new appointment.

The Secretary verified Mr. J. C. Berendsen's reappointment to the Recreation Commission commencing January 15, 1935, for a four year term.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 2, 1935 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The next order of business was the election of President and Vice-President, respectively, of the Recreation Commission for 1935. Mr. John McLaren presided for the election of officers.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mrs. Stern was unanimously re-elected President.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mrs. Stern, Mr. Leahy was unanimously re-elected Vice President.

COMMUNICATIONS

Two letters were received from the Longfellow School District, one from Mrs. R. Ahlgrim, Recording Secretary Longfellow Parent Teacher Association, and the other from Mr. M. K. Kallo, Secretary Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Club, requesting the Commission to include an amount in the budget for a playground in the Longfellow-Mt. Vernon District. The letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Recreation Commission has included $20,000.00 in the budget as an initial purchase for a playground in their district.

A letter was received from Miss Cecilia J. Milly, Secretary Bay View Civic Club asking the Commission to include $15,000.00 in the budget for the purchase of land in the same block as the Burnett School. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to inform them that this amount has been included in the budget.

A communication was received from Mr. J. A. Ormond, Secretary Board of Education, informing the Commission they have been granted permission to supervise the Burnett Schoolyard at Lane and Newcomb Streets. The letter was ordered filed.

Resolution No. 694 was received from Mr. Welton Taylor, Secretary Public Utilities Commission, renewing the arrangements governing the Recreation Commission's use of the Mather Auto Camp for the year 1935.

The resolution was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to thank the Public Utilities Commission for the renewal.

The Superintendent was requested by Mr. Ray Smith, Executive Secretary Community Chest, to prepare an ideal plan for recreation in San Francisco which can be put into effect if Federal Aid is made available. She presented a plan calling for 57 Recreation Centers, 27 small Children's Playfields, 20 Batteries of 5 Tennis Courts each, 10 Lighted Recreation Fields, 1 Week-end Camp, 15 Swimming Pools, a Little Theatre, Facilities for Winter Sports at Camp Mather, Trails for hiking groups, and a Maintenance Yard and Shop. The total estimate of cost is $29,245,000.00.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. "Spike" Hennessey is now working at Funston Playground under the S.E.R.A. She was asked to notify Mr. Maurice L. Rapheld, Executive Secretary to Mayor Rossi, of Mr. Hennessey's appointment.

The Superintendent reported that she called on the City Attorney and he has not yet had an opportunity to see the Controller regarding this department's unexpended balances, but expects to have a reply for the Commission meeting.

The Superintendent reported the advisability of placing Mr. Gono Morena as Director-at-large of the Central District including the North Beach and Chinese Districts. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission authorized Miss Randall to place Mr. Morena in that capacity at once.

The Superintendent presented the tentative 1935-36 Budget for the Commission's consideration. Copies were supplied the Commissioners in order that they may make recommendations at a special budget meeting to be held in the near future.

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On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to add the following items to the Budget:

LAND		
Eureka Valley District		
19th and Collingwood Streets	$25,000.00	
Upper Noe Valley District	25,000.00	
Redding School District	25,000.00	$ 75,000.00
BUILDING		
Little Theatre		100,000.00
		$175,000.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

A delegation of thirteen representatives from the Redding School District, with Mrs. Geo. J. Sikpers, and Frank S. Lorigan as principal speakers, appeared before the Commission to emphasize the need for a playground in their district. They asked the Commission to consider the purchase of the Lurline Bates' property at Bush and Larkin Streets, and/or close Austin Street which adjoins the baths.

The Chairman notified the group that the Commission has included $25,000.00 in the budget to start the purchase of land for a playground in their district, and will confer with Mr. J. J. Phillips regarding suitable arrangements for the purchase of land.

The Superintendent reported the need of installing a heater at Ocean View Playground in the approximate sum of $160.00. On motion of Mr. Berendsen seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the installation of a heater in the Ocean View Playground at a cost not to exceed $160.00. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended the passage of the following resolution which is to be sent to Mr. J. J. Scott Jr., Attorney for the person from whom the Recreation Department is purchasing the Angelo J. Rossi Playground. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the resolution was approved.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 867, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on June 26, 1933, the City and County of San Francisco is purchasing five parcels of land for the ANGELO J. ROSSI PLAYGROUND; and

WHEREAS, the City has already purchased three of said parcels, and has an option to purchase the remaining two parcels on or before December 5, 1935, for the sum of $[illegible],448.00, with interest thereon at 5% per year from June 23, 1933 to date of payment, plus reimbursement of taxes paid on such property by the present owner.

NOW, THEREFORE, It is hereby resolved that it is the intention of this department to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the option be exercised to purchase said remaining parcels if and when the necessary funds become available.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that there is opposition to the classification of the community center employees. She suggested that the Commissioners attend the meeting of the Civil Service Commission next Wednesday, if possible, when the matter is scheduled to be discussed.

Mr. Berendsen moved that it be the consensus of the Commission that they be present when the classification is discussed by the Civil Service Commission, and that the Superintendent notify the members of the meeting time. The motion was seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried.

Mr. Hilton, Supervisor, accompanied by a delegation from the Ashbury Heights Improvement Club, appeared before the Commission to be assured that an amount was included in the budget for a playground on Corona Heights. The delegation expressed itself as to the Commission's favorable action.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at [illegible] P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, February 6, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 16, 1935 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

An opinion was received from the City Attorney regarding unexpended balances. At the end of the fiscal year, any unexpended or unencumbered funds of the Recreation Department are to revert to the Reserve Fund. The Controller shall continue to withhold a sufficient amount to protect this department's appropriation against any deficiency arising by reason of tax delinquency. The Controller shall also continue to certify that there are sufficient unencumbered funds in the treasury to the credit of each appropriation of the Recreation Department from which expenditures become due and payable. The opinion was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. E. J. Riordan, Real Estate Department, appraising the following playground sites:

Redding School District, approximately	$125,000.00
Eureka Valley District, "	$151,000.00
Upper Noe Valley District, "	$201,000.00

The letter was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mrs. T. W. Sneaf, Secretary, Eureka Valley Promotion Association, requesting that last year's recommendation for a playground in their district be included again in this year's budget. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary is to inform them that $25,000 has been included.

A communication was received from Mr. J. Lamb, Secretary Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association requesting that $25,000 be included for a district playground in this year's budget. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary is to inform them that this amount has been included.

Pursuant to authority granted by the Commission at its meeting on January 16, the Secretary advised that bids had been requested on a Petrol No. 7 H Water Heater for Ocean View Playground and the following quotations received:

John J. Carmody	$[illegible]
Wm. [illegible]. Rose	149.[illegible]
General Sales Corporation	147.[illegible]
Herman Lissen Co. (Did not quote	
which was not a specific	195.[illegible]
Kelly and Kohler	147.[illegible]

The Superintendent on January 28 awarded contract to the low bidder, Kelly and Kohler, in the sum of $147.[illegible].

The Superintendent reported that some legal question was arisen regarding the Commission's request for reclassification of community center directors. Therefore, the Commission was unanimously of the opinion that a letter be sent to the Civil Service Commission withholding action until a further study can be made by the Recreation Commission.

The Superintendent reported the Controller has indicated approximately $7,941.[illegible] will be available from unexpended balances as of April 30, and she recommends expending this amount on needed repairs and improvements throughout the department. On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission authorized the expenditures as recommended by the Superintendent. It was recommended that wherever possible the work on [illegible] labor may be employed, be performed first. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. [illegible] Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent brought to the attention of the Commission the condition of the retaining wall at the Hawkins Playground, 37th and Quesada Avenue, and recommended that steps be taken to safeguard play areas in the vicinity. After some discussion, upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, it was unanimously

RESOLVED THAT the Superintendent be authorized to negotiate the services of a competent Consulting Engineer to examine the exact cause for failure of the retaining wall, and to recommend proper method for restoring or repairing the wall to preclude any possible further damage to property or injury to persons on play areas of the playground below, together with an estimate of the probable cost of such repairs or restoration.

Such services for said Consulting Engineer not to exceed in total the sum of $500.[illegible], and that payment therefor from current funds of the Recreation Department is hereby authorized.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that the per diem men renewed their request of May 1933 that they be placed on a monthly basis. At that time, the Commission approved the request which was denied by the Civil Service Commission. At this time the Civil Service Commission is willing to consider the request if it meets with the Recreation Commission's sanction. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission decided to lay the matter on the table. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. J. Lyon, plasterer, has suggested that his rate be cut to $10.00 per day. He has been asked to communicate with the Civil Service Commission, and receive their decision.

The Superintendent reported that this department employs one light and two heavy truck drivers at the uniform pay of $150.00 per month. According to the salary ordinance the rate is $6.50 per day for the light trucks and $7.50 per day for the heavy. Therefore, since our employees perform additional duties besides regular trucking, she recommends a salary increase. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the light truck driver be recommended to receive $160.00 per month, and the heavy truck drivers $165.00, commencing 7/1/35. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

In discussing the personnel items in the 1935-1936 Budget, on motion of Mr. Berendsen seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission recommended that the Superintendent increase two of the Community Center directors' salaries, namely Miss Alice Whitely, $125 to $150.00 per month, and Mr. Dudley Nebeker's rate to $135.00 per month, if these amounts represent the highest amounts they can legally be paid at this time. The Superintendent was asked to confer with the Civil Service Commission in this recommendation. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission recommended that the Community Center directors' salaries be increased $35.00 per month, and all other directors $25.00. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Commission decided to eliminate the item of $100,000.00 for a little theatre building, formerly included in the budget, and to ascertain if suitable arrangements may be made to rent one of the vacant theatres in San Francisco instead. It was suggested that the President Theatre might be available, and it may be possible to have the rental apply on the purchase price if that is advisable. The Superintendent was asked to secure this information immediately, and then confer with the Commissioners.

The Commission outlined the $9,000.00 request for capital improvements [illegible] as follows:

Caretaker's House	$6000.00
Asphalt	1450.00
Drywall for Block Pile	1000.00
Cement Mixer	400.00
Transmitters	150.00

[illegible] Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, [illegible] the construction of an outdoor amphitheatre at Duboce Park and to secure the necessary capital, to the construction of the retaining wall. [illegible] Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Commission unanimously approved the [illegible] in improvements for 1935.

[illegible] Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, [illegible]

[illegible]

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Foehr recommended the classification of Caretaker Foreman for one of his men acting in that capacity. The Superintendent was asked to discuss this request with the Civil Service Commission.

The Superintendent reported it was decided by the Board of Public Works to place the Hampshire Street fence at the James Rolph Jr. Playground, along the property line. The Superintendent reported that one of the property owners adjoining the James Rolph Jr. Playground is again asking that a portion of her property be transferred to the city, and that she receive a piece in exchange to provide street frontage. The Commission recommended that the Superintendent, Mr. Merchant, and Mr. Phillips, look into the proposition and make recommendations.

The Superintendent reported that the Commission's request that Mr. McElvaney's position be established as Chief Clerk for the Recreation Department is in the Mayor's Office. The Commission therefore asked that a letter be forwarded to the Mayor respectfully asking him to take favorable action on their request.

The Commission approved the Superintendent's suggestion that the old cottages at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove be removed.

The Commission recommended retaining Mr. Clifford Nelson in the capacity of Director at the Hayes Valley Recreation Center, instead of releasing him for visual education work.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:45p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda Young Fonning
Secretary

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held at 2 P. M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berandsen
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 6, 1935 were corrected, and on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

Three letters were received from the Mayor's Office. One was from the Bernal Boosters Inc., 3?4 Cortland Avenue, requesting that Holly Park be made into a playground. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply to the Mayor, and the Bernal Boosters stating that St. Mary's Park Playground, only three blocks away, is being developed into a recreation area.

A second letter was from Mrs. Elise Metz, Secretary, Glen Park Progressive Improvement Club, 657 Chenery Street, requesting the Commission to include $50,000.00 in the Budget for a Community Center. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary instructed to reply to the Mayor, and the Improvement Club that $47,000.00 has been included.

The third letter was from Mr. J. Lamb, Secretary the Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association, 494 Valley Street, requesting that $15,000 be included in the budget for a playground in their district. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to notify the Mayor, and the Improvement Club that this amount has been included.

Mr. A. E. Curtis, Director Department of Finance Board of Supervisors, forwarded the following letters to the Commission concerning the 1935-1936 Budget: Noe Valley Improvement Association's request of $15,000 for a playground, Southern Civic Clubs request for purchase of property in Bay View District, Glen Park Progressive Improvement Club's request for $50,000 field house Glen Park Playground. Southern Civic Clubs approval of improvements for Glen Park, Longfellow-Mt. Vernon, Bay View and St. Mary's Park. All of the requests have been included in the Budget, and the Secretary was instructed to notify the Board of Supervisors, and the Improvements Clubs accordingly. The letters were ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. Eric . Hammond, President, San Francisco - Second District California Congress of Parents and Teachers thanking the Commission for including an amount in the budget for a playground in the Redding School District. The letter was ordered filed.

Mr. Berandsen recommended that in future all play ground buildings which cost over $50,000 be referred to as community centers. The Commission approved the recommendation.

The Superintendent reported that among the several requests submitted to Mr. J. Elder, State Engineer, P. . .. which this commission would like constructed, is one totaling $375,00? for Indian Creek at Camp Mather. Mr. Conlin, Camp Manager, who is investigating every angle of this project, has been receiving the cooperation of Mr. E. . . Coffee, ... Water Department. Mr. Hetzel has been consulting Mr. Clifton Meyer, Real Estate Engineer, P. . . . now making this matter. A progress report will be submitted later.

In discussing water distribution in the Sharon Memorial site, on motion of Mr. Berandsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Hetzel was authorized to investigate the water distribution for this property. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berandsen, Mr. Clarke.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. [illegible] of Supervisors Committee, located at Geary near Baker Streets, is anxious to sell, lease, or rent his property. He proposed to sell it for $[illegible] or rent it for approximately $400 per month. The Superintendent and Mr. Hetzel looked over the entire plant, and recommended consideration of this property. The Commission decided to have Mr. J. J. Phillips appraise the property.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Alexander . Stark, President State Teachers' College, informed her that the Teachers' College Board is planning to move its offices of principal activities from Russian Hill at 1000 Vallejo Street, if a transfer or sale of their present building for their new location can be effected. Therefore he thought the Commission would like to know if they would be interested in acquiring the present site at Richmond and Lake Streets which comprises two blocks. The alleged value of this improved property is $?00,000 and if it is possible to purchase it over a period of twenty years, would cost approximately $35,000 yearly. The Superintendent recommends the consideration of this property.

Mr. J.J. Phillips indicated the difficulty he would have in attempting to ap-

improved and encumbered property such as the State Teachers' College, and Burke's Gymnasium, on a long term agreement since it is not possible to bind the city in that manner. He stated, however, he will see the City Attorney regarding these requests.

The Superintendent reported she and Mr. Merchant called on the owner of property adjacent to James Rolph Jr. Playground, who has been asking for a transfer of a portion of her property, for playground land having street frontage. The previous request made to the Superintendent by the owner's lawyer was that the Recreation Commission give a portion of the playground to the Streets Committee, thereby clearing title to her property, and in return she would give an equal amount of land to the Recreation Commission. The Superintendent recommended that this be done. Now the owner asks that the Recreation Commission exchange playground property on Potrero Avenue for property in rear of her apartment houses. The Superintendent recommends that the matter be held for further information.

The Superintendent reported Supervisor Gallagher inquired when the Potrero Avenue fence at the James Rolph Jr. Playground is to be replaced. The estimated cost of replacement is $921. This expense cannot be approved until the Douglass Playground report is rendered, since it is not known at this time what safety measures will be required at Douglass.

The Superintendent reported that the Board of Education had passed a resolution recommending that liquor establishments are not to be located within one block of public schools. The Commission decided to adhere to their policy, namely, that no liquor establishment be located within 300 feet of the playgrounds.

The Superintendent reported a request has been received to remove or trim two or three trees near the baby swings on Glen Park Playground, and that it is advisable to do so. The Commission approved this action, and asked that the Superintendent notify the persons complaining, of the Recreation Commission's decision.

The Commission recommended the removal of the eucalyptus trees on Mission Playground.

The Commission approved the wording on the Northern California Drama Association's stationery to read "Sponsored by Recreation Commission."

The Commission suggested naming the new association being formed by this Department, and which will include the Industrial Athletic Association, the Industrial Recreation Division of the San Francisco Recreation Commission."

The Superintendent reported there are three vacancies for boys at Camp Mather. The Commission decided to place the following: Ernest Miller as Life Guard, Bruce Gray, Piano Player, and Walter Unger.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at [illegible] P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida Young Fanning
Secretary

The regular Commission meeting which was to have been held today was postponed until the next regular meeting date, March 20, 1935.

Ida Young Fanning
Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

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San Francisco, April 3, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held at 2 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next regular meeting at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 20, 1935 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Noel Sullivan expressing his families' pleasure in the Superintendent's suggestion that China Beach be named James D. Phelan Recreation Beach. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided to name China Beach, James D. Phelan Recreation Beach. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Sullivan of the Commission's action.

A letter was received from Dr. J. C. Geiger, requesting the Commission to obtain an appropriation of $600.00 for the Department of Public Health to carry on an investigation, in cooperation with the Hooper Foundation, University of California, of the cause for relapsing fever in the High Sierra.

Mr. Berendsen made a motion that while the Recreation Commission realizes the importance of the investigation recommended by Dr. J. C. Geiger, and is sympathetic with the idea, the Commission has no funds available for research at the present time, and therefore suggests that Dr. J. C. Geiger petition the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco for a special appropriation to carry on this work. The motion was seconded by Mr. McLaren, and unanimously carried. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to notify Dr. Geiger of the Commission's action.

A resolution was received from Mrs. Eric W. Hammond, President S.F.-2nd District California Congress of Parents and Teachers, urging that all recreation centers for children under the jurisdiction of the Recreation Commission, and the Park Commission, be supervised by qualified directors. The resolution was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that all of the centers operated by the Recreation Commission are properly supervised by trained, competent directors.

A letter was received from Mrs. Elise Tietz, Secretary Glen Park Progressive Improvement Club, 65[illegible] Chenery Street, asking this Commission to assist them in securing an appraisal of the Crocker Estate Company's property adjacent to Glen Park Playground.

Mr. Gene Riordan informed the Commission that the city acquired a portion of the property with Hetch Hetchy funds, and that since the last Hetch Hetchy Bond Issue the Board of Supervisors stopped all purchase of property in that district. To his knowledge there has not been an abandonment of the proposed reservoir in this district. The Commission decided to ask the Director of Property to converse with Mr. George Stimmel, General Manager of the Crocker Estate Company regarding this entire matter. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to notify the writer of the Commission's action.

A letter was received from Mrs. G. Hicks, Secretary Glen Park Community Club, 120 Swiss Avenue, requesting permission to conduct dancing on the Glen Park Tennis Courts, at their annual picnic, Sunday, July 28, and inquiring about the possibility of having the Municipal Band present a concert that day. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to inform the club that while the concensus of the Commission is that public dances on Sundays are not against the Recreation Commission's policy, yet they wish no admission to be charged, and the dancing to be properly supervised. It was suggested that they communicate with Mr. Philip H. Spiro, Director Municipal Band, regarding the band concert.

The Commission further suggested that the Superintendent reach Miss Georgiana Carden, Chief Public Dance Hall Supervisor, regarding the dance.

A letter was received from Mr. A. Kelly, President Army Street District Promotion Association, 3010 Army Street, requesting improvements for the James Rolph Jr. Playground. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission is doing its utmost to secure funds for needed improvements, is installing showers in the club house, and fencing Potrero Avenue, but has no money for constructing bleachers, or erecting flood lights for night play.

A letter was received from Mrs. S. Howes, 4503-3rd Street, urging the Commission to include in the 1935-1936 Budget a request for a playground on 3rd Street, between Kirkwood and McKinnon Avenues in the Bay View District. The letter was ordered filed, and the Commission asked that it be answered explaining that provision has already been made in the budget for the Bay View District in the sum of $15,000 to buy land near the Burnett School.

A letter was received from Gus H. Pollock, 206 Sansome Street, President West End Improvement Association, requesting the Commission to erect a battery of tennis courts on the vacant school property this department secured permission to use, namely at California and Clement Streets, 30th and 31st Avenues. The

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letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission is very much in favor of this improvement, but will not be able to develop the property until funds are available.

A letter was received from Mr. G. T. Vett, of 11 Westgate Drive, calling the Commission's attention to a condition existing on his property, caused by drainage from the east slope of the Aptos Playground, and urging that the situation be remedied. The Superintendent reported it will cost between $50 and $100 to properly take care of the drainage. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to eliminate the existing complaint, by having the necessary work done at an expense not to exceed $100 as soon as the necessary funds can be transferred by authorization of the Controller. Ayes: Mr. J. C. Berendsen, Miss Mosgrove. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission will take care of his complaint as soon as possible.

The Superintendent recommended asking the Board of Public Works to transfer their lot on Edward Street across from the Angelo J. Rossi Playground to the Recreation Commission to use in connection with the playground activities. The Commission asked that the necessary steps be taken to have the property transferred as recommended.

The Superintendent reported she saw Mr. J. J. Phillips regarding the request of Mrs. Babetta Schmidt, of 1395 Hampshire Street, for the transfer of a portion of her property for James Rolph Jr. Playground frontage on Potrero Avenue, Mr. Phillips suggested that we employ the City Engineer's Office to survey our fence line, and give Mrs. Schmidt the property from our fence to her buildings which she is already using, and in return have her give us a certain portion of her property in exchange. The survey will cost approximately $50. Mr. Berendsen moved that Mr. Phillips be authorized to draw up a contract for the necessary exchange of the property described as follows: that strip of land lying between the westerly boundary line of the property of San Francisco and the fence which is on the property of the City and County of San Francisco, approximately 10' east of the aforesaid westerly boundary line, in exchange for lot 3 D, Block 4276. The motion was seconded by Mr. McLaren, and approved. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, it was decided that an official survey be made by the City Engineer's Office, at an approximate cost of $50.00, provided Mrs. Schmidt signs the contract. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen.

Mr. Murray Norton, the owner of a five-acre strip of property adjoining St. Mary's Park Playground, came before the Commission to report that the excavation work and fill at the playground has left his property low and damp. It was called to Mr. Norton's attention that he had approved the plan for the fill when the work was started.

The Commission decided to make an investigation of this complaint, and asked Mr. Norton to return at some future meeting with a suggestion of how to remedy the situation.

The Superintendent reported that a portion of the China Beach bank is slipping and Mr. Hyde Forbes, geologist, reports that the method to prevent this is by proper drainage. The initial step is to have borings made which will cost $1184.00. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission authorized the research work which will cost $1184.00 and asked the Superintendent to secure the necessary money from Recreation Department funds through the Controller. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that the Studebaker automobile operated by Mr. Raymond Kimbell is needing many repairs at this time, and it will be more advantageous to trade it in for a new car because of the substantial trade-in allowance. A Plymouth will cost $429.00, or a Chevrolet $495.00. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove the Commission approved the purchase of a new automobile not to exceed $500.00, and asked that the Studebaker be traded in for the machine which Mr. Kimbell prefers to operate. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

Mr. Merchant presented plans for the Angelo J. Rossi Community Center building to include a little theatre. It is the Superintendent's hope that this building may be erected through S.E.R.A. funds. Mr. Merchant was asked to decorate or change the construction materials to be used in, the exterior high wall of the theatre portion of the building.

Mr. Merchant presented plans for the complete development of the former County Jail building.

The Superintendent reported that the Angelo J. Rossi Playground, and the County Jail plans, are to be submitted immediately to Mr. Clyde Healy and Mr. Albert W. Larsen, who represent the S.E.R.A. Just as rapidly as plans are ready for the various improvements in the department, they will also be submitted.

The Superintendent reported that there is to be a conference in Fresno on April 2nd, concerning State Park matters. Col. C.C.Thomson has asked that Miss Mosgrove and Miss Randall attend. Mr. Berendsen moved that Miss Randall be requested to attend the State Park meeting in Fresno April 22, 1935, and since Miss Mosgrove has acquiesced to go, that she accompany her. The motion was seconded and approved. Ayes: Mr. Berendsen, Miss Mosgrove.

The Superintendent reported there is to be a Western Division Recreation Conference in Sacramento, April 25-27 inclusive, and Mr. Kimbell, Miss Proctor, Mrs. Foster and she have been asked to speak. A request was received that Commissioners attend, if possible. Mr. Berendsen stated he may be able to attend. Mr. Berendsen moved that Miss Josephine D. Randall, Miss Hester Proctor, Mrs. Marie Foster, and Mr. Raymond Kimbell be authorized to attend the

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Western Division Recreation Conference in Sacramento, April 25-27 inclusive, and if possible a Commissioner should also attend, and that whatever reasonable expenses are incurred, be paid from the Recreation Commission's funds. The motion was seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and approved. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported several directors have asked to attend the conference at their own expense, but without being docked for time off. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Superintendent was authorized to use her discretion in selecting the directors who may attend, and they are not to receive a deduction in salary. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen.

A letter was received from Mrs. Orenia Menzel asking if she may receive time off with pay to attend the International Recreation Congress in Berlin. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

The Superintendent reported the members of the American Legion Post living in the neighborhood of the County Jail have asked to hold their meetings there. The Commission decided to withhold action for the present.

The Commission decided to change the name of the new athletic association being formed to "Industrial Division, Recreation Department", thereby rescinding the name selected at the Commission meeting on February 20.

The Superintendent reported that the procedure for taking camp registrations has been changed to conform with a system designed jointly by the Controller's Office and our Camp Manager.

The Superintendent asked the Commissioners if they have any suggestions to offer for the Recreation Commission's exhibit in the 1938 Fair. It was suggested that an exhibit showing the "then and now" idea be worked out on preliminary small models.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 5:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida Young Fanning

Secretary

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San Francisco, April 17, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held at 2 P. M. with Mrs. SigmundStern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 3, 1935 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mrs. Cecilia J. Milly, Secretary Bay View Civic Club, 1666 Quesada Avenue, enclosing a copy of her letter to Mayor Rossi urging that the playground to be established in the Bay View District be located on Mendell Street, between Oakdale and Newcomb Avenues. The letter was ordered filed.

Miss Ida Fitschen representing Mrs. S. Howes, called before the Commission, asking them to consider the following Bay View District property for playground purposes: that property situated within the two blocks bounded by Third and Mendell Streets, and McKinnon and Kirkwood Avenues. The Commissioners plan to further investigate these requests.

A letter was received from Mr. M. J. Minkler, Principal Redding School, asking that the school property be enlarged by the purchase of the adjoining garage property. The letter was ordered filed. The Superintendent reported that at the Budget hearing in the Mayor's Office, Mayor Rossi recommended that the property be acquired by the Board of Education. Dr. Lee reported that the Board of Education decided not to buy the property since they have been asked to reduce capital outlay. Therefore the matter has been referred back to the Mayor.

Dr. Lee suggested the possibility of the Recreation Commission acquiring the Lurline Baths' property. The Superintendent was asked to inquire what the cost of operation is, the rental cost, and purchase price.

The Commission decided to write an informal letter to the Board of Education inquiring if they would be interested in discussing the possibility of the Board of Education and the Recreation Commission jointly acquiring, at a proper evaluation, two private pools, namely, Lurline Baths and Crystal Palace Baths. The purpose of acquiring the baths would be to help provide the necessary swimming pool facilities at reasonable rates for children of San Francisco.

A letter was received from Mr. Bestor Robinson, Chairman Winter Sports Committee, Sierra Club, regarding ski trails in the Sierra Nevada, and inquiring about the Commission's plans for winter sports at Camp Mather. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to reply indicating the Recreation Commission's plans.

A letter was received from Mrs. Elise Tietz, Secretary Glen Park Progressive Improvement Club, 657 Chenery Street, informing the Commission that the Public Utilities Commission plans to eventually construct a reservoir in the rear of the Glen Park Playground, but until that time, may be willing to lease the land for recreation purposes. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mrs. Alice L. Cummings, Secretary Ashbury Terrace Improvement Club, 34 AshburyTerrace, informing the Commission of her club's activities in working for the proposed Corona Heights Playground. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Chief Quinn, regarding an application for a liquor license at 199 Grove Street opposite the High School of Commerce playground, and inquiring if the Commission desires to file a protest against granting the permit. Dr. Lee asked for a copy of the letter and indicated that the Board of Education will send a formal protest to the State Board of Equalization. The letter was ordered filed, and the Commission also decided to file a protest.

A letter was received from Mr. Paul H. Davis, Director of Relief, enclosing a copy of his letter to Mr. Guido J. Musto suggesting certain improvements for San Francisco to be paid out of Federal funds. These suggestions include recommendations for improving recreation areas. The letter was ordered filed.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously approved the following Requests for Additional Allotments:

No. 56 for $1435.00, appropriation No. 13.102.00 Temporary Salaries
No. 57 for $4450.00, appropriation No. 13.103.00 Wages

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

Mr. Berendsen moved that in order to greatly facilitate the handling of transactions with the Controller's Office, the following resolution be adopted, and that the Superintendent apprise the Commission at subsequent meetings of the various allotments and transfers of funds she has approved and forwarded to the Controller. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lee, and unanimously approved.

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RESOLUTION - ALLOTMENT AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, it is necessary from time to time to request of the Controller's Office the allotment of additional funds from our several appropriations and transfers of funds from one appropriation to another, to meet operating requirements of the Department, and

WHEREAS, since Section 72 of the Charter specifically provides that all such requests be formally approved by Boards and Commissions, and it is not always convenient or possible to prepare such transfers and allotment requests for action of the Commission on the regular meeting dates, it would expedite the handling of transactions with the Controller's Office if the Superintendent be given authority by the Commission to make such requests for allotments and transfers as operating requirements of the department might prove necessary or desirable. This, or course not to involve the expenditure of any funds not specifically authorized by the Commission but merely the adjustment of accounts from time to time,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent be and she is hereby authorized to make requests upon the Controller for such allotments and transfers of funds as in her judgment may be necessary without specific approval by the Commission of each such allotment or transfer request.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported she expects to hear from Mr. Leonard Leavy within the next few days regarding the release of Recreation Commission funds which he is holding in the reserve account at present.

The Superintendent reported the Mayor has approved the following land purchases in the Commission's 1935-1936 Budget:

BAY VIEW DISTRICT	.....$15,000.00	
9th and ORTEGA	..... 6,000.00	
SUNSET DISTRICT	..... 25,000.00	
CORONA HEIGHTS	..... 25,000.00	
EUREKA VALLEY	.....25,000.00	
GRATTAN SCHOOL SITE	..... 25,000.00	
LONGFELLOW SCHOOL SITE	..... 20,000.00	
UPPER NOE VALLEY	..... 25,000.00	$166,000.00

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Dr. Lee, and unanimously carried, the Superintendent was asked to write to the Mayor urging that he retain in this year's budget the establishment of three positions in the Administrative Staff, namely, Chief Clerk of the Recreation Department, at a salary of $275.00 per month, Supervisor of Athletics at $200.00, and Supervisor of Girls' and Women's Activities at $185.00, and explain in detail the reasons for this recommendation. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Dr. Lee, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported Mr. Paul H. Davis, Director of Relief, anticipates an appreciable increase in the S.E.R.A. funds available for recreation projects in the near future. He estimates that this department may receive about $75,000.00 a month. This will mean the enlargement of administrative operations at 7th and Bryant Streets.

The Superintendent also reported that among the various P.W.A. projects San Francisco is requesting, and which Mr. Leonard Leavy is going to take up in Washington, are the Recreation Commission's requests totaling approximately $4,000,000.00.

Mr. Merchant presented the plan of the caretaker's house at Camp Mather, and the revised plans, known as scheme F, for the Crocker-Amazon Reservoir Site.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously decided to send a letter of appreciation to the San Francisco News for their editorial of April 17, 1935 regarding the Recreation Commission's budget.

The Commission approved Mr. Berendsen's recommendation that the name of Kirk Riegelhuth be placed first on the eligible list of "standbys" to work at Camp Mather in case it is necessary to make replacements or to augment the present staff of boys.

The Superintendent called the Commission's attention to the gift to San Francisco by the late James M. Huddart, of 973 acres in Woodside. Miss Randall reported she made a request of the Mayor to consider its use by the Recreation Department for camping purposes.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida Young Fanning

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 1, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2:45 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J.C. Berendsen
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 17, 1935, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Bruce Gray, piano player, stating he will not be able to work at Camp Mather this summer. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to see Kirk Riegelhuth, and if he is acceptable for work at camp, to assign him for this season.

A letter was received from Mrs. E.W. Hammond, President San Francisco-Second District California Congress of Parents and Teachers, enclosing a request from the President of the Douglas P.T.A. that the Recreation Commission survise the Douglas Schoolyard at 19th and Collingwood Streets. The letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Superintendent has been asked to investigate this request and make recommendations to the Commission.

A letter was received from Mr. Charles W. Dechent, 548 Rockdale Drive, Treasurer Miraloma Park Improvement Club, endorsing a proposal to replace the community center at Glen Park Playground. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to inform him that the Commission included $57,000.00 in its Budget for a new building for this playground.
submitted to the Mayor,

A letter was received from Mr. George W. Kemper, 2926-32nd Avenue, President Merced Manor Property Owners' Association, expressing appreciation for the use of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove recently. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. D. J. Cox, Director of Athletics, San Francisco State College, thanking the Recreation Department for providing practice fields for the baseball team. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. H. Ross, Controller's Office, regarding the money in the Commission's reserve account for which the department has applied. The Superintendent reported she saw Mr. Ross, and he hopes to give her a statement of the money available in about two weeks at which time he believes the tax delinquencies will have been determined. The letter was ordered filed.

Mrs. Stern reported she visited the two sites in the Bay View District where playgrounds have been requested. She recommends that the property near the Burnett School be acquired in preference to the site on Third and McKinnon Streets, first, because of the Commission's policy to locate playgrounds as near schools as possible, second, the property is less expensive, and third, there are many more residences within close proximity.

The Secretary reported Mr. J. J. Phillips advised the Commission not to consider acquiring the Lurline Baths with a view to continuing their use as a swimming pool because the plant is forty-one years old, and is obsolete, the cost of operating it is prohibitive, and if the Commission should decide to renovate the pool it would involve tremendous expense. The Commission decided to abandon the idea, and to withhold sending a letter to the Board of Education until detailed information is received from Mr. Phillips on the condition of the Crystal Palace Baths.

Commissioner Berendsen presented a letter he received from Mr. Richard B. Perkins, General Secretary, The Y. M. C. A., enclosing a record of the activities of that organization for last year. Mr. Berendsen suggested that this department might list its various accomplishments every three months, and mail the information to the citizens of San Francisco. This will help to create interest in the department's activities, and may assist in securing additional funds when requested. The Commissioners thought the suggestion was a good one.

The Superintendent reported Miss Chloe Tietz, who is interested in having the canyon property in the rear of Glen Park Playground developed into a recreation area, called before the Education, Parks and Recreation Committee of the Board of Supervisors, recently. They informed her the Board of Supervisors has some money available which may be used to acquire the property, and suggested that the Recreation Commission be asked to write them a letter stating they are interested in securing the property. The Commission, not wishing to jeopardize their budget requests, decided that Mr. Berendsen be authorized to take up the matter with Supervisor Havenner, Chairman of the Committee, before such a letter is written.

The Superintendent reported she had approved Request for Additional Allotment No. 58 for $20.70, Appropriation No. 17.101.00 Permanent Salaries.

The Superintendent reported Miss Florence Friedman of the Visitacion Valley Center would like to obtain from the Board of Education the Visitacion School Building when abandoned if this department does not want it. The Commissioners asked the Superintendent to inform her they do not want it.

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The Superintendent reported that approximately one hundred business girls had a most enjoyable time at their picnic supper, camp fire and party held at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove recently.

The Superintendent reported this department's annual May Festival will be held in the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove on Saturday, May 11, at 2:15 P.M.

The Commission decided to bring up at next Commission meeting the retention in this year's budget of three positions to be established in the Administrative Staff, since no further action can be taken at this time. The Superintendent was asked to see the budget, as approved by the Mayor, and follow up this matter.

Mr. Merchant reported the following construction projects were delivered to Mr. Clyde E. Healy, Coordinator of S.E.R.A. work projects for the City and County of San Francisco:

1. Angelo J.Rossi Playground	- Working drawings for sprinkler system, tennis courts, and fence.
2. Crocker-AmazonSite	- Plans and specifications for entire sprinkler system; gutters and drainage plan of the entire area. Lay-out of bleachers and baseball diamonds.
3. Glen Park Playground	- Complete working drawings and specifications of gymnasium and auditorium.
4. St. Mary's Park Playground	- Rock and concrete retaining walls, lay-out of tennis courts, fence, and sprinkler system in place except for sprinkler head valves.
5. 24th and Douglass Site	- Lay-out of courts, fence, drainage, and planting area.
6. 30th and Clement Site	- Lay-out of tennis courts, fence, drainage, and planting area; specifications for tennis courts, fence and convenience station.
7. 38th and Fulton Site	- Complete working drawings and specifications.
8. County Jail Site	- Steel and concrete work.
9. Potrero Hill Playground	- Lay-out of tennis courts, basketball court, gutters, drainage, pump house, and convenience station.

The Superintendent reported on the Western Division Recreation Conference held in Sacramento on April 25-27 inclusive. The Commission complimented the Superintendent on the report.

Miss Mosgrove reported on the State Park Conference held in Fresno, April 22. She was impressed by the talk given by Dr. E. P. Meinecke, government pathologist, in which he urged that camps be kept in as natural a state as possible to help prolong the lives of the trees.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided that a letter be sent to Mayor Rossi respectfully requesting him to use his influence in obtaining for the Recreation Commission the property in San Mateo County which the late James M. Huddart left to San Francisco. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Commission decided to visit this property some time in the near future.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:05 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco, May 15, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at the hour of 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 1, 1935 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Mrs. P. K. Bailey, President Sutro P.T.A., asking the Recreation Commission to supervise the Sutro Schoolyard. The Superintendent reported she investigated this request, and also the request for the supervision of the Douglas Schoolyard. Both yards are small but the success of the Pacific Heights Schoolyard, which is similar in area, has demonstrated that it is possible to successfully operate a small schoolyard playground. She recommends, if funds are available after July 1, 1935, to take care of operation expense, that these schoolyards be supervised. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission appreciates the need for a supervised playground, but cannot make any decision until July 1, when they will know what money is available in their budget.

A letter was received from Mrs. A.L. Bachman, Director of Public Welfare, 2nd District P. T. A., explaining that a copy of a resolution passed by the P.T.A., was sent to this office to merely inform the Recreation Commission of their request to the Park Commission urging supervision of areas under that department's control, and stating that the P.T.A. has a very high regard for the manner in which the Recreation Commission functions. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Mr. W. H. Worden, Director Department of Public Works, stating he is favorably inclined to transferring the Board of Public Works' property in Block 1141, opposite the Angelo J. Rossi Playground, to the Recreation Department, but before this can be done it will be necessary to have the request approved by the Mayor. The letter was ordered filed. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to proceed in this matter, and respectfully request the Mayor to take the necessary steps to effect this transfer. Ayes: Mrs.Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr.McLaren.

A communication was received from Mr. E. D. Washburn, 1150 Broderick Street, suggesting the erection of an enclosed swimming pool on the site of the old I.O.O.F. cemetery. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission realizes the necessity for additional swimming pools, and would like to consider therequest, but has no funds available for this purpose.

A letter of appreciation was received from Mrs. H. S. Schreiber, Corresponding Secretary, S.F. Branch, National League of American Pen Women for having theGlen Park Playground girls present tableau at their recent program. The letter was ordered filed.

A letter was received from Dr. J. C. Geiger, Director of Public Health, suggesting that arrangements be made for the Recreation Commission to carry on an investigation of Camp Mather and vicinity, with reference to relapsing fever. The Superintendent explained that last year's investigation revealed the source of trouble was at the Oakland Boy Scouts' Camp approximately three miles from Mather. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to respectfully call Dr. Geiger's attention to the report which was made last year, and mention that this department's cabins are kept very clean.

A communication was received from Mr. James J. Sullivan, Secretary Parkside District Improvement Club, asking the Commission to purchase property in Pine Lake for recreation purposes. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that this year's budget requests have been closed, but it may be possible to give some consideration to the request next year if presented at the proper time.

A letter was received from Mr. Murray Norton, 530 Faxon Avenue, suggesting a remedy for the damage to the property adjoining St. Mary's Park Playground, caused by the excavation and fill. The suggested remedy is that the city furnish sufficient fill to bring the property up to a grade which will make it suitable for building purposes. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission plans to take up this matter with Mr. J.J. Phillips, Director of Property, for his recommendation.

Mr. Berendsen reported he was unable to reach Supervisor Havenner, as authorized in reference to the Glen Park Progressive Improvement Club's request, since he is in the East, but will reach him upon his return.

The Superintendent reported the Mayor has asked Mr. J.J. Phillips to inform him as to the advisability of having the City of San Francisco acquire the property of the late James M. Huddart in San Mateo County. It is necessary, among other things, to investigate the water situation. Mr. Phillips is acquainted with the RecreationCommission's desire to acquire the land. Miss Randall was authorized to furnish Mr. Phillips with this department's plan for its development.

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San Francisco,

The Commission looked with favor upon Mr. Berendsen's suggestion that serious consideration be given soon to presenting an amendment providing the Recreation Commission with a ten cent minimum appropriation, with no maximum specified, for the maintenance and operation of the department.

The Superintendent reported she had approved the following Requests for Transfers of Intra-Departmental Funds:

No. 59 in the sum of $1900.00 from 13.106.00 Fees and Compensation to 13.102.00 Temporary Salaries.

No. 60 in the sum of $21.74 from 13.203.01 Truck Hire to 13.200.00 Contractual.

No. 61 in the sum of $483.02 from 13.600.00 Land to 13.200.00 Contractual.

No. 62 in the sum of $500.00 from 13.800.00 Fixed Charges to 13.200.00 Contractual.

and

Request for Additional Allotment as follows:

No. 63 for $1000.00 - Appropriation No. 13.103.00 Wages.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the Superintendent's action. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, MissMosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported the Supervisors placed the request for $15,000 for land in the Bay View District, and $25,000 for land in Upper Noe Valley within the 7½ budget appropriation, thereby reducing the budget by $40,000. As the budget stands now, it is estimated we are to receive:

$514,507.00 from the tax rate
34,000.00 from our revenues
$548,507.00 Estimated Total

Last year we received:

$522,900.00 fromthe tax rate
30,500.00 from our revenues
$553,400.00 Received

The Commission decided that these matters be investigated to see what can be done.

The Superintendent reported the Controller has released $5238.07 from the Reserve fund, and $483.02 from the land fund. This makes it possible to erect the Potrero Avenue fence at the James Rolph Jr. Playground, purchase a machine for the Assistant Superintendent, conduct the drainage study at China Cove, and take care of wages and salaries for the balance of the year. A net total of $9000.00, which is still being held in reserve may be received before the close of the fiscal year.

The Superintendent mentioned this department sold some old equipment for $80.50 and this amount has been credited to our account.

Mr. Berendsen reported he attended a meeting in the Crocker Amazon District at which time it was suggested that Geneva Avenue, which connects Mission Street and the Bay Shore Highway, be widened as a boulevard, and adequate bus transportation be provided. The Superintendent reported two representatives from the Crocker Amazon Improvement Club, Mr. Michael Coll, President, and Mr. Michael Higgins, called, urging that the Commission go on record backing these suggestions.

Mr. Berendsen moved that the Commission immediately inform the representatives from the Crocker Amazon Improvement Club, and the Board of Public Works, that they have gone on record favoring the widening of Geneva Avenue, and that they are in favor with and approve the bus plan as outlined by the Market StreetRailway Company. The motion was seconded by Dr. Lee, and unanimously carried. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, MissMosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported Mrs. Pauline Lumsden, 2402 California Street, the mother of a crippled child, inquired if this department could arrange to have a survey made through S.E.R.A. showing the number of crippled children in San Francisco. She suggested that it may show the need for a special swimming pool for these children. On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission decided to have a survey made through S.E.R.A. indicating the number of crippled children, and their recreational needs, not only for swimming but for all recreation activities. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported Mr. GeneRiordan informed her that the Lurline Baths are to be sold and the building may be torn down. The property would then be available for purchase. She believes the Recreation Department, and Board of Education should do something about it.

Mr. Berendsen moved that Mr. Gene Riordan be asked to keep the Commission informed on this matter, and suggest what he thinks is the best procedure. The motion was seconded by Miss Mosgrove and approved. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Dr. Lee.

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The Superintendent suggested that a committee be formed to help this department plan for its exhibit in the 1938 Fair. She further suggested that the committee include the Recreation Council, Sporting Goods Houses, Fence and Lighting Equipment Houses. The Commission authorized her to proceed with plans for the organization of a committee. Mr. Berendsen suggested the presentation of plays by local groups at our exhibit.

The Superintendent mentioned that several cities in the United States are conducting recreation classes and activities for unemployed graduates of high schools and colleges. She suggested the possibility of using the Ingleside Jail for a similar purpose.

The Superintendent reported the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove has been entirely booked up for several months to come.

The Superintendent reported that the Music Committee of the Commonwealth Club was greatly interested in Mrs. Foster's report of this Commission's Music Department.

Mr. Berendsen reported he had received a complaintfrom property owners adjoining the Longfellow Schoolyard that children are climbing over their fences to recover balls. They suggested the erection of a high wire fence to stop this annoyance. Dr. Lee stated he will inveatigate this matter.

Mr. Berendsen reported he had been asked to have "Spike" Hennessey placed on a part-time basis with this department. The Commission suggested that the interested parties appeal to the Seals' management and see if he can be placed with them.

Mr. Berendsen inquired about the use of the proposed little theatre at the Angelo J. Rossi Playground. The Superintendent believes the Recreation Department and the Northern California Drama Association will use the building 100%, and that there will be little likelihood of outside groups securing its use in that event. With reference to office space, it does not seem likely that any space will be available to house offices for outside play directors. The Superintendent was asked to find out from Mr. Merchant how many offices are provided in the plans.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Playground Commission

San Francisco,

Playground Commission

San Francisco, June 5, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding. Since this was a minority meeting, all action taken will be subject to approval at the next meeting of the Commission at which time a quorum will be present.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 15, 1935, were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Purchaser of Supplies inquiring if the Commission wishes to continue its policy of insuring its motion picture camera equipment, since this type of insurance would establish a precedent. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to see Mr. Brooks and explain that the Commission would like to insure the equipment.

A letter was received from Dr. J. C. Geiger advising this department to take a precautionary measure and have an investigation of the tick vector in the Camp Mather vicinity to avoid the possibility of a quarantine of all camps in that area, should trouble arise. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent was asked to suggest to Dr. Geiger that he call together the Directors of the Oakland, Berkeley, Tuolumne County, State, and Federal Departments of Public Health for the purpose of planning an investigation of the tick vector in Tuolumne County. It was suggested that copies of the letters sent to the Oakland and Berkeley Health Departments be sent to the Recreation Departments of those cities. The Commissioners expressed their willingness to pay their proportion of the investigation expense, but do not feel they should assume the entire responsibility.

A letter was received from the Yosemite Park and Curry Company asking the Commission to renew the agreement for the saddle and pack animals at Camp Mather, for the 1935 season. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the agreement at the rates quoted in their letter of May 16, 1935. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to notify the company of the renewal.

The Commissioners were informed by the City Planning Commission of an application to rezone property adjacent to St. Mary's Park Playground from second residential to heavy industrial. Word was received that a tannery is to be constructed in this area, if rezoned. On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission instructed the Superintendent to write the City Planning Commission that in view of the enormous amount this department has expended in making St. Mary's Park Playground one of the most popular, attractive and modern playgrounds in San Francisco, that since this playground was designed to be in keeping with the high caliber of the residential district it serves, known as St. Mary's Park, and since it is strongly felt that the obnoxious odors emanating from a tannery, and itsunpleasant surroundings, would destroy their plans for an outstanding playground by spoiling its charm, and materially decreasing the attendance, that the Recreation Commission sincerely trusts the City Planning Commission will give this matter their earnest consideration,and not nullify one of the great efforts they have effectuated. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

A letter was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk, Board of Supervisors, inquiring if the Commission is interested in acquiring approximately fifty acres on the westerly slopes of Twin Peaks from the Lang Realty Company at $6000.00 per acre. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, the Commission unanimously decided to notify Mr. Dunnigan that they are not interested in this property, since it is not suitable for their purposes. The letter was ordered filed.

A communication was received from Mr. P. H. Schlesinger, secretary Clement Street Merchants' Association, recommending that the Commission lease the vacant lot running from 6th to 7th Avenue near Geary Street, for playground purposes. The letter was ordered filed, and the Secretary was instructed to reply that this property was not included in the 1935-36 budget, which has just been approved, and it will therefore be necessary to defer further consideration until next year. The Commission is not in favor of leasing property as it is disproportionately expensive.

A letter was received from Mr. Carroll F. Jacoby, Suite 1029 Hearst Building, representing Mr. P. Simone of 3414 Army Street, who requests the establishment of a recreation area in the district bounded by Army, Guerrero, 24th and 29th Streets. The letter was ordered filed, since the Superintendent had replied that our budget had been submitted to the Mayor several weeks ago, and that an item of $25,000 was included for Upper Noe Valley which location might serve his district.

The Controller advised the department that we will not be credited with the $433.92 covering cost of restoring a Camp Mather cabin which was destroyed by fire during the S.E.R.A's occupancy, since it results from a transaction in 1934. Mr. McElvaney reported the City Attorney ruled the Controller is within his rights in withholding the money.

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Letters of appreciation were received from Miss Rosalind A. Keep, Assembly Committee, Mills College, and Miss Martha A. Chickering, Supervisor Field Work in Social Economics, University of California, for the High Sierra motion pictures and address given by Mr. Clifford Nelson recently. The letters were ordered filed, and the Secretary was asked to write to Mr. Nelson indicating the Commission appreciates the fact that they were so well represented at these assemblies.

Two letters were received, one from Brother Raymond of Sacred Heart College, and the other from Mr. Walter C. Lester, San Francisco Public Schools, thanking the Commission for the use of its baseball facilities, and mentioning the splendid cooperation of Mr. Maurice Sweeney, and the playground directors. The letters were ordered filed.

Two letters of appreciation for the use of the Sigmund Stern Grove were received, one from Mrs. E. H. Berryman of the Garden Club of St. Francis Wood, and the other from Miss Ivy James, Corresponding Secretary, Epworth League Alliance. The letters were ordered filed.

A communication was received from Miss Genevieve Carroll, Principal Yerba Buena School, thanking the Commission for permitting the school to use the Funston Community Center for the presentation of their Spring Festival. The letter was ordered filed.

The Superintendent reported the following transactions were approved by her since last Commission meeting:

Allotments from Current Appropriations:

No. 64	Equipment	$516.70	Auto andDesk
No. 67	Fees and Compensation	$400.00	Pianists - May
No. 71	Fees and Compensation	$345.00	Pianists - June

Allotments From Reserves:

No. 66	Contractual	$380.42	Fencing, James Rolph Jr. Playground
No. 69	Contractual	$2000.00	Operating Charges, June

Fund Transfers, to absorb surplus:

No. 68	From Auto Hire	to Contractual	$ 5.50
No. 70	From Fees	to Contractual	$194.00

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the Superintendent's action. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Berendsen.

The Superintendent reported that there was only sufficient money available to erect one hundred feet of the Potrero Avenue fence on the James Rolph Jr. Playground. Mr. Berendsen whereupon made a motion which was seconded by Mr. McLaren that the Commission finish the Potrero Avenue fence at the James Rolph Jr. Playground with the very first money that is received. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Berendsen suggested that as much office space as possible be provided in the little theatre. The Superintendent reported Mr. Merchant will present plans of the building at the next Commission meeting.

The Superintendent reported several times recently she had been asked on a moment's notice to appear before the Board of Supervisors concerning this department's Budget, and therefore did not have time to inform the Commissioners. The concensus of opinion of the Commission was that the Superintendent is authorized to inform the Supervisors in future, whenever budget matters are to be discussed, that she has been instructed to notify the Commissioners so they may be present, if they are free to attend, otherwise she may attend alone.

The Superintendent reported that the Essex Sedan of Mrs. M. V. Foster, Supervisor of Music, had been damaged to the extent of $29.65 by a falling tree at Sigmund Stern Grove on the afternoon of May 11, 1935, at the Annual Spring Festival at which time Mrs. Foster was engaged in the performance of her duties as Supervisor of Music, and recommended that the cost of repairs be borne by the Department.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, it was unanimously resolved that Mrs. Foster be reimbursed for damage to her car and the Superintendent was authorized to take whatever steps may be necessary to effect payment. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported that it would be extremely advisable to have working plans and specifications for the proposed buildings and improvements on the James Rolph Jr. Playground, such preliminary work to cost in the neighborhood of $3000.00, so construction work can start immediately S.E.R.A. funds are available.

The Controller advises that there is the possibility of the Controller receiving additional funds from reserves set up in anticipation of tax delinquency, but that it is impossible to determine at this time just what, if any, additional funds would become available.

On motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, it was unanimously resolved that the Superintendent be, and she is hereby authorized to use such additional funds for the purpose of preliminary surveys, plans and specifications of the Rolph Improvements up to but not exceeding $3000.00 without the further knowledge and approval of this Commission, provided that if no such funds become available prior to June 30, the matter will again be brought before the Commission for consideration. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Berendsen, Mr. McLaren.

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San Francisco, June 5, 1935.

The Superintendent reported on the Budget as follows: $72,475.00 for improvements were eliminated; $221,293 for construction work was transferred to the S.E.R.A. program and approved. The Mayor and Mr. Clyde Healy have indicated that work on the Glen Park Community Center, and 38th and Fulton Field House is to start before July 1, 1935.

The 1935-1936 Budget as it stands now, is as follows:

Revenue 7¢ on present Tax Rolls			$514,507.00
Revenue 7¢ on Utility Rolls			52,500.00
Estimated Departmental Revenue (Camp,etc.)			34,000.00
Added by Supervisors, for land			73,500.00
Total Available Funds			$674,507.00
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Operation			
Payrolls	$344,235.00		
Contractual	54,974.00		
Materials, Supplies	54,798.00		
Equipment	7,500.00		
Fixed Charges	20,000.00		
Final Payment on Rossi	27,000.00	$508,507.00	
Land		$166,000.00	$674,507.00

Mr. McLaren suggested that the department secure information about all moneys available from tax sources, and see if we can secure additional money to which we are entitled.

Mr. Clyde Healy informed the Superintendent that the approximate $4,000,000 Recreation S.E.R.A. Budget has been approved by the San Francisco authorities, and is now to be confirmed by the officials in Washington.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda Young Conway
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. June 19, 1935.

Notices were sent out for a regular meeting of the Recreation Commission this day at 2 P.M.

At the request of the Chairman, since there were no matters of major importance to come up for consideration, the meeting was postponed.

Veda Young Conning
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. July 3, 1935

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove

Absent: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

M I N U T E S

This being a minority meeting, all action taken is subject to ratification at the next regular meeting at which there is a quorum.

Minutes of the meeting of June 5th were read and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Mrs. W. E. Appleton and family commenting on their vacation at Camp Mather, expressing appreciation of the Camp and commending the personnel.

From the Board of Education withdrawing their request that the Recreation Department vacate the school lot at 25th & Mission (Dolores Horseshoe Links).

From Potrero Boosters & Merchants Association enclosing petition for playground on property at 21st, 22d, Mississippi and Texas Streets, and the Superintendent's reply calling attention to Jackson Playground at 17th & Carolina, and to proposed development of Potrero Hill Playground, 22d & Arkansas.

From Department of Public Health relative to tick fever in the vicinity of Camp Mather advising of Dr. Geiger's absence in the East. Matter held in abeyance pending his return.

From Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, advising that in his opinion property adjacent to St. Mary's Playground had not been damaged by construction of the playground and recommending that the Department deny any liability in the matter. The Secretary was instructed to so inform the complainant, Mr. Murray Norton, in response to his letter of May 15th.

From Mr. F. A. Tissier, Manager, Tenth Annual Food Show, inviting the Recreation Department to participate in the Annual Food Show to be held in the Civic Auditorium October 5th to 12th, 1935, and to provide a playground exhibit as has been done in prior years.

The Superintendent advised that the department derives considerable benefit from such exhibits and recommended that it be provided again this year. Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, the Superintendent was authorized to accept the invitation and make whatever arrangements may be necessary to provide a suitable exhibit.

Copy of letter from Mr. Worden, Director of Public Works, to Mr. Cleary, Chief Administrative Officer, approving the transfer to the Recreation Department of Lot 27, Block 1141, for use in connection with the development of the Angelo J. Rossi Playground.

The Superintendent advised that the Mayor had given his sanction to this transfer and the matter will be presented to the Board of Supervisors for official approval.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

> WHEREAS, owing to the location of Camp Mather and difficulties of transportation, it is necessary to make certain local purchases of foodstuff, produce, meat, dairy products, etc., as well as emergency supplies from time to time;
>
> BE IT RESOLVED that the Camp Manager is hereby authorized to make such purchases from local firms in Groveland, Stockton, Sonora and other towns in the vicinity as his judgment and the necessities of camp operation may dictate, subject to all regulations prescribed by the Controller and the Purchaser of Supplies.

The Superintendent reported the following financial transactions since the last meeting:

Transfer of Funds

#72	from Reserve Account	to Temporary Salaries	$ 1,670.49
#73	" " "	" Wages	1,389.46
#74	" Auto Hire	" Contractual	15.00
#75	" Fees	" Permanent Salaries	21.61

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, these transactions were unanimously approved.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

The Superintendent reviewed correspondence relative to request of the Glen Park Community Club for the use of Glen Park Playground and the Municipal Band for its annual picnic. Miss Randall had avised them that there could be no political activity or solicitation of funds on city playgrounds.

Miss Mosgrove pointed out that considerable difficulty had been experienced on this score in times past and recommended that a definite policy be established to govern the use of playgrounds by outside groups, to embrace the following: Any dedicatory ceremonies in connection with the opening of new playgrounds or units must be under the sponsorship or at the direction of the Recreation Commission. Any groups using playgrounds for public ceremonies of any nature must (a) submit to the Recreation Commission in advance a full and complete program of the event, giving the nature or scope of program numbers or speeches; (b) no part of such activities, whether programmed or not, shall have the slightest political significance; (c) there shall be no solicitation by outside organizations of funds for any purpose, nor collection of voluntary contributions; (d) the Recreation Commission is to be the sole judge of the propriety of any program or activity on playgrounds or in units of the Department.

It was unanimously voted that the above be substantially the fixed policy of the department in all such matters.

The Superintendent reported she had been advised of a communication from the Municipal Civil Service Association to the Mayor protesting the use of S.E.R.A. workers as playground directors during the summer vacation season and criticizing the Recreation Department.

Miss Randall explained that where playgrounds have two regular directors and one is away a worker from the S.E.R.A. is used to fill the vacancy so that at least one regular department employee is always on duty. All of the available men under this classification on Civil Service lists are now employed and of the five women on present lists two will be used on Sutro and Douglass Schoolyards, leaving only three about which there could be a question. The Superintendent was requested to explain the situation in detail to the Mayor.

Miss Randall advised that the annual convention of the National Recreation Association will be held in Chicago September 30th to October 4th and that she had been requested to lead the discussion on "Girls' and Women's Club Activity", also to give a paper on "Successful Experiments in Crime Prevention through Recreation." The Superintendent felt it expedient to have representation of the department at the convention and suggested that possibly Miss McGreevy and Mr. Linares could act as delegates since they are directly concerned with the topics assigned.

Mrs. Stern felt that the Superintendent should represent the Department, particularly in view of the proposed plans for the Bay Exposition in San Francisco in 1938 and the necessity for full co-operation of the National group in such plans.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted that Miss Randall, Superintendent, and Mr. Linares, Supervisor of Athletics, be delegated to represent the Department at the national convention in Chicago.

Miss Randall reported that considerable pressure is being brought to bear for the completion of fencing at James Rolph, Jr. Playground and that steps are being taken to complete the work immediately, pursuant to previous authorization by the Commission.

Miss Randall read to the Commission a summary of the geological report by Mr. Hyde Forbes on the China Beach property, giving his conclusions and recommendations. The report contained considerable technical detail but the gist of the recommendation was for proper drainage of the area, and that no heavy loads or extra fill be placed on the upper slopes and landscaping confined to native growths about as at present; further, that certain soil bearing tests be made to determine just what loads might safely be imposed upon given areas of the property.

Mr. Merchant advised that carrying out such recommendations would not interfere with major plans already determined for the development of this property. Mr. Merchant further advised that the original authorization to Mr. Forbes would be sufficient to conclude the necessary tests and that such data would be necessary in any event to secure the approval of any part of the project undertaken with Federal funds.

The Superintendent presented also a report from the Illumination Department of Stanford University of its survey of playground floodlight equipment on three playgrounds, in which it was stated that the present lighting was inadequate, the units inefficient and the maintenance very poor. They recommended the installation of high efficiency lighting units by competent engineers; establishment of proper levels of illumination and a proper schedule of maintenance. The report was ordered filed for further study and consideration.

Miss Randall advised of a very successful first meeting of the newly organized Industrial Division of the Recreation Department. Forty-three firms were represented, and Mr. Turner of the Associated Oil Company was elected President; Mr. Ward of the Southern Pacific, Vice-President; Mr. Schillig of the Hibernia Bank, Treasurer; and Miss Sands of Livingston's, Secretary. All were most enthusiastic and this particular activity promises much for the future.

The Superintendent stated that some pressure is being brought to bear upon the Mayor in connection with real estate purchases, funds for which are provided in the 1935-36 budget. It was suggested that all such inquiries be answered by stating that plans are being formulated just as rapidly as possible and that purchase transactions will be consummated with the least possible delay.

Miss Randall also mentioned the complaint of a Mr. Berry to the Mayor concerning dust in the vicinity of the 24th & Douglass Playground and

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stated that work on this project will go forward just as soon as funds are available.

The Superintendent was authorized to open Sutro and Douglass Schoolyards and place directors in charge whenever it may be found most convenient.

Mr. Merchant presented two drawings in color of the proposed building improvements for Rossi Playground; also revised drawings of the proposed layout of the Crocker-Amazon field.

There being no further business, upon motion the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

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The regular Commission Meeting which was to be held today was postponed until the next regular meeting date, August 7, 1935.

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The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 PM in Room 370 City Hall with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J.C.Berendsen
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of July 3d were read and, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was read from Mr. A.W.Scott, Jr., representing owners of the Francisco Heights property (the old Odd Fellows Cemetery tract) suggesting that this Commission exercise its option to take title to the remaining parcels comprising the Angelo J. Rossi Playground and make final payment at this time instead of in December, pointing out the desirability of consummating the transaction now to facilitate arrangement of deeds and dedication of streets, etc., also the fact that several hundred dollars in interest charges will be saved to the department.

Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, fixed the expense of final payment at August 15th, 1935, as follows:

Final payment on land.	$23 448.00
Interest at 5%, June 29. 1933 to August 15, 1935	2 494.61
Acquisition expense.	50.00
Balance on title policy. . . .	3.00
# 1935-36 taxes (Estimated). . .	500.00
	$26 495.61

Tax item may possibly be cancelled after deed to City is recorded.

Miss Randall pointed out that of the $27 000. included in the budget and appropriated for this purchase, the Controller had set aside as a delinquency reserve $1 620., so that there is available only $25 380., or $1 115.61 less than required. She further stated that this amount could not be absorbed from operating funds of the department.

After some discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and it was unanimously resolved that this Commission recommend and approve consummation of the Rossi Playground purchase at this time, provided funds can be made available for payment in full, and the Superintendent was requested to take the matter up with the Controller. She was authorized to follow the matter to conclusion under conditions stated above.

In this connection Miss Randall advised the Commission that similar reserves for tax delinquencies (approximately 6%) had been set up against amounts appropriated for other land purchases, also that certain acquisition expense would be incurred (tentatively estimated at 6%), so that amounts for land purchase would be considerably less than appropriated. She again pointed out that no funds from operating accounts would be available to supplement funds for real estate.

Mr. Phillips and Mr. Riordan from the Real Estate Department were present at the meeting, and in answer to a question from Mr. Berendsen relative to cost of acquiring real estate, Mr. Phillips stated that 6% was considerably less than the acquisition cost in other cities, however, that the cost of acquiring contemplated playground sites would be much lower than that figure, it being impossible of course to determine until sites were actually selected or tentatively determined, just what the actual cost would be.

Miss Randall suggested an inspection trip to look over proposed playground sites for which money has been appropriated, and Wednesday, August 14th at 2:00 PM was declared a satisfactory time for such inspection. The Secretary was instructed to notify the Commissioners in advance of this inspection trip.

Copy of letter from Mr. Phillips to theBoard of Supervisors relative to exchange of lands at James Rolph Playground was read and ordered filed. TheBoard of Supervisors gave final passage on July 29th to Bill No. 771, Ordinance 12.1743l authorizing this exchange and the same will become effective on August 8th.

A communication from Mr. Phillips was read concerning the closing of 25th Avenue adjoining SigmundStern Grove, also copy of letter from the Parkside Realty Company advising that they would give the City a quitclaim deed to a certain portion of the avenue when closed. Mr. Phillips explained in detail the circumstances in connection with this transaction and upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously voted that the street be closed and the Superintendent was authorized to request the Director of Public Works to start proceedings to that end.

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A letter was read from Mr. Phillips enclosing draft of a resolution relative to purchase of property at 9th and Ortega, as follows:

"RESOLVED, that the City and County of San Francisco accept a deed from JOHN J. BURKE, et ux, to all of Lot 13, Assessor's Block 2126, San Francisco, located at 9th & Ortega, required for playground purposes, and that the sum of $2 000.00 be paid for said land from Appropriation No. 513.600.05"

Miss Randall called attention to the fact that in order to take advantage of W.P.A. assistance it will be necessary to hold title to the entire property to be acquired and urged that this be done as soon as possible.

Mr. Phillips advised that this lot immediately adjoins present department property at this location and felt the purchase a most desirable one as a first step in the acquisition of whatever additional land may be necessary. After some discussion, upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted to approve the purchase of this lot from Mr. Burke and wife for the sum of $2000.00 with the understanding that steps would be taken when deemed expedient to acquire other property for this unit.

A card from the Board of Supervisors was read giving notification of a meeting at 3:00 PM on Friday, August 8th, at which will be considered the gift to the City of the Huddard property in San Mateo County.

Miss Randall advised that she had inspected this property and found it admirably suited to purposes of the department. Mr. Phillips explained in some detail the history of the property and cautioned that some difficulty might be experienced from the standpoint of water supply.

Mrs. Stern suggested that it would be desirable for as many of the Commissioners as possible to attend the Board of Supervisors meeting on Friday. It was felt also that the Commission should go on record as favoring the management and jurisdiction of this property, provided however that a satisfactory solution be found for the water situation without imposing further financial burdens on the department.

A communication was read from the Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association urging early selection of a playground site for that district and mentioning as their preference two locations, as follows:

Site #1 - Block bounded on the north by Day St., west by Sanchez, south by 30th St., and east by Church St.

Site #2 - Block bounded on the north by 27th St., west by Church St., south by Duncan St., and east by the Southern Pacific right-of-way.

It was decided to hold the matter in abeyance until the inspection of playground sites on Wednesday the 14th, after which the Superintendent will communicate with the Association.

A letter from the Glen Park Community Club was read, referring again to proposed Ground Breaking Exercises in connection with new field House, suggesting that they be allowed to sponsor the occasion. Miss Mosgrove called attention to regulations heretofore adopted for the use of playgrounds and facilities of the department and suggested they be advised that any program for this occasion would be conducted by the department, however, that the co-operation and support of all clubs and interests in the community would be most welcome.

A Communication was read from the three Directors-at-large, Messrs. Ottawa, Wynns and Lorena, requesting that they be permitted to attend the National Recreation Convention in Chicago at the Department's expense, pointing out as their reason the fact that considerable discussion would be devoted to problems with which they are dealing in their work and they felt that their attendance should be extremely helpful to the department since they would get much valuable information.

Miss Randall informed the Commission that she had discussed the matter with these gentlemen prior to the receipt of their letter. She felt that while it would be extremely desirable to have them attend the conference, she likewise felt that other staff members too would derive a great benefit from the conference if it were possible for them to attend, and that budget provision had been made for the expense of only two delegates.

Mr. Berendsen felt that the matter should be very carefully considered and that such contacts were a great stimulus to enthusiasm. He suggested the possibility of authorizing expense for one of the three to make the trip.

Miss Mosgrove pointed out that Mr. Linares had followed the work of prevention of juvenile delinquency and crime prevention through recreation since its very inception in the department; that he could ably present this phase of the work at the convention and

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would bring back for consideration of other staff members all material and information of value to the work here.

After further discussion it was decided that only the two delegates heretofore selected would represent the department at the coming National Convention.

Pursuant to authorization by the Commission at meeting of July 3d, Miss Josephine D. Randall, Superintendent, and Mr. J. Linares, Supervisor of Athletics, will represent the Commission at the annual convention of the National Recreation Association in Chicago, September 30th to October 4th.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that all expense incident to this trip be borne by the department and paid from its current funds. The Secretary was instructed to refer the matter to the City Attorney for preparation of the necessary ordinance by the Board of Supervisors giving official sanction to this trip and payment of expense incident thereto.

There was presented for a determination of policy expense accounts for official trip of inspection to Camp Mather June 28th to July 1st.

After some discussion, upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously resolved that only expense of the Commissioners would be borne by the department and that other parties accompanying them would be upon the basis of paid guests.

The Superintendent, pursuant to advertised proposal for fencing at James Rolph Playground, placed before the Commission eight bids received, in the identical amount of $1187.35

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, contract for this fencing was awarded to Michel & Pfeffer Iron Works, Inc. and Improvement Resolution No. 1 covering the same officially approved.

TheCommission was advised by the Superintendent that contract with Mr. Wm. G. Merchant, Consulting Architect, expires on September 6, 1935, MissRandall reviewed the progress that had been made under the existing arrangement, stating that the service rendered had been highly satisfactory, and recommended that the contract be renewed for the ensuing twelve months, particularly since a great deal of preliminary planning is necessary in connection with the proposed P.W.A. program for this department.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously voted that theSuperintendent's recommendation be approved and she was authorized to negotiate a renewal of the contract with Mr. Merchant for the ensuing twelve months upon the same terms and conditions, namely, compensation not to exceed $4800.00 per annum.

It was further resolved that a vote of commendation and thanks be tendered Mr. Merchant for his valuable work in behalf of the department.

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From the Telegraph Hill Neighborhood Association expressing appreciation for use of the SiegmundStern Grove by their Senior Club Groups.

From Miss Alice Cummings urging early selection of a playground site in Corona Heights.

Miss Randall again recommended that the position of Chief Clerk at $375.00 per month be established at this time. The classification to accomodate this position was set up by theCivil Service Commission in 1933 and Miss Randall felt it very necessary that the change be made as early as possible for the good of the department.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, it was unanimously resolved that the Superintendent be authorized and directed to take whatever steps may be necessary to effect this change and to follow the same to conclusion.

Miss Randall presented a detail report of the financial condition of the department. She read two communications from the Controller relative to overdrawn appropriations for the fiscal year just ended and gave the reasons therefor, particularly increased camp attendance and expense and underestimation of water expense for the months of May and June.

The Superintendent also went over budget matters for the current year and explained that a number of repairs and improvements were most necessary but that no funds were available as at present budgeted for operating purposes.

Principal items include:

Hamilton ($2000.00 estimated to repair old fence which would thereafter cost $100.00 per year to maintain)	Fencing	$4200.00
Helen Wills	Paving, etc.	6160.00
Hayes Valley	Heating	540.00
Hayward	Floodlight contactor	157.00
Bernal Center	Renew floors	63.00
Jackson	Renew floors	36.00
Excelsior	Fence repairs	65.00

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Swimming Pools	New chlorinator and other equipment	
Richmond Annex	Fencing	6345.00
Mission	Fencing	1000.00
Corporation Yard	Plumbing and lighting	2500.00
Stern Grove	Electrical repairs	1500.00
		500.00

Miss Randall advised that she had received a detailed report from the Medical Attendant at Camp Mather of the pollen sickness there. She stated also a letter had been received from Dr. Geiger of the Board of Health criticizing this department somewhat for not having reported this condition to his department. This will hereafter be done.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Clifford Nelson had been asked to do some picture work on his own time for the Yosemite Park & Curry Company in Yosemite Valley and that she had given her sanction. She explained further that there was the possibility of losing Mr. Nelson's services unless some plan can be worked out to continue with the Visual Education work as was once contemplated. Miss Randall felt that the Visual Education work would be extremely valuable to the department in presenting our recreational activities at the 1939 Bay Bridge Exposition in San Francisco. Those present were inclined to agree with Miss Randall's viewpoint, however, Mrs. Stern counseled careful consideration in the selection of a man to head the work at Hayes Valley Center. It was unanimously voted, after motion duly made and seconded, that the matter be left in the Superintendent's hands with authority to act as she deems most expedient.

Miss Randall recommended the appointment of a fourth director-at-large at this time to work in the newly established Excelsior District and recommended that Mr. Edwin Murphy be given the post. Mr. Berendsen felt that the time was inopportune to add to the present staff and suggested that one of the present playground directors in the district might absorb some if not all of the additional duties. Miss Mosgrove pointed out that this additional director-at-large had been provided for in plans for the city-wide prevention work and that six such directors-at-large would ultimately be needed to properly conduct the work. She felt that definite strides forward are being made in this work which is of great value to the department. After some further discussion the matter was held in abeyance for the time being.

Miss Randall brought up for a decision the question of whether or not the Boys' Choir under direction of Mrs. Moore should be increased from approximately 25 members at present to a maximum of 50 members. After some discussion it was decided to continue as at present.

The Superintendent reported that under ruling of the Civil Service Commission Mr. Pack would be eligible for return to duty in this department on August 14th. She stated that the department does not require Mr. Pack's services since all maintenance is being ably taken care of by the various foremen and the Supervisor of Grounds and that drafting work, estimates and inspection are being satisfactorily followed by Mr. Harman.

Miss Randall reported the coming conference of the Western Division of the National Recreation Association at San Jose on September 14th and urged as many as possible to be present on that occasion.

The Superintendent mentioned that Mr. Heller had advised her that the building on Buchanan Street across from the fire station in Hayes Valley could now be available for center activities in that district, however, he was sure the rental would be at least twice as great as the rental on the present Hayes Valley Center. It was decided that no change be made at the present but that the matter would be given consideration prior to budget time next year.

MissRandall reported a conference with the Mayor in connection with financing the activities of the Coordinating Council, the cost of which had been reduced to around $3000.00 per year. She stated that he was favorably disposed and would investigate the possibilities. Miss Randall was hopeful that some mutually satisfactory plan of financing might be worked out.

A progress report of P.W.A. project work and preliminary plans was read by theSuperintendent and the Secretary instructed, as a matter of record, to spread the same in full upon the minutes:

"P.W.A. PROJECT WORK STATUS REPORT

Crocker Amazon
- Sprinkler system - working drawings completed.
- Drainage - partly completed.
- Bleachers - construction and architectural drawings completed sufficient for estimates. Estimates made.
- Lighting layouts for all fields being developed.
- Landscape plans completed.

Rossi
- Little Theater and Community Center - Preliminary drawings for estimating purposes completed. Estimate completed.
- New Horseshoe courts - Drawings partly completed. Estimate completed.
- Sprinkler system - Completed for estimating purposes.

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St.Mary's
- Field house blocked out for estimating purposes.
- All other drawings for the general layout of field completed.

Potrero
- Field house blocked out for estimating purposes.
- All other drawings for the general layout of field completed.

Glen Park
- Field house has been estimated. Working drawings completed.

Father Crowley
- Working on rough layout for estimating purposes.

Ingleside
- Preliminary drawings for football field, soccer field, tennis courts and general ground layout partly completed for estimating purposes.
- Sprinkler system being worked out for this layout for estimating purposes.
- Building completed sufficient for estimating.
- Lighting system and tennis courts completed for estimating.

SigmundStern Grove
- Upper portion along Sloat Boulevard - drawings being made for bowling green, tennis courts and golf putting greens and small comfort station. Rough layout for estimating purposes.
- Tentative drawings for SigmundStern lower area and stage.
- A disappearing curtain and shell with dressing room under stage have been roughed out for estimating purposes only.

24th and Douglass
- Complete drawings have been made for this ground and estimates made.

30th and California
- Complete drawings have been made for this ground and estimates made.

38th andFulton
- Building under construction.
- Frame partly up and being constructed by S.E.R.A. labor, and materials furnished by them in accordance with plans submitted by us.

27th and Douglass
- Upper terrace being developed.

Plans for Punch and Judy Little Theatre on wheels completed.

China Beach
- Borings and drainage survey completed.

Gilman
- Drawings being developed for bath house and boating pier.

Bernal
- Rock faced walls completed except bonding to old wall which is at present being worked upon.
- Upper terrace ready for loam and seeding.
- Horseshoe links completed.

Dolores
- Horseshoe links completed. "

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There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Acting Secretary

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San Francisco, August 21, 1935

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 P.M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of August 7th were read and, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Rear Admiral E. H. Campbell of the Twelfth Naval District, expressing appreciation of the department's co-operation in use of playground facilities by the men of the fleet on their last visit.

From Richard R. Perkins of the Army and Navy Y.M.C.A. likewise commenting on recreation for sailors of the fleet.

From the National Recreation Association, Mr. Weaver Pangborn, Director of Publicity, requesting co-operation in matters of publicity at the forthcoming annual convention in Chicago.

Mr. Wm. G. Merchant, Consulting Architect, presented preliminary plans of several proposed buildings and structures, including Little Theatre unit at Angelo J. Rossi Playground; Club House and Gymnasium at St. Mary's and Gymnasiums and Pool at Father Crowley, all of which were gone over with interest.

Mr. Merchant reviewed briefly the work that had been accomplished by the S.E.R.A. and plans for the transition to W.P.A.

Mr. Rattray, Administrative Head of the S.E.R.A. Recreation Project, now drawing to a close to make way for the W.P.A. program, came before the meeting and was commended for the splendid work accomplished for the department under his regime. Mr. Rattray expressed his appreciation and stated that while it was hoped the W.P.A. program would get started within a short time and plans were being made toward that end, it is largely problematical as to just when the work would go forward.

Improvement Resolution No. 4, covering the purchase of a Kardex File Unit for stores and inventory records at cost of $101.75 was presented for approval.

Upon motion of Mr. Berendsen, seconded by Mr. McLaren, this purchase was authorized.

The Superintendent reported the following financial transactions since July 1st:

FUND TRANSFERS AND ALLOTMENTS

Allotments:

#1	513.102.00	Temporary Salaries	July		3,200.00
#2	513.400.00	Equipment	"		200.00
#3	513.106.00	Fees - Pianists	"		300.00
#4	513.102.00	Temporary Salaries	Supp.		401.49
#7	513.200.00	Fencing James Rolph			1,127.35
#8	513.300.00	Athletic Supplies			6,000.13
#9	513.103.00	Wages - Supplemental	July		1,425.00
#10	513.600.03	Final payment - Rossi			28,425.61
#11	513.300.00	Sand and tan bark			1,100.00
#12	513.600.05	Lot at 9th & Ortega			2,000.00
#13	513.102.00	Temporary Salaries	Aug.		3,025.00

Transfers:

#4	From Truck Hire to Auto Hire		1,468.44

Miss Kendall stated that some concern had been felt over water bills of the department and that she had secured information concerning the bills for park areas of sizes comparable to our playgrounds. The figures indicated that our use of water was not excessive in comparison.

The Superintendent suggested inviting the Controller to be present at some future Commission meeting so that he might review the requirements of his department and supply other financial data. Those present felt that this would be a desirable procedure.

The question of closing the street between the Visitacion Valley Playground and the Visitacion Valley School was brought up for discussion. All felt that this would be a desirable thing to do and Dr. Lee explained that

it would be a matter of the Recreation Department extending its turfed area to the property line of the school, or of the Board of Education extending its paved area to the playground property line. Miss Mosgrove suggested that provision be made for the space requirements of tennis, volley ball or basketball courts and that the turfed area be partially extended to join the children's area on one side of the school lot. It was felt that an equitable arrangement of space could readily be worked out and upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Berendsen, it was unanimously resolved that the Recreation Department and the Board of Education jointly request the closing of this street. The Secretary was instructed to secure the official sanction of the Board of Education and thereafter institute proceedings through the Board of Works to have the street closed.

Mr. Riordon of the Real Estate Department reported that he had just returned from Camp Mather and spoke most highly of the camp facilities, service and personnel.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Acting Secretary

San Francisco, September 4, 1935

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 P.M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Mr. J. C. Berendsen presiding.

Present: Mr. J. C. Berendsen
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

Minutes of the meeting of August 21st were, upon motion duly made and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Michel & Pfeffer Iron Works, Inc., advising that mistake in posts furnished for the James Rolph, Jr. Playground fence would be rectified without expense to the department.

From Mr. Wm. Penn Humphreys commenting on Camp Mather and suggesting the construction of an assembly room. Miss Mosgrove voiced opposition to any improvements of this type at Camp, feeling that it would not be in keeping with the purpose of Camp Mather or the present schedule of rates, and those present concurred in this opinion. Secretary was instructed to acknowledge Mr. Humphrey's letter and thank him for his interest and suggestion.

From Evening High Schools Unit of the Parent Teacher Association requesting use of Sigmund Stern Grove without charge on Sunday, October 6th, for a general picnic of that group, stating it was their purpose to employ a caterer and use receipts from the picnic to defray expenses.

Miss Randall advised that it had been the policy of the Department with respect to the Grove to permit its use free only when no general admission is charged or revenue produced, otherwise to require a regular lease, the minimum charge for which is $50.00, and more for larger groups or events. Those present were averse to making any exception to this policy from the standpoint of establishing a precedent. Secretary was instructed to so advise the Parent Teacher Association.

From Bay View Civic Club recommending for playground purposes in that district the site on Mendell Street between Oakdale and Newcomb Avenues in the same block with the Burnett School.

The matter was given some discussion and Miss Randall advised that in the past the policy had been to acquire property adjoining schools and felt this a desirable procedure for many reasons. She further advised that the Director of Property had been asked to make an appraisal of the available sites in that vicinity but had not yet received a report. The Bay View Civic Club will be so advised.

The Superintendent reported the following financial transactions since the last meeting:

Allotment Requests:

#14 Materials & Supplies	-	Athletic supplies	$ 2,200.00
#15 Contractual Services	-	Supplemental	4,500.00
#16 Equipment	-	Miscellaneous	300.00
#17 Wages	-	Supplemental - Aug.	1,390.00

Upon motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, these transactions were unanimously approved.

Dr. Lee, reporting on the matter of closing the street between the school and playground in Visitacion Valley, advised that he had visited the location in company with Miss Randall, Mr. Hardy and Mr. Merchant, and that it had been tentatively agreed to save only a portion of the sixty-six-foot street space between the two properties, approximately one half, and fill in the balance to a level, extending the turfed area and transferring the children's apparatus to provide for maximum usage by both departments. Ample provision will be made for the necessary courts. This general plan had the approval of those present and details will be worked out when the street is finally closed.

Miss Randall presented a plan of property adjoining Sigmund Stern Grove, being the corner situated at 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard, stating the owner desired to exchange it if possible for other city property of equal value or even less. She stated the department now has a sixteen-foot right-of-way through this property for entrance into the Grove; further that the only other city property available for such exchange was owned by the Board of Education. Those present felt it desirable to acquire this property, particularly for purposes of a convenient and safe entrance to the Grove and after some discussion the Superintendent was instructed to present the matter to the Board of Education, after which a decision in the matter may be reached.

The Superintendent advised that efforts were being made to get estimates for proposed W.P.A. projects in shape for presentation prior to September 12th which, it is understood, is the dead line, and that in the meantime lump sum estimates will be given in an endeavor to make provision for projects of this department.

Miss Randall suggested that all administrative matters be taken up through the Superintendent rather than with individual staff members and all present were in full accord with this policy.

The Superintendent advised that following the recent inspection of proposed playground sites for which provision is made in the current budget, she had written the Director of Property under date of August 16th, as follows:

"Funds were provided in our 1935-36 budget for the following playground sites:

1. - Corona Heights	$25,000	less $1,500 -	$23,500 -	less your fee	
2. - Eureka Valley	25,000	" " -	23,500 -	" "	"
3. - Grattan School Dist.	25,000	" " -	23,500 -	" "	"
4. - Sunset	25,000	" " -	23,500 -	" "	"
5. - Upper Noe Valley	25,000	" " -	23,500 -	" "	"
6. - Longfellow School District	20,000	" 1,200 -	18,800 -	" "	"
7. - Bay View	15,000	" 900 -	14,100 -	" "	"
8. - 9th and Ortega	6,000	" 360 -	5,640 -	" "	"

Will you please start the necessary procedure at your earliest convenience for the purchase of the above areas at the following locations:

Corona Heights

A minimum of 12 acres on two flat areas overlooking Market Street.

Eureka Valley

The block across from the school at 18th and Collingwood Sts.

Grattan School District

Stanyan, Shrader, Alma, Rivoli.

Sunset

The block which can be obtained for the best price.
1. - 28th, 29th Aves., L and M. Sts., or
2. - 29th, 30th Aves., N and O Sts., or
3. - 33rd, 34th Aves., L and M. Sts.

Upper Noe Valley

1. - Day, Sanchez, 30th, Church, or
2. - Day, Noe, 29th, Hillside.

Longfellow School District

Land adjoining school.

Bay View

1. - 3rd (leaving off frontage on 3rd), Kirkwood, Wendell, McKinnon, or
2. - Land adjoining School, Wendell, Newcomb and Oakdale

9th and Ortega

All of unimproved land.

When the appraisals are made will you please report to the Recreation Commission for final decision."

Upon receipt of Mr. Phillips' reply the matter will be presented for further discussion by this Commission.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Acting Secretary

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. J. C. Sorensen
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

M I N U T E S

Upon motion duly made and seconded, minutes of the meeting of September 4th were read, corrected and approved.

A letter was read from the Director of Property enclosing draft of resolution covering the acquisition of Lot 12-A, Block 2126 at 9th & Ortega, from the estate of Carl G. Larsen for consideration of $4,000.00, this being the second parcel to be acquired at this location.

The Superintendent explained that the total cost of the property at 9th & Ortega would slightly exceed the appropriation:

Appropriated		$ 6,000.00
Tax delinquency reserve 6%		360.00
		5,640.00
Burke property	$ 2,000.00	
Larsen property	4,000.00	
Title premiums	60.00	
Acquisition expense	100.00	6,160.00
Deficit		520.00

Miss Randall stated that this property is admirably suited to purposes of the department and that the purchase was most advantageous at price offered, however that operating funds of the department would not permit absorption of this deficit for land purchase.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Sorensen, it was unanimously resolved that the Commission approve this purchase and the Superintendent was instructed to place the matter before the Controller and request an allotment sufficient to consummate the transaction.

Mr. Merchant, Consulting Architect, laid before the commission a set of tentative plans for the coming Bay Bridge Exposition in 1939, setting out particularly the recreational phases of the exposition. The plans were gone over with a great deal of interest and Mr. Merchant was commended for the thoroughness with which interests of the department had been represented.

Miss Randall read the letter that had been sent to President Roosevelt concerning plans for a recreation theme in the 1939 Exposition in connection with the national youth movement and advised she had received a reply from Mr. Corson, Assistant Director of the National Youth Administration.

The Superintendent reported the following financial transactions since the last meeting.

Allotment Requests

#18 Temporary Salaries	Supplementing August		$ 216.50
#19 Wages	"	"	157.57
#20 Oil and Gas - City Cars	last quarter		300.00
#22 Temporary Salaries	Month of September		2,295.00
#23 Fees - Pianists	" "	"	500.00

Fund Transfers

#21 From Permanent to Temporary Salaries - Adjustment 10,155.08

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the above transactions were unanimously approved.

Miss Randall advised she had had a conference with Mr. Farrington of the National Park Department in which he inquired if the Department would be interested in assuming control of some 400 acres of national park lands in Mendocino County about 165 miles from San Francisco. After some discussion the Commission went on record as favoring such a plan if control of the property could be secured under suitable conditions and without burdening the Department with large additional expense. It was thought, in the event of such an arrangement, that the property would become self supporting in much the same manner as Camp Mather.

The Superintendent advised that Mr. Clifford Nelson, Supervisor of Visual Education, had the opportunity of making some additional pictures in Yosemite with co-operation of Mr. Harwell of the Park Curry Company consuming about a week's time, and also would like to spend a week in Hollywood in connection with picture work, in which he would have the aid of representatives of the Eastman Company. Miss Randall thought this work would be extremely helpful to the department and that there would be no expense other than Mr. Nelson's time. Those present agreed with the Superintendent and authorized her to allow the time for these trips.

Miss Randall reported an inspection of the department and some of the playgrounds and centers by members of the Berkeley Recreation Department, ten in number, which was quite interesting.

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Mr. Berendsen announced his candidacy for Supervisor at the coming November election and that in keeping with requirements of the Charter it would be his purpose to present his resignation as a member of the Recreation Commission. Mr. Berendsen spoke feelingly of his association with this Commission and his regret at leaving the department, which is only at the insistence of friends, feeling that he could be of greater service in the position of Supervisor. He voiced appreciation of the unanimity of opinion that had marked deliberations of this board and commended the Superintendent upon her able management of the department. He pledged his continuing friendship and goodwill and interest in affairs of the Recreation Department.

Mrs. Stern expressed appreciation of Mr. Berendsen's interest and co-operation and fine work he has done for the department and wished him success in the coming campaign.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Acting Secretary

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San Francisco. October 16, 1935

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. in Room 370 City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

Upon motion duly made and seconded, minutes of the meeting of September 18th were read, corrected and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Miss Gertrude Whiteside, Principal of the Parkside School, and from Mrs. C. Bittner of the Parkside Parent-Teacher Association, both in the interest of supervised play on public squares in that district. The Superintendent advised that she had informed both of these ladies that the area in question is under the jurisdiction of the Park Commission and would have to be taken up with that department.

From the Community Chest of San Francisco requesting member agencies to name their delegates for the year 1936. Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, it was unanimously voted that Miss Mosgrove and Miss Randall be named as delegates for the Recreation Commission.

From Mrs. W. R. Postlewaite, Chairman, San Francisco Girl Scout Leaders' Association, addressed to Mrs. Stern expressing appreciation for use of the Grove and commenting upon the service and personnel. Ordered filed.

From Mr. George F. Allen with reference to the closing of Delta Street between the Visitacion Playground and the school. Dr. Lee presented a drawing of the location showing proposed pathway through the property in about the same location as the present street. Dr. Lee pointed out that if the pathway were left open he felt it would be wise to close it at intervals during the year so as not to be dedicated as a public highway. Mr. Hardy of the Board of Education, in company with Mr. Kimball, attended a meeting of the Board of Supervisors at which a protest was being made to closing the street. Mr. Hardy reported considerable opposition to closing the street and advised he had agreed to the maintenance of a pathway through the property. He suggested a letter be written by each department agreeing to maintain an open passageway approximately in the location of the present street and parallel to the proposed tennis courts. Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, it was unanimously agreed that this be done.

From the Cratton Parent-Teacher Association relative to the purchase of real estate in that district. Miss Randall reported that Mrs. Otto Peterson and Mrs. Homer Rush had requested information regarding the matter and were taken to the Real Estate Department and were advised that appraisals of the property in that district would be made and the matter given further consideration.

From Dr. J. L. Geiger, Director of Public Health, enclosing complaint relative to use of toilet facilities on property of Mr. Amaro adjoining Richmond Tennis Courts. Dr. Lee suggested that unless using the courts be notified that if the practice is not discontinued the courts would be closed.

From Mrs. Ethel A. White suggesting the use of the old grounds Scott Key School building and grounds for a community center for that district. It was felt a most desirable plan, however Dr. Lee pointed out that the building would not be available for approximately a year and the matter was held in abeyance for the time being.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the following financial transactions since the last meeting were given formal approval:

Allotment Requests:

#24	Wages	Supplementing September	207.70
#25	Permanent to Temporary -	Surplus	3[illegible].72
#27	Temporary	October	1[illegible].00
#28	Fees (Pianists)	October	40[illegible].00
#30	Wages	Supplementing October	1020.00

Transfer Request

#29	To Purchaser	Oil & Gas 2nd Quarter	300.00

Dr. Lee presented before the meeting a proposal for the joint use of the Ingleside Jail property for purposes of the San Francisco Junior College. Mr. Riordan of the Real Estate Department gave data on acreage and cost. The matter was discussed at length and the consensus of opinion was that the plan would be a desirable one if it could be worked out to the mutual advantage of both departments. Dr. Lee was advised that his department would not be unfavorable to such a plan but no definite decision was reached in the matter.

The Superintendent reported an inspection had been made of the old Ethan Allen building at 7th & Bryant and that the minimum amount would be expended for repairs to make the building safe.

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Miss Randall made a report on Visual Education work and Boys' Camera Club wo[illegible] An interesting report in the Eastman Magazine and a number of camera [illegible] looked over by those present.

Miss Randall commented on the work that had been done in the study of a trails' system and group of hostels for hikers and nature study trips. Detail plans are being worked upon and will be presented later.

Miss Randall advised of an effort being made to secure from the Youth Administration an efficient person to assist with plans for the exposition in 1938. This was thought an excellent plan by those present.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Acting Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. November 6, 1935

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

M I N U T E S

Upon motion duly made and seconded, reading of the minutes of October 16th was dispensed with and minutes approved as submitted to the Commission.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Adult Student and Teacher Unit P.T.A. in appreciation for use of the Grove on October 6th.

From Mrs. E. A. Koneally commenting on use of facilities at Funston Center by group from Galileo High School and commending the personnel.

Copies of letters from Park Commission to Supervisors Gallagher and Brown, and to Mrs. J. F. Finley relative to additional tennis courts in the Sunset District.

From Mr. Melvyn I. Cronin suggesting transfer of park property known as Vicente Square between Vicente and Wawona Streets at 26th and 28th Avenues. Secretary instructed to acknowledge and refer to Park Commission.

Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, submitted plan of proposed change of roadway entering Sigmund Stern Grove from present location on 19th Avenue to a point on Wawona Street between 20th and 21st Avenues. This in connection with the proposed widening of 19th Avenue for a boulevard to serve as an arterial approach to the Golden Gate Bridge for traffic to and from the peninsula.

Those present were very definitely opposed to any such change and Mr. Phillips was requested to look into the matter further and endeavor to work out a more equitable plan if any change at all is to be made.

From Mr. W. H. Worden recommending a revocable permit to the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company to open 25th Avenue from a point approximately 200 feet north of Wawona Street to the south extremity of 25th Avenue for the purpose of laying an underground cable to serve a new residential tract.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, it was unanimously voted to authorize such permit and Secretary instructed to so advise Mr. Worden.

A delegation of three ladies representing the Grattan Parent-Teacher Association attended the meeting in the interest of selecting a playground site for that district, $25,000 for which is included in this year's budget. The ladies recommended as the choice of their organization Assessor's Lock 1332 immediately across the street from the Grattan School. They were advised that appraisals were being made of all available property in the district and that no decision would be reached until all facts were available.

Dr. Lee explained that it was the earnest desire of the Commission to act in the best interests of all parties concerned, not only present residents of the district with children in school, but also for years to come, having in mind growth in population and other important factors. It was further explained that this is but one of several proposed new sites and that the Real Estate Department is working upon all of them just as rapidly as possible.

A delegation of six ladies representing the West Portal Parent-Teacher Association with [illegible] acting as spokesman also attended the meeting in the interest of securing a field house for the West Portal Playground, explaining that mothers were reluctant to let their children, particularly little girls, attend the playground because of lack of adequate shelter and lavatory facilities.

Miss Randall explained that the Commission is familiar with this condition and recognized the need for remedying it. She further stated that there was the possibility of securing [illegible] funds for the provision of a modest field house with proper lavatory facilities and that she would set the consulting Architect to draw up suitable plans for such a building. The delegates were assured that everything possible would be done to expeditely meet the situation.

A considerable discussion was had concerning the Seaside Jail property. Dr. Lee went over early tentative plans for use of certain portions of it for the San Francisco Junior College and the joint use by both departments of certain facilities.

Miss Randall stated that plans for the development of this property by the W.P.A., particularly vendor at this time, were ready to go forward but that there seemed to be some question as to just what portions of the property were within the jurisdiction of the recreation department. Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, went over the early history of the property, from the records of his office, and expressed it as his opinion that the portion of the property facing on Ocean Avenue between the roadway on the north and the Southern Pacific right-of-way on the south was embraced within the property transferred from the Sheriff's Department as the old jail property to the Recreation Department.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, it was unanimously

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voted that Mr. Phillips' report be accepted and the Superintendent authorized to proceed with the W.P.A. work as contemplated. Mr. Phillips was requested, as a matter of record, to submit his opinion in writing with reference to boundaries of this property and its control by the Recreation Department.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS, it is necessary from time to time to request of the Controller's Office the allotment of additional funds from our several appropriations and transfers of funds from one appropriation to another, to meet operating requirements of the Department, and

WHEREAS, since Section 72 of the Charter specifically provides that all such requests be formally approved by Boards and Commissions, and it is not always convenient or possible to prepare such transfers and allotment requests for action of the Commission on the regular meeting dates, it would expedite the handling of transactions with the Controller's Office if the Superintendent be given authority by the Commission to make such requests for allotments and transfers as operating requirements of the department might prove necessary or desirable. This, of course, not to involve the expenditure of any funds not specifically authorized by the Commission but merely the adjustment of accounts from time to time.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent be and she is hereby specifically authorized and directed to make requests upon the Controller for such allotments and transfers of funds as in her judgment may be necessary in the interim period; and she is further directed to report all such transactions to the Commission for ratification at its next regular meeting."

Ayes: Mrs Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

Miss Randall advised that the Department finds it necessary to provide another truck to adequately care for transportation requirements, that funds had been included in the current budget for an additional truck, and recommended the purchase of a standard Ford Truck with convertible steel dump body.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Superintendent was authorized and directed to proceed with the purchase of such a truck.

The following financial transactions since the last meeting were reported by the Superintendent:

Allotment Requests

#31	Land	9th & Ortega	$ 3,640.00
#32	Wages	November	3,215.00
#33	Fees (Pianists)	"	400.00
#34	Equipment	"	400.00
#35	Camp purchases	July and August	1,100.00

Transfer Requests

#36	Permanent to Temporary	Surplus	762.31

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, these transactions were unanimously approved, ratified and confirmed.

The Superintendent made a report on results of the recent Food Show playground exhibit in the Civic Auditorium and read an interesting report from Miss Preese, the director in charge.

Miss Randall reported that the Chief Administrative Officer, Mr. Henry, had agreed to advance $500.00 from his advertising fund for purposes of the annual children's pageant and celebration by the Recreation Department.

Miss Randall also reported that through Mr. Merchant the department had secured stage properties and floats used in the recent Century of Progress celebration valued at several thousand dollars. Secretary was instructed to prepare a letter of appreciation in the name of the department.

[illegible] present expressed gratification upon the re-election of Mrs [illegible], for another term and upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, it was unanimously voted that the Recreation Commission, in the matter of the [illegible] official family, pledge anew its co-operation [illegible] administration policies and that an expression of [illegible] be made in the minutes.

There being no further business, upon motion duly made and [illegible], the meeting adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

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Acting Secretary

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San Francisco, November 20, 1935.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:15 p.m. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. This being a minority meeting, all action taken is subject to ratification at the next regular meeting at which there is a quorum.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 6, 1935 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Mayor Rossi thanking the Recreation Commissioners for their resolution pledging continued cooperation and support of administration policies.

From Miss Lauretta Paulsen, Principal McKinley School, Redwood City, expressing appreciation for the recent use of facilities, and the kindness of the directors, at the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

From Mr. Howard Braucher, Secretary, National Recreation Association, enclosing resolution endorsing House Resolution 6594, and urging support for its passage. On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. McLaren, it was unanimously decided that a letter be sent to Senators Johnson and McAdoo, Congresswoman Kahn, and Congressman Welch, requesting their support for the bill, and that Congresswoman Kahn and Senator Johnson be reached personally to further interest them in the passage of this measure. It was also suggested that the newspapers be reached and asked to print pertinent editorials.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission approved Real Estate Department Invoice No. 17 R E in the sum of $96.30 for services rendered in the acquisition of property for a playground at 9th Avenue and Ortega Street. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that due to accidents, and after careful study, it had become necessary to prohibit hard baseball on James Rolph Jr. Playground, since the playarea is too small for hard baseball. Objections to this ruling have been received.

A letter was received from Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, requesting information regarding value of damage caused by permitting hard baseball on the Jessie Rolph Jr. Playground. The letter was ordered filed, and the Superintendent will reply.

Mr. A. Dudley of 100 Santa Ynez Avenue, who is endeavoring to establish a club to be known as the Boys' Recreation Club of San Francisco, presented a draft of a proposed constitution which suggests that the Recreation Commission appoint six trustees on the board. It further provides for the establishment of a year-round vacation area in close proximity to San Francisco. The Superintendent was asked to inform Mr. Dudley that this Commission is endeavoring to establish recreation areas whenever practicable to do so.

Mr. Merchant reported progress on the W. P. A. projects.

The Superintendent reported that the W.P.A. authorities have approved her proposed set-up for the administrative department of the W. P.A. Recreation Project.

The Superintendent reported the possibility of receiving W. P. A. funds for the erection of a building on West Portal Playground. On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission decided that the type of building be similar in size to the Rochambeau field house, and conform with the style of architecture of the West Portal School.

The Superintendent reported the desirability of holding the annual Christmas Pageant in the Opera House. Monday evening, December 23, 1935, is the tentative date. The cost of renting the Opera House is $250.00. This amount can be defrayed from the $500.00 donated by Administrator Cleary for the Christmas Pageant. The Commissioners gave their approval for the selection of the Opera House, if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Edna F. Conning
Secretary

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San Francisco, December 4, 1935.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. This being a minority meeting, all action taken is subject to ratification at the next regular meeting at which there is a quorum.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Wm. H. Leahy
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes was waived until the next meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Mr. Albert F. Dudley, 100 Santa Ynez Avenue, asking the Commission to appoint a chairman on the advisory committee for his proposed boys' recreation camp.

A motion was made by Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, and approved, that Mr. Dudley's letter be answered, stating that the Recreation Commissioners have their own plans for activities, that they cannot take any interest in a project which is not organized on their own initiative, and that they do not wish their name mentioned in the solicitation of funds from citizens for purposes of this kind.

From Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, giving appraisements of playground sites. Mr. Riordan came before the Commission and explained the appraisements. He asked the Commission to decide the ultimate area they wish to acquire on Corona Heights, and he will then purchase as much land this year as the budget permits.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission gave Mr. Riordan a blanket order to buy as much property as funds will permit, in the following districts:

1-Corona Heights.....$25,000.00
2-Eureka Valley.....$25,000.00 - In block bounded by 18th, 19th, Collingwood and Diamond Streets.
3-Haight-Ashbury.....$25,000.00 - In block bounded by Alma, Rivoli, Shrader and Stanyan Streets.
4-Longfellow School.....$20,000.00 - In block bounded by Lowell, Morse, Brunswick, and Whittier Streets.
5-Bay View.....$15,000.00 - In block bounded by Oakdale, Newcomb, Lane and Mendell Streets.
6-Upper Noe Valley.....$25,000.00 - In block bounded by Day, 30th, Church and Sanchez Streets.

Mr. Riordan has several Sunset District sites to suggest. The Commission will make a tour of inspection Friday, December 6, at which time a site will be selected. $25,000.00 has been set aside for this purchase.

From John J. Casey, City Engineer, and W. H. Worden, Director of Public Works, suggesting procedure for remedying the sidewalk condition at China Beach. The Superintendent reported that she had asked Mr. Harman to make the necessary investigation in this matter.

From Mr. A. V. Marvier commending Mr. Maurice Sweeney's work with the young men of San Francisco.

REPRESENTATIVES

Miss Florence Friedman, Director Visitacion Valley Center, appeared before the Commission to inquire about the legal aspects of her plan to have the former Visitacion Valley School building moved to property adjoining the Visitacion Valley Center, in order that she may conduct experimental work along educational, health, and recreational lines for young people and adults.

Mr. J. J. O'Toole, City Attorney, and Mr. J.J. Phillips, were also in attendance.

It was suggested that the land adjacent to the center be turned over to a city department, preferably the Recreation Department, in order that W. P. A. funds might be released to move the school building.

The Commissioners were of the opinion that it would be unwise for the department to enter into any lease or agreement concerning the Visitacion Valley Center because it is privately organized, and such action might establish a precedent.

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Mr. Merchant reported he is conferring with the Engineering Department with reference to the proposed change of roadway entering the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove on the 19th Avenue side. He will report his findings to the Commission at a later date.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda Y. Conning

Secretary

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San Francisco. December 18, 1935.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. This being a minority meeting, all action taken is subject to ratification at the next regular meeting at which there is a quorum.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 20, 1935 were approved as read.

The minutes of the December 4, 1935 meeting were corrected, and approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Senators McAdoo and Johnson acknowledging receipt of House Resolution No. 6594, which is a bill to aid in providing the people of the United States with adequate facilities for park and recreational purposes.

From B. P. Lamb, Secretary Park Commission, stating that employees of the Recreation Department were encroaching with construction work on land dedicated for park purposes in Ingleside and requested that such work cease. There is a difference of opinion between the two Commissions over the boundaries between the park and the former jail site, and the Superintendent was instructed to take up the matter with the Director of Property, and the City Attorney. A reply was ordered sent to Mr. Lamb, indicating this matter is under consideration.

From Mrs. J. Eshow, President Bret Harte P.T.A., requesting this department to supervise play at the Bret Harte School. The Secretary was instructed to reply that there are no funds available.

The Superintendent reported that work on W.P.A. projects has been held up, and stated that funds for the working drawings were not yet approved by local W.P.A. authorities.

The Superintendent reported the following financial transactions were approved by her since the last Commission meeting:

Allotment Requests

#37	Equipment	Ford Truck	$1150.00
38	Wages	December	3215.00
39	Fees (Pianists)	"	425.00
40	Contractual	Supplemental	2160.00
41	Materials & Supplies	Athletic Goods	2500.00

Transfer Requests

42	From Permanent to Temporary Salaries	802.91

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the Superintendent's action. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda Y. Conning

Secretary.

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San Francisco. January 8, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. This being a minority meeting, all action taken is subject to ratification at the next regular meeting at which there is a quorum.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Wm. H. Leahy

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 18, 1935 were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Congressman Welch, assuring the Commission the House of Representatives Bill, which makes provision for additional recreational facilities in the United States, will receive his earnest consideration. The Secretary was instructed, in accordance with the Congressman's request, to forward a reminder of this bill, when Congress convenes.

From Charles A. Warren Company requesting the Commission to approve the rezoning of the Northwest corner of 19th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard, adjoining the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. The Secretary was asked to reply that the matter will be given careful consideration upon receipt of additional information.

From Miss Estelle Carpenter expressing regret at her inability to attend the Recreation Department's Christmas Program at the Opera House. The Secretary was asked to notify her that the Commission will gladly invite her to next year's performance, in accordance with her request.

A petition was received from Mr. Pasquale Simone of 3616-Army Street, requesting the establishment of a playground in the Mission District in the area bounded by 24th, 29th, Church and Valencia Streets. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission is committed to purchase property one block from the southwest boundary of the area he is requesting, and therefore cannot consider the establishment of another playground in such close proximity.

The Commission requested that letters of thanks be sent to Mr. S. C. Oppenheimer, Manager of the Opera Association, and Mr. C. J. Holzmueller, theatrical appliance specialist, for their valuable assistance at the Christmas Program in the Opera House.

Mr. Merchant presented a report of the position confronting the Commission regarding the W.P.A. working drawings for six playground projects. Mr. C. E. Healy, who is in charge of the W.P.A. work for the city, was unable to attend the meeting. The Commission has no funds available in its regular budget to meet this expense. The Commission decided to further investigate the matter.

The Superintendent reported that the budget for the fiscal year 1936-37 is due on February 15, 1936.

The Commission unanimously approved the Superintendent's suggestion that a bookkeeper be hired temporarily to assist in compiling budget information at this time.

The Superintendent submitted copies of the complete pay roll for playground employees to the Commission for their consideration.

The Superintendent reported that Mrs. J. McGaffe has been granted a six months' leave of absence on a "sick leave without pay" basis. The Commission discussed the procedure prevailing in the Board of Education.

The Superintendent reported that the former .E.R.A. building at 600-Ocean Avenue has been turned over to the Recreation Commission, and is being used by Mr. M. Center, and the Junior Museum and Visual Recreation Departments.

The Superintendent asked the Commission to consider a name to properly designate the department known at present as "Visual Recreation".

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Joseph Lyons will be laid off upon the completion of the cement work he is doing at present.

The Superintendent also reported that the attendance on the playgrounds has been increasing during the past six months, and the December increase over the preceding year was 34,719.

The Superintendent reported Mr. Mitchell recommends the closing of the Burnett Schoolyard due to poor attendance. Mr. Lee suggested, before taking

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final action, that Miss Randall talk with Miss Ellis McPhee the new Principal of the Burnett School.

The Superintendent informed the Commission it will be necessary to repave the Helen Wills Playground. There is a possibility of having this work performed by the W.P.A. at their estimated cost of $43,000.

A letter was received from Miss Martha A. Chickering, Supervisor of Field Work in Social Economics, University of California, informing the Superintendent that Dr. Wayne McMillen is to give two courses in the Social Service Department, and one auditor from the Recreation Department will be admitted to the course, without paying the necessary fee. The Commission asked Miss Randall to follow up this request with Miss E. H. Huntington, Assistant Professor of Economics.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vida V. Conning
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco, January 22, 1936.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alice Mosgrove
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. Wm. W. Coffman

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 8, 1936 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Mr. H. P. Lamb, Secretary, Park Commission, informing the Commission that the Park Commissioners authorized President Fleishhacker to conduct an investigation of the boundaries of Balboa Park.

Copy of a letter from Mr. W. H. Worden to Mr. C. E. Healy, requesting him to remedy the hazardous condition of the sidewalk area at the James D. Phelan Recreation Beach by including the work among the W. P. A. projects. Upon completion of this work, the Street Repair Department will then proceed with sidewalk construction.

From Mr. J.J. Phillips relative to proposed relocation of the roadway entrance into Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. Blue print of Map A-10600 was attached which shows suggested entrance from Sloat Boulevard. The Commission decided to look into this suggestion before making a decision.

From Major Geo. W. Braden, Western Representative, National Recreation Association, asking the Superintendent, and Assistant Superintendent to participate in the forthcoming Western Division Conference in Long Beach April 1-3 inclusive. The Superintendent mentioned the need of receiving complete cooperation of all Western Division Recreation Departments in our plans for the San Francisco Bay Exposition in 1938. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission authorized Miss Josephine Randall, Superintendent, and Mr. Raymond Kimball, Assistant Superintendent, to attend the Western Division Recreation Conference in Long Beach April 1-3 inclusive, and all expenses incurred are to be paid from Recreation Commission funds. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Father Powleson.

From Mrs. O. Petersen, President, Grattan Parent-Teacher Association, and Mr. Fitz-Gerald Ames, Chairman, Grattan National Council P.T.A., requesting the Commission to include $50,000.00 in the budget for the second installment on the Grattan District Playground. The Secretary was asked to reply that an allotment has been included in the 1936-1937 Budget to continue the purchase of this property.

From Mr. J.J. Doyle, Secretary, 24th and Alabama Improvement Club, requesting the Commission to keep in mind the need for completing the acquisition of a playground in the lot bounded by Inv. 20th, Church and Sanchez Streets. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has negotiated for the purchase of property in this block, and is including an amount in the 1936-1937 Budget to continue the purchase.

From Mr. Carroll F. Jacoby, Attorney at Law, requesting the Commission on behalf of his client Mr. Patrick J. Doyle, to reconsider their decision to establish a playground in the block bounded by Inv. 20th, Church and Sanchez Streets, and locate one in the area bounded by 24th, Alabama and Guerrero Streets, instead. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission carefully investigated the need before deciding on the first mentioned site, and negotiations have been completed for the acquisition of property in that area. Therefore it is not possible to reconsider their decision.

From Mr. E. Chavez, Secretary, Upper Noe Valley Improvement Club, and Mrs. E. Welte, Chairman, Central [illegible] Committee, requesting the Commission to include in the 1936-1937 Budget an amount sufficient to establish a recreation Center and Playground in their district. The Secretary was asked to inform them that the Commission is purchasing land for playground purposes in their district this fiscal year and has included an amount in the 1936-1937 Budget to continue the purchase. The Commission plans to erect a recreation building in the future, but will be unable to consider same until the property is acquired.

The Superintendent recommended that in the Sunset District two adjoining blocks be acquired, if possible, to provide adequate play area. Mr. Eugene Riordan, of the Real Estate Department, is negotiating the property at the present time.

Mr. McLaren suggested that the Commission endeavor to secure the use of several school lots in the Sunset District. The Commission decided to investigate this suggestion.

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From Mrs. E. M. Thompson, President, Francis Scott Key P.T.A., requesting the Commission to include in the 1936-1937 Budget an amount sufficient to operate the former Francis Scott Key School property at 42nd Avenue and Irving Streets, providing the property is transferred from the Board of Education to the Recreation Commission. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Recreation Commission decided to visit the property before making a recommendation.

From Mr. Wm. F. Traverso, Secretary, Property Owners' Association of North Beach, relative to the beautification of Telegraph Hill. The Secretary was asked to forward the letter to the Park Commission for reply since they have jurisdiction in this matter.

A petition was received from Mrs. T. J. Shaughnessy of 871-38th Avenue, and thirty-five residents in the vicinity of the 38th Avenue and Filton Street Playground, requesting the reinstatement of Mr. John Swanson as director of the playground. The Secretary was asked to inform the petitioner that Mr. Swanson, a substitute director, was appointed to watch this area between the period the C. E. W. A. work ended, and the W. P. A. construction commenced, but was not to carry on regular playground activities. Upon completion of the work, a director will be appointed to supervise play.

From Mr. CharlesEisenhut, President Visitacion Valley Community Center, informing the Commission the W. P. A. has authorized the erection of a new building adjoining the Visitacion Valley Center, instead of moving the former Visitacion Valley School building.

From Mr. J. Carl Bowman, Principal, John C. Fremont Jr. High School, expressing appreciation for the recent showing of Mr. Clifford Nelson's pictures of the High Sierra, and suggesting that they be shown to other Junior High Schools. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge the letter.

From Mr. Gus H. Pollack, President, West End Improvement Association, asking the Commission to close a portion of Clay Avenue for street play. The Superintendent stated Mr. Pollack plans to investigate the matter further, and also mentioned that closing of streets for play comes under the Police Department's jurisdiction. This matter will be followed up when additional information is received.

From Mr. Walter S. Nolan expressing regret in having to resign from his position, and offering his services, if needed.

The Commission approved participation in an "Interview Broadcast" over K. Y. A.

The Superintendent reported that the Controller has recommended the appointment of a vacancy and extra typewriter. It will be advisable to have his appointment start in February, and will necessitate a change in the salary ordinance. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission approved the appointment of a vacancy and extra typewriter. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Father Powleson.

The following financial transactions were approved by the Superintendent [illegible]:

[illegible]

[illegible]

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of Filing Equipment estimated at.....$500.00

The Superintendent reported the Parent Teacher Association has requested the acquisition of property at 16th Street and Van Ness Avenue. She does not recommend this, first because it is in a commercial area and second because the Commission should complete the purchase of other sites which they are buying at present.

The Superintendent called the Commission's attention to the wording of Section 78, City Charter, relative to tax levies, which states "(2) the cost of constructing, maintaining and improving (d) playgrounds, which tax shall not be less than seven cents on each one hundred dollars." It appears that it is not incumbent on the Recreation Commission to include land purchases in its 7¢ allotment, and if such is the case, money for land purchases would have to be provided in addition to the minimum levy. It was suggested that a legal opinion be obtained.

The Superintendent reported that the association for saving the beaches for public use has asked her to suggest additional committee members. The Commission suggested Mr. Paul Bissinger, Past President, Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Mrs. Silas H. Palmer, former President of the Garden Club.

Mr. Eugene Riordan of the Real Estate Department presented an option for the purchase of a lot in the block bounded by Day, 30th, Church and Sanchez Streets. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission authorized the purchase of lot 21, Assessor's Block 6638 from Clarence B. Eaton in the sum of $2000.00. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Wm. Merchant gave a detailed report of the progress of the work he is performing for the Commission. He also presented plans of the proposed building to be erected on the West Portal Playground.

The Superintendent reported it is her understanding that the Controller plans to release approximately $9000.00 from the money set aside from the Recreation Commission's appropriation for possible tax delinquencies. This amount will then be available to pay for additional W.P.A. working drawings and plans.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Nelson Eckart, General Manager of the Water Department, is interested in this department's suggestion that tennis courts be constructed on the roof of the central pumping station.

The Commission decided to hold a special meeting for the purpose of going over the budget and decided to meet on Wednesday, January 29, 1936.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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SPECIAL RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held on Wednesday, January 29, 1936 at 2 P.M. for the purpose of going over the 1936-37 Budget.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. William M. Coffman
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, the following Budget items were unanimously approved:

LAND PURCHASES -

Bay View	$ 15,000	
Longfellow	20,000	
Sunset	25,000	
Corona Heights	25,000	
Eureka Valley	25,000	
Grattan	25,000	
Upper Noe	25,000	
Redding	25,000	$ 185,000

WORKING DRAWINGS -

St. Marys	$ 9,000	
Ocean View	9,000	
Potrero Hill	9,000	
China Beach	3,200	
Ingleside	2,000	
Gilman	1,200	$ 33,400

IMPROVEMENTS -

Mountain Camp	$ 10,500	
North Beach Annex - Lights and HB Court	1,000	
Swimming Pools - New equipment	6,345	
Corporation Yard - Lights, heat, plumbing	800	
Repaving courts - various grounds	1,750	
Father Crowley - Bleachers	12,571	
Chinese - Floodlights	4,400	
Mission - Floodlights	4,400	
Mission - Fencing	1,500	
North Beach Pool - Repair wall	330	
Hayes Valley - Heating	500	
Sprinkler heads:		
Ocean View $800. Jackson $400.		
Julius Kahn 300. Bayview 300.		
Potrero Hill 300. Visitacion 100.	2,200.	
Dolores -Complete horseshoe links	1,000	
Glen Park -Furnish and equip field house	8,000	
38th and Fulton " " " " "	4,200	$ 57,896

NEW EMPLOYMENT

Part-time Directors:
1 - Bernal
1 - 38th and Fulton
2 - Jackson 3,120

Gardeners:
1 - Crocker-Amazon
1 - Ingleside
1 - Potrero Hill
1 - Rossi
1 - Julius Kahn 2,160

Caretakers:
3 - Crocker-Amazon
1 - Ingleside
1 - Rossi
1 - Playlots ..... 10,440 $ 15,720

OPERATING EXPENSE -Other than Salary Roll

Contractual	$8,187	
Truck Hire	200	
Auto Hire	4,000	
Materials and Supplies	97,000	
Equipment	7,000	
Fixed Charges	57,153	$ 174,540

Establishment of two new positions:
Chief Clerk $275
Supervisor of Athletics 225

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Coffman, Dr. Lee, John McLaren.

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The meeting was declared adjourned at 5 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Vida Y. Conning
Secretary

SPECIAL RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING, February 3, 1936.

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held on Monday, February 3, 1936 at 2 P.M. for the purpose of completing the approval of the 1936-1937 Budget.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Father Leo W. Powleson
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. Wm. M. Coffman
Mr. John McLaren

The Commission discussed the Pay Roll. Additional compensation was recommended where responsibilities were increased, or where the individual was being paid below the minimum recommended in the Salary Ordinance.

Operating Pay Roll			$367,350
Plus: Salary increases	$12,240		
New employments	21,660		
Increase for Pianists	2,400	36,300	$403,650

It was moved by Father Powleson, and seconded by Miss Mosgrove that the entire budget, appearing below, be approved as presented:

1936-1937 BUDGET

Land Purchases	$185,000
Working Drawings	33,400
Improvements	57,896
Operating Expense-Other than Pay Roll	174,240
Operating Pay Roll, and increases.	403,650
Total Budget	$854,186.

Probable revenues on 7¢ basis:
From Taxes.....$565,000
Departmental.... 34,000 599,000.

Over the 7¢ returns $255,186

Land.....$185,000
[illegible] increase (Repairs, Improvements, Including.....) working Drawings..... 70,186 ....$255,186

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Dr. Lee.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
[illegible]
Secretary

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RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. This being a minority meeting, all action is subject to ratification at the next regular meeting at which there is a quorum.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Wm. Coffman

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 22, 1936 were corrected, and approved.

The minutes of the special meetings of January 29, and February 3, 1936 were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read, and ordered filed:

From Ivan Flamm, Secretary, San Francisco Municipal Civil Service Association, requesting the Commission to increase the salary of gardeners in the 1936-1937 Budget.

From C. A. Clancy, President, Associated Employees, San Francisco Recreation Department, requesting an increase for playground directors and for those caretakers and gardeners who are not receiving the maximum rate for their positions.

From Mrs. Adelbert Schapp, Recreation Chairman, 2nd District P.T.A., outlining the budget requests of her association. They requested the supervision of Cabrillo, Lawton, and Dudley Stone Schoolyards, and purchase of land in the Wedding and Grattan School Districts. The Superintendent recommended approval of the requests with the exception of the supervision of Cabrillo and Dudley Stone Schoolyards which are too small.

From fourteen year old Douglas Alexander, of 1701-26th Avenue, requesting the establishment of a playground between 27th and 28th Avenues, Moraga and Noriega Streets. The letter is to be answered indicating the Commission is buying property in his neighborhood at the present time. It was suggested that this letter be given publicity in the newspapers.

From the Associated Employees, San Francisco Recreation Department, accompanying a beautiful basket of flowers sent to the newly appointed members of the Recreation Commission. The President indicated she would write and thank them for the gift.

Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended that the following property be purchased for playground purposes:

Improvement Resolution, Number 7, [illegible]

Lot 21, Assessor's Block [illegible], bounded by Day, [illegible], Church and Market Streets, for Clearance P. [illegible] the sum of..... $[illegible]

Lot 32, Assessor's Block [illegible], fronting Market for the sum of..... $[illegible]
[illegible]..... $ .00
[illegible]..... [illegible]
[illegible]..... $[illegible]

To Be paid from Appropriation No. [illegible]

Improvement Resolution, Number [illegible], [illegible]

Lot 9, Assessor's Block [illegible], bounded by Lake, Seventh, Maxwell and Arguello Streets, for Albina Powleson for the sum of..... $1875.00
[illegible]..... 50.00
[illegible]..... 100.00
[illegible]..... $2025.00

To Be Paid from Appropriation No. [illegible]

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Improvement Resolution, Number 9, GRATTAN SCHOOL PLAYGROUND

Lot,7, Assessor's Block 1283, bounded by Alma, Rivoli, Shrader and Stanyan Streets, from Masonic Homes of California, for the sum of $1500.00
Title Fee..... 22.50
Expense..... 200.00
$1722.50

To Be Paid From Appropriation No. 513.600.07

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission approved the purchase of these parcels of land. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Dr. Lee.

The Commission, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, approved Request for Transfer of Intra-Departmental Funds No. 51,
To Set up Separate Appropriations for Camp Mather
for the Remainder of the Fiscal Year 1935-1936.....$17,053.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Dr. Lee.

At the Superintendent's request, the following reports were given:

Mr. J.J.Phillips recommended that the Commission approve the proposed change in the roadway entrance to the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, provided it is agreed that the road be thirty feet wide and the grade not to exceed fifteen per cent at any point. The Commission decided to further investigate this matter.

Mr. Phillips reported that there are about thirty-five acres of land, valued at $3000.00 per acre, available on the west side of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove in the Pine Lake District. These might be purchased over a five-year period. The Commission plans to look into this matter.

The Superintendent mentioned the need for indoor facilities to house certain activities of the Industrial Recreation groups. Kezar Pavilion, and the Civic Auditorium are only available during certain periods. It was suggested that the Arcadia Building, at Eddy and Jones Streets, or Dreamland Auditorium, might be available at a reasonable cost.

Mr. Phillips reported that the Arcadia Building might be obtained at a rental price of $500.00 per month, and might be purchased for approximately $100,000.00. He does not recommend considering the Arcadia because of the location, cost of remodeling, and inadequate facilities. The Dreamland Auditorium has better facilities, but requires a large sum to operate. The Commission plans to look into the matter.

Dr. Lee informed the Commission the Board of Education believes the most desirable location for the San Francisco Junior College is in the property known as the Ingleside Jail Site; and it is hoped that satisfactory arrangements can be made, between the School, Park, and Recreation Departments, approving this location.

The Superintendent reported she had planned to use the Ingleside Jail Building as a Youths' Center. It would require considerable remodeling [illegible] is not in a position to do. They are willing to provide the labor to tear down the building. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, the Commission decided, due to the cost of remodeling the Ingleside Jail Building, that it be torn down by W.P.A. labor. The Superintendent was asked to inform the Mayor of the Commission's decision.

The Superintendent presented a letter from Mr. C. E. Rivers, Secretary, Recreation Congress Committee, National Recreation Association, relative to San Francisco's request for the Recreation Congress at the 1938 Fair. It is suggested that a guarantee of $500 be provided before negotiations [illegible] authorized to confer with the San Francisco [illegible].

The Superintendent reported a request had been received for the Commission to [illegible] 47th Avenue between Geary and Anza [illegible] this request because it would be too [illegible] feet by 150 feet, into a playground.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Dr. Lee, approved [illegible] that $200.00 be set aside to pay for the [illegible] Controller's office.

[illegible] Dr. Lee.

[illegible] playground directors [illegible] in their vehicles to [illegible] the Superintendent was authorized [illegible] in this matter.

[illegible] was declared adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Veda J. Conning
[illegible]

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San Francisco. February 19, 1936.

COMMISSION MEETING

The Recreation Commission's regular meeting was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Father Leo W. Dowlgson
Mr. Wm. Coffman

Absent: Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the February 5, 1936 meeting were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read, and ordered filed:

From John J. Casey, City Engineer, requesting approval of the proposed road entrance to Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove from Sloat Boulevard. Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended approving same because it is a wider and better approach than the present right-of-way, it would become the Commission's property, and Mr. Casey will recommend a crossing over the railroad at 40th Avenue and Sloat Boulevard. Miss Mosgrove moved that the Commission accept the proposed roadway to Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove from Sloat Boulevard in accordance with Plan A-10,600 provided it is to be thirty feet wide and the grade not to exceed fifteen per cent. The motion was seconded by Father Dowlgson, and unanimously approved. The Secretary was instructed to reply.

From J. J. Phillips informing the Commission the exchange of lands at the James Rolph Jr. Playground between the City and Babetta Schmidt, has been completed in accordance with the Commission's request.

From Bertha J. Klaus, Principal, Bethesda Hill School, commending the Commission on their High Tension motion pictures.

From E. L. Bergerot, Deputy City Attorney, informing the Commission that in his opinion playground directors driving children in their personal cars to various playground activities are personally liable in action for damages. The Secretary was asked to find out if there is a blanket insurance policy which would protect the directors.

From Wale L. Cone, Chief Deputy Bureau of Building Inspection, stating our portable bleachers do not meet the requirements of the Building Law, but the workmanship is good. Mr. Cone also reported that the present bleachers could be reinforced and the bleachers in future would conform with the Building Law.

From Mayor [illegible] the Commission to accept the Library Mezzanine land at Funsal Playground on Sloat to erect a library building. The Commission decides to defer action until the Superintendent's report is received.

The Commission unanimously approved [illegible] financial transactions passed by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coffman:

[illegible]

No. 52.....[illegible] $ 7.50
53.....[illegible] 200.00
54.....[illegible] 17.00
57.....[illegible] 200.00

[illegible]

No. 55.....[illegible] 17,000.00
[illegible] 47.....[illegible] 300.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father Dowlgson.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coffman, the Commission unanimously approved [illegible] as follows:

Operating Fund.....
Miss Salary Increase.
Mrs. Salary Increase.....
Operating Expense Other than Sal.....
Improvements, Playground.....
Land Purchase (Miss Mize)
$30,000 asked for property bounded by Sloat Boulevard, Yewoua Street, Ora, [illegible] adjacent to Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove..... $18,000.00

$ 78,534.00

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Total Budget.....$873,581.00

Probable revenues on 7¢ basis:

From taxes.....$565,000.
Non-Departmental:
Rent.....$35,800.
Parking..... 1,700.
Miscellaneous.. 450. 37,950.

603,180.00

Over and 7¢ return..... $ 270,400.00

Present: Mrs. Sigm. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father Fowlesen.

Also to show opposed on a proposed plan to ensure maintenance and up-keep of playgrounds by building a pool for children in the schools under the supervision of [illegible], as director. Mrs. Stern opposed by reason of the fact that the Board of Education at present, provides the expense for every cent, which it receives and is authorized to [illegible] and this service.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Edw. J. Connerly

Secretary.

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San Francisco, March 4, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The Recreation Commission's regular meeting was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Father Leo W. Fowlesen
Mr. Wm. M. Coffman
Mr. Wm. J. Laffetto
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The minutes of the February 19, 1936 meeting were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved.

DELEGATES

Mr. H. H. Hollister and Mr. James Coleman of the Chronicle's Promotion Department requested the Commission's approval for a boys' summer baseball league to be conducted on this department's diamonds under their newspaper's sponsorship. They suggested that suits be awarded on a newspaper subscription basis. They also suggested running a daily sports column for Recreation Department publicity. The Superintendent reported our diamonds are used to capacity by our department leagues. Mr. Coffman moved that we communicate with the Chronicle thanking them for their suggestion, but stating that we do not wish to depart from our established policy of handling all sports and athletics which come under our jurisdiction, and particularly thanking them for their plan to run a recreation column which we hope they can carry through. The motion was seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried.

Mr. John L. Silvey, President, Bernal Progressive Club, and Mr. Albert Dea, Librarian, Public Library, came before the Commission asking for approval to erect a library building on the Bernal Playground with an approximate frontage of 100 feet on the Cortland Avenue side of the playground, which is Board of Education property. The Superintendent reported this location to be the most satisfactory from the district's standpoint, and it would be safer to locate the children's play area behind the library building rather than on Cortland Avenue, a busy thoroughfare. Mr. Dea stated it might be possible to cooperate with this department by installing an activity room and lavatory facilities in the proposed building. Mr. Lee moved that the Recreation Commission inform the Library Trustees of their approval for the erection of a branch library on the Bernal Playground, with an approximate frontage of 100 feet on the Cortland Avenue side of the playground, providing the Board of Education approves the erection of such a building there. The Commission, in granting approval, requests the construction of an activity room and lavatory facilities in the building for the Recreation Department's use, that their architect work with the architect for the building and final plans be submitted to the Recreation Commission for approval. The motion was seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Mr. T. E. Hayes, [illegible], Recreation Congress Committee National Recreation Association, asking leading charge in lieu for the San Francisco Exposition from 1937 to 1939. The Superintendent reports this department's request for the 1936 exposition, expenses and have submitted to the Exposition Conference Board. The Commission instructed [illegible] to present the request to the Board of Education [illegible].

From Mr. Charles McCarthy, Vice-President, Bernal Progressive Club, and Mr. Dea, Bernal Branch, requesting consideration for the establishment of a library building on the Bernal Playground. The secretary was asked to inform the writers of the Commission's action.

From Mr. Avery [illegible], Inspector, Juvenile Division, reporting an accident to Walter [illegible] of 1000 Carroll Street, caused by an automobile driven on the playground. The Superintendent reported that Father Collins requesting that the Police be stopped from speeding automobiles [illegible] playground. The Superintendent recommended that all [illegible] equipment be burned, except the Department's Buick, and that a permanent, substantial fence be constructed immediately. The Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation.

From Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, by Mr. [illegible], Director Public Works, recommending approval of the Commission's requests, relative to road width, landscaping, and filling of hole in Bernal Plaza, incorporated in the letter of the recommendations from Bank Avenue to the [illegible] Cortland Avenue.

From Mrs. [illegible], President of [illegible], San Francisco Parent-Teacher Association, requesting permission to use Girls Playground, Bad Trust and Jamestown Avenue. The Superintendent recommended the Superintendent's recommendation that the request be granted.

From Mrs. Ethel Morrell, Secretary, and Mr. R. C. Hughes, Chairman Inclemide Sportsmen's Club, requesting the Friday Commission to [illegible] Jail Building. The secretary was asked to inform them the Commission is proceeding with this work.

From Mr. C. [illegible], Secretary, Telephone Pioneers, San

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urging the transfer of Ingleside Jail property to the Board of Education for school purposes, and the other inquiring about the completion of Crocker-Amazon, and Longfellow-Mr. Vernon Playgrounds. The Superintendent replied to both.

From Mr. F. S. Durie, President, Merced Manor Property Owners' Association, opposing the placing of tennis courts on the proposed Water Department's reservoir at 22nd Avenue. The Commission decided to look into this matter.

From Mr. Charles Ugarte requesting establishment of a recreational area at Clementina and Fourth Streets. The Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation that the request be denied because the area is near the Father Crowley Playground. The Secretary was instructed to notify the writer.

From Mr. George H. Meyerdorks, Secretary, Park-Presidio Improvement Association, requesting establishment of baseball field between Stanyan Street and the ocean, and adjacent to Fulton Street, also improvement of a baseball ground. The Superintendent was instructed to obtain more detailed information from the writer.

From Dr. Emily N. Plehn, thanking the department for the interesting trip the Dominican College students took recently.

From Allen C. Blaisdell, Director International House, thanking the Commission for affording 375 students the opportunity of seeing the High Sierra pictures.

Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended that the following property be purchased for playground purposes:

Improvement Resolution, No. 18, Grattan School Playground
Lot 20, Assessor's Block 1283 bounded by Alma, Rivoli, Shrader and Stanyan Streets from Charlotte E. Corrigan, for the sum of.....$2500.00
Title Fee.....27.50
$2527.50

To be paid from appropriation No. 513.600.07

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission approved the purchase of this land. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent recommended the approval of the following resolutions:

Improvement Resolution, No. 16 - 160 Dozen Bath Towels for Swimming Pools and Centers.....$ 425.00

No. 17 - 237 Dozen Bathing Garments for Swimming Pools..... 1500.00

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously approved the purchases. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that of the approximate $9000.00 the Outdoor Relations, which is available for W.P.A. working drawings and plans, $7564.00 has been set aside to cover the following resolutions which she approved:

Improvement Resolution, No. 15 - Mr. M.G. Merchant, Architect
Professional Services, Crocker-Amazon - Bleachers..... 1350.00

No. 17 - Mr. W.J. Brundier, Engineer
Professional Services, Crocker-Amazon - Bleachers..... 1800.00

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coffman, the Commission unanimously approved the Superintendent's action. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee, Mr. Coffman.

The Superintendent reported a child was hit by a baseball at [illegible] and requested to investigate the accident, and find the [illegible] to better protect patrons.

The Superintendent reported, in reference to directors driving [illegible], that they are not permitted by law to carry [illegible] and if willful misconduct was proved it would be necessary to assume the responsibility.

The Superintendent reported this department wants to install floor [illegible] in five school gymnasiums to make additional [illegible]. The work is estimated to cost $[illegible].00. The [illegible] for the installation provided this department [illegible]. The Superintendent explained that his board is not departing [illegible] reasonable equipment for schools, but to improvement which is not necessary [illegible] to be met by this department. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously approved [illegible].00. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

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The Superintendent further reported it is sometimes necessary to receive word from the Public Health Nurse in the schools if certain children are physically able to participate in strenuous playground tournaments. There has been some difficulty in securing this information. She was asked to consult Dr. Paul Barrett.

The Superintendent reported Mr. R. M. Stevenson of the Crocker Estate Company called urging the Commission to consider purchasing, over a period of years, approximately 28 acres to the west of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. Mr. Eugene Riordan reported the land will cost approximately $3000.00 per acre. The Commission decided to investigate this matter.

Mr. Merchant reported on the following recreation projects where W.P.A. funds are being expended, and mentioned the government is cutting down on money available for materials, and providing more for labor:

Crocker-Amazon, Gilman Beach, Bernal, Potrero Hill.

The Ocean View Community Center will be a little smaller than the Glen Park Community Center, due to curtailment of funds.

The twenty designers are drawing plans for, a convenience station and assembly room, boys' side, Margaret S. Hayward Playground, West Portal Field House, 9th Avenue and Ortega Street site, Angelo J. Rossi Playground, and department bleachers.

The 38th Avenue and Fulton Street building has been completed.

Work is to be resumed at Glen Park Playground.

Plans have been made for lighting Balboa, Joseph Conlon, and Chinese Playgrounds, and other plans for additional lighting are under way.

A small model of Angelo J. Rossi Playground is being made.

The Superintendent reported the California Beaches' Association has asked her to accept nomination on their Board of Governors. She was instructed to write and find out what work this would entail, before making a decision.

The Superintendent reported considerable interest in the Youth Hostel movement. She was asked to see how W.P.A. help is preparing the necessary maps for use by the National Park Service in furthering this movement.

The Superintendent reported the Civil Service Commissioners are to start their survey of this department tomorrow. A question of part-time and full-time directors has arisen, and she explained the reason for the present arrangements which are due to attendance, special training, or suitability.

The Superintendent reported a representative has been appointed by the City to compile existing, and Planned City ordinances, and this department has been asked to cooperate. The Superintendent was asked to have the representative present any cases coverning the Recreation Department, if there are any.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Leda F. Conning

Secretary

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San Francisco, March 10, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. in Room 370, City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Father Leo V. Bowleson
Mr. Wm. M. Coffman
Mr. Wm. J. Gaffetto
Mr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the March 4, 1936 meeting were, on motion of Mr. Coffman, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, unanimously approved as read.

The Commission, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Lee, unanimously decided to renew for the year 1936, the May 17, 1934 agreement with the Yosemite Park and Curry Company for the pack and saddle animals at the San Francisco Municipal Camp.

The Commission, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Gaffetto, unanimously approved the following financial transactions passed by the Superintendent since last meeting:

Allotment Requests

No. 61 Fees, Pianists, February Supplemental..... 197.00
63 Fees, Pianists, March..... 207.00
64 Certain School Land..... 3567.50

Transfer Requests

No. 58 From Contractual to Fees....Engineering and Architectural services at Recreation Center..... 1754.00
59 From [illegible] to Personal Services..... 130.00
62 From Equipment closing to Maps (Surplus)..... 183.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Bowleson, Mr. Coffman, Mr. Lee, Mr. Gaffetto.

Mr. [illegible] progress of work on the recreation lands, and proposed development of the Ala Wai and Palace Grove sites. On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Father Bowleson, the Commission voted unanimously to accept the report.

Mr. Marshall presented the [illegible] plans and other [illegible] playgrounds [illegible] . . . On motion of Mr. Coffman, seconded by Father Bowleson, the Commission unanimously decided to accept the [illegible] and a letter to [illegible] and Mr. [illegible] to [illegible] the . . . [illegible] Supervisors [illegible] sites in [illegible] in the near future.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

[illegible] election of President for [illegible].

On motion of [illegible], seconded by [illegible], [illegible] was unanimously re-elected President.

The [illegible] physical examination of children [illegible] recommended [illegible] to [illegible] .

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] Recreation Commission [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Board's [illegible] is not responsible [illegible] swimming [illegible] houses. [illegible] possible, open [illegible].

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minimize the expense, that directors be reminded frequently of their responsibility to collect for glass replacement, and inform persons whose windows are broken that they report breakage to someone in authority at the playground before the close of the day the damage occurs.

The Superintendent reported the Chronicle has decided not to conduct a summer baseball league, but wants permission for their agent to go on the playgrounds and have our baseball players earn baseball suits by securing newspaper subscriptions. The Superintendent was authorized to inform the Promotion Manager, that similar requests have been received in the past which the Commission was obliged to turn down, and that the Commission has no right to permit any of its employees to do anything that will take time which should rightfully be given to their playground work. Furthermore the Commission hopes that by adopting some other method, they may be able to carry through their plan for awarding baseball suits without causing embarrassment to the playground employees.

The Superintendent reported she received a letter from the California Beaches Association requesting her attendance at a conference on Beach Erosion at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, March 28, 1936 at La Jolla. Since the Commission is concerned with the fact that a portion of the bank at the Phelan Beach is slipping, the Superintendent was authorized, on motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, to attend the meeting.

The Superintendent reported she received a letter from Mr. James Maher, Secretary, Civil Service Commission, relative to part-time directors at Portola and Hayes Valley Centers. She was asked to acknowledge the letter informing him that pursuant to his instructions the part-time directors were laid off on March 14, 1936, and she will notify him when the time comes that she feels we need employees to fill these positions.

The Superintendent reported Mr. W. H. Stevenson, Crocker Estate Company, inquired if there is any possibility of the Commission wanting to acquire the twenty-eight acres, estimated at $30,000.00, to the west of the Ingleside Park Recreation Area, over a period of ten years or less. The Superintendent was instructed to reply that the Commission would like to acquire this property, and will be interested in discussing it at some future time. They are not in a position to make any commitment at this time.

The Superintendent reported an offer was again made for the purchase of the Ingleside Baths for $75,000.00. The Commission decided not to consider the purchase since the baths can not be used as such without the expense of operating.

The Superintendent reported Mr. C. J. Kenney informed her that there is considerable opposition among the residents in the Merced Manor tract to the erection of public comfort stations on the proposed Inter-Department Recreation. The Commission decided to withdraw the idea.

The Superintendent also reported the Commission is to have a hearing in the Supervisor's office, Room 370, March 26, 1936 at 2:00 P.M. The Commission decided to meet in Room 370 at 1:30 P.M., March 26, for the purpose of going over the 1936-1937 Budget in detail.

The Superintendent commended publicity relative to the exposition time. [illegible] 1939 Exposition be Youth and Recreation Day. [illegible] letter stating he will consider [illegible] Exposition within one [illegible] time as the financial [illegible] is completed.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned.

Secretary pro-tem.

Ethel J. Conroy
Asst. Sec.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. April 1, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Wm. M. Coffman
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Dr. Edwin A. Lee

MINUTES

The minutes of the March 18, 1936 meeting were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended that the ultimate purchase of land at the various sites now being bought, be as follows:

	Included, 1935-36 Budget	Entire Purchase To Cost
BAY VIEW	$ 15,000.00	$ 80,000.00
CORONA HEIGHTS	25,000.00	50,000.00
EUREKA VALLEY	25,000.00	150,000.00
HAIGHT-ASHBURY	25,000.00	115,000.00
LONGFELLOW	20,000.00	60,000.00
SUNSET	25,000.00	50,000.00
UPPER NOE VALLEY	25,000.00	210,000.00
NINTH AND ORTEGA	6,000.00	Acquired
ROSSI	27,000.00	Acquired
SIGMUND STERN GROVE		May be maximum purchase 30,000.00
REDDING		25,000.00
	$ 193,000.00	$ 770,000.00

The Commission unanimously approved the recommendation, and asked the Secretary to forward the information to the Controller.

Mr. Phillips also reported the amounts he has expended this year for purchase of land, and stated that before the close of the fiscal year he intends to place condemnation proceedings on the various sites where the complete appropriation has not been used, thereby taking care of any balance existing in the respective appropriations for land.

The Commission discussed suitable names for the playground site located at 9th Avenue and Ortega Street. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously decided that it be named the Ortega Playground.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received, and ordered filed:

From the Public Utilities Commission, enclosing copy of Resolution No. 1256 dated March 23, 1936, renewing the arrangements governing the Recreation Commission's use of the Mather Auto Camp for the year 1936. The Secretary was instructed to answer, thanking the Public Utilities Commission for the renewal agreement.

From the Board of Education informing the Commission there is a possibility that W.P.A. funds may be available for making a playground on the block bounded by Highland, Appleton and Patton Avenues and Holly Park Circle, and offering the Recreation Commission the use of this property, which is the future site of the Bernal Junior High School, if they wish to take it over temporarily. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

From Mr. Robert McMahon, Deputy City Attorney, stating a claim had been filed in the sum of $25,800.00 for personal injuries sustained by one, Betty Lance, at Funston Playground on March 1, 1936, and requesting this office to submit a report of the accident. The Secretary was asked to see that a report is sent.

From Miss Flora H. Hubbard, Director of Religious Education, Chinese Presbyterian Church, 925 Stockton Street, endorsing the request for lighting the Chinese Playground. The Secretary was asked to reply that this improvement was recommended in the 1936-1937 Budget, and the Commission hopes to secure approval of this item.

Resolution from Mr. Richard M. Meagles of Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club proposing that the 9th Avenue and Ortega Street Playground site be known as "J. M. Gregory Recreation Center". The Secretary was instructed to inform them the Commission had previously officially named the playground "Ortega", thereby identifying it with the neighborhood.

From Mr. M. K. Kallo, Secretary, Longfellow-Mt. Vernon Improvement Club,

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5270 Mission Street, relative to dedication of the future Longfellow School Playground. The Secretary was asked to reply that their request is premature, and furthermore one of the Commission's policies provides that any dedicatory ceremonies in connection with the opening of new playgrounds must be under the sponsorship or direction of the Recreation Commission.

From Mrs. Alice Cummings, Ashbury Terrace Improvement Club, requesting that in addition to the purchase of a flat area on Corona Heights, three lots fronting on Roosevelt Way also be acquired. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission has recommended that $25,000.00 be included in the 1936-1937 Budget for additional purchase of land which is to be bought by the Real Estate Department.

The President announced that it will be necessary to revise the budget ~~on the basis of an 8% appropriation~~, and a special meeting will therefore be held on Wednesday, April 8, 1936 at 2 P.M.

The Commission, on motion of Mr. Coffman, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, unanimously approved the following financial transaction passed by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

Transfer Request

No. 65 Materials and Supplies to Equipment (Camp).....$300.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Coffman.

The Secretary reported that of the approximate $9000.00 the Controller released, which is available for W.P.A. working drawings and plans, $3400.00 has been set aside to cover the following resolution which the Superintendent approved:

Improvement Resolution, No. 21 - Wm. G. Merchant, Architect

Professional Services, Angelo J. Rossi Playground, Field House.....$ 3400.00

Mr. Phillips recommended that the following property be purchased for playground purposes:

Improvement Resolution, No. 19 - Upper Noe Valley Playground, Lot 34, Assessor's Block 6538, bounded by Day, 30th, Church and Sanchez Streets from Alys M. Atkinson..... Lot ...$4100.00
Title Fee..... 37.50
Appropriation 513.600.02 $ 4137.50

Improvement Resolution, No. 20 - Longfellow School Playground Lots 9 and 10, Assessor's Block 6474, bounded by Lowell, Morse, Brunswick, and Whittier, from Henry Newburgh.....Lot .....$ 12,460.00
Title Fee..... 78.50
Expense..... 100.00
Appropriation 513.600.06 $ 12,638.50

Improvement Resolution, No. 22 - Grattan School Playground, Lot 6, Assessor's Block 1283 bounded by Alma, Rivoli, Shrader and Stanyan Streets from Louise Wissing.....Lot.....$ 1500.00
Title Fee..... 22.50
Appropriation 513.600.07 $ 1522.50

On motion of Mr. Coffman, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved Resolutions No. 19, 20, 21 and 22, enumerated above.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Coffman.

Mr. Merchant reported on the seventeen recreation projects where W.P.A. funds are being expended. The building projects are coming along slowly whereas the dirt moving projects are proceeding with greater rapidity. He mentioned that the wire fence on the 27th and Douglass Street site has practically been condemned because it does not come up to the specifications. He also reported that plans have been made for a wharf at Gilman Beach.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Veda Y. Sonning
Secretary

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San Francisco, April 8, 1936

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. for the purpose of revising the 1936-1937 Budget.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. M. Coffman
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto

Absent: Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

The Budget was revised as follows:

OPERATING BUDGET

Permanent Salaries	$332,187.00	
Temporary Salaries	10,301.00	
Wages	38,501.00	
Fees and Compensation	5,957.00	
Truck Hire	900.00	
Auto Hire	4,248.00	
Contractual Service	64,927.00	
Materials and Supplies	67,850.00	
Equipment	7,950.00	
Fixed Charges	27,165.00	
Working Drawings	21,700.00	$581,686.00

IMPROVEMENTS

Chlorinators for Pools	$ 6,345.00	
Flood Lights, Mission and Chinese	4,000.00	
Heating Plant, Hayes Valley	500.00	
Furnish Glen Park, 38th and Fulton	8,000.00	
Mountain Camp, enlarging kitchen and dining room	10,500.00	
North Beach Annex, lights and completion handball court	1,000.00	
North Beach Pool, repair wall	930.00	
Mission Fence	1,500.00	
Corporation Yard, lights and plumbing	400.00	
Repaving playground courts	1,750.00	
Sprinkler heads, playgrounds	2,200.00	$ 37,125.00

LAND

Corona Heights	$ 25,000.00	
Eureka Valley	25,000.00	
Haight-Ashbury	25,000.00	
Upper Noe	25,000.00	
Sunset	25,000.00	
Longfellow	20,000.00	
Bay View	15,000.00	
Sigmund Stern Grove	30,000.00	
Redding	25,000.00	$215,000.00

Total Budget..... $833,811.00

Mr. Phillips, Director of Property, reported to the Commission that the Lurline Baths can be purchased at a reasonable price, or exchanged on a fair basis. He further reported the informal opinion that the Board of Education might be interested in making an exchange of Board of Education property with the Lurline Baths' property which might then be turned over to the Recreation Commission to operate with the provision that part of the time it might be used for school purposes. The Recreation Commission then passed the following resolution:

On motion of Mr. Coffman, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, and unanimously carried, the Recreation Commission decided to ask the Board of Education if they are willing to exchange properties not in use for the Lurline Baths, with the understanding that the Recreation Commission would operate the property without expense to the Board of Education as a recreational center, and that said recreational center would be open for use during the school recess periods for children of the Redding School. It is also understood that the Recreation Commission's interest in the Lurline Baths is confined to the possibility of operating this property as an indoor recreational center, and not as a swimming pool, and that a temporary floor and other improvements be made by the W.P.A., if possible, without cost to the City. It is also understood that an effort is to be made by the Commission to make the property partially self-supporting.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 5 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Veda Y. Sonning
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. April 15, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. M. Coffman
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meetings of April 1, 1936 and April 8, 1936, were approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read, and ordered filed:

From Mr. J. J. Phillips enclosing a request from the Director of Public Works that the Recreation Commission transfer a strip of playground land thirty-one feet three inches wide along the Bay Street frontage of Funston Playground to the Board of Public Works for street purposes, in order to accommodate traffic from the Golden Gate Bridge. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved transferring this land as shown on blue print B-11,347. The Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Phillips accordingly.

From Mrs. Ben. Hoffman, Secretary of the Grattan P.T.A. requesting that no decrease be made in the $25,000 appropriated in next year's budget for their district playground. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has continued to recommend this amount.

From the Rev. Geo. W.P. Johnson, Director Catholic Chinese Social Center, 902 Stockton Street, requesting the lighting of the Chinese Playground for night use. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission has included this item in the budget, and hopes that it will receive the necessary approval.

The Board of Education's letter relative to the Bernal Junior High School site which was read at the last meeting was again presented. The Superintendent reported, because of the close proximity of Holly Park, Bernal, and St. Mary's Playgrounds she advised against any further recreational development in this immediate neighborhood. On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the Superintendent's recommendation. The Secretary was asked to notify the Board of Education accordingly.

From Mr. Frank Fischer, Secretary Northern Federation of Civic Organizations containing resolution urging the purchase of the Lurline Baths for recreation purposes. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has the matter under consideration at the present time.

A second letter from Mr. Fischer contained a resolution endorsing the Commission's request for land in the 1936-1937 Budget, and urging the Commission to influence the Police Department to forbid children to play in the streets. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge the letter.

From Mr. Wm. C. Haack, President Golden Gate Valley Baseball League, thanking the department for assisting them in their recent league which was successful. The Secretary was asked to send a letter of appreciation.

From Assistant Regional Forester, Mr. L. A. Barrett, notifying the department of his forthcoming retirement from the forest service, and asking the Commission to cooperate with his successor. The Secretary was asked to send a letter expressing the Recreation Commission's appreciation of his cooperation, and regret at his retirement, and also to assure him that complete cooperation will be given to his successor.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Albert Chine spoke to her relative to the need of remedying the dust condition at Mission Playground in order to protect his tenant's property on land adjoining the playground. He suggested that either the baseball area be turfed, or a high wooden fence be constructed. The Superintendent reported that she would obtain an estimate of the cost of a fence or hand ball court which would serve the purpose and which might be included in the $1500 now in the budget for the construction of a new fence and retaining wall along the back of the field. The Commission decided to let the matter stand at present, and to consider this requested improvement at the proper time.

From the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company requesting permit to place an underground cable at the Mission Playground. The Commission asked for particulars regarding this request.

From Mrs. Menzel enclosing a letter from the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children expressing appreciation for the twenty-five scrap books donated by her playground to the children in the hospital.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coffman, the Commission unanimously approved the following financial transactions passed by the Superin-

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tendent since last Commission meeting:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

No. 67	Longfellow land	$12,638.50
68	Grattan land	1,522.50
69	Upper Noe land	4,137.50
72	Wages, April	2,000.00
73	Fees (Pianists) April	200.00

TRANSFER REQUESTS

No. 68	To Purchaser for Oil and Gas, quarter June 30	250.00
70	From various reserves to Rossi. To cover engineering fees	3,400.00
71	From Permanent Salaries to Wages, Surplus	733.03

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto.

Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended that the following property be purchased for playground purposes:

Improvement Resolution, No. 23, UPPER NOE VALLEY PLAYGROUND
Lot 36, Assessor's Block 6638, bounded by Day, 30th, Church and Sanchez Streets from Helen Holohan for the sum of.... $3200.00
Title Fee..... 32.50
Lot 37, from R. Jaap for the sum of..... 2875.00
Title Fee..... 30.00
Expense..... 100.00
Total..... $6237.50

To be paid from Appropriation 513.600.02

Improvement Resolution, No. 24, **CORONA** HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND
Lots 28, 29, Assessor's Block 2620 from T. E. Treacy for the sum of..... $ 750.00
Title Fee..... 17.50
Lot 30, from Walter Weck and Paul Paap..... 375.00
Title Fee..... 15.00
Lots 1 to 8 inc. Assessor's Block 2621 from H. V. Tilden for the sum of..... 1500.00
Title Fee..... 22.50
Expense..... 200.00
Total..... $2880.00

To be paid from Appropriation 513.600.09

Improvement Resolution, No. 25, GRATTAN SCHOOL PLAYGROUND
Lot 24, Assessor's Block 1283, from Etta S. Perkins for the sum of..... $3000.00
Title Fee..... 30.00
Lot 17, from Frank J. Weiman for the sum of.... 3250.00
Title Fee..... 32.50
Lot 18, from William H. Shea for the sum of.... 3500.00
Title Fee..... 32.50
Total..... $9845.00

To be paid from Appropriation 513.600.07

Mr. Phillips also recommended that the following Improvement Resolution be approved:

Improvement Resolution, No. 26, BAY VIEW and SUNSET DISTRICT PLAYGROUNDS, Incidental expense of Real Estate Department for appraising and acquiring land..... $ 200.00

To be paid from Appropriations 513.600.01 and 513.600.08

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Coffman, the Commission approved Improvement Resolutions Nos. 23 to 26 inclusive.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Coffman, Mr. Raffetto.

Mr. Phillips submitted for approval a resolution authorizing the sale of buildings situated on land being acquired for playground purposes. The Commission decided to look into this matter before making a recommendation, since there is a possibility of using one or several of the buildings.

The Superintendent reported one of the playground directors, Miss Alma Peters, has requested a six months' leave of absence. She is planning to be married, and while she does not intend to return to the department, she wishes to take out the leave in case there may be a need to return to work. The Superintendent stated that on previous occasions when leaves were granted it was unsatisfactory because it is not possible to appoint a permanent person in the place of the one on leave. The Superintendent asked that a policy be established governing leaves of absence. The Commission asked her to establish a policy to the effect that the Commission is willing to grant leaves of absence if the reason shown seems, at the Superintendent's discretion, to be sufficient to justify granting same. The Commission does not advise granting Miss Peters' leave, since there does not seem to be sufficient reason to justify it.

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The Superintendent reported that two of the Directors-at-large, Mr. James O'Gara and Mr. Gono Morena have requested that they be granted time off, without loss of salary, to attend the California Conference of Social Work meeting in Los Angeles, April 19 to 23, 1936. On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission approved the request.

The Superintendent reported that Mrs. Wm. Cohn asked permission for her boy to sell refreshments at the Julius Kahn Playground. Since the playground is located a considerable distance from any stores she wondered if an exception might be made in this case. The Commission decided not to depart from its established policy that no foodstuffs be sold on any of the playgrounds.

The Superintendent reported she had made a careful study of the personnel needed at Hayes Valley, and Portola Centers. She decided that Mr. Edward McDevitt of Ocean View Playground would be the best full-time director to fill the position at the Hayes Valley Center. If this assignment is made the highest person on the Civil Service eligible list would be assigned to Ocean View Playground. The Commission agreed with this suggestion.

At Portola, one director will not fill the requirements, and it is advisable to have two part-time directors. The Commission decided, on motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, that the City Attorney be requested to furnish an opinion as follows: if two part-time people can more efficiently handle the Commission's work than one full-time person, has the Commission not the power to employ them in place of one person; and furthermore has the Civil Service Commission the right to hold up the departmental pay rolls.

The Superintendent reported a request has been received to send out with our weekly bulletin, a printed notice of a forthcoming Russian celebration at the Grove. She asked the Commission for their policy in this matter. The consensus of opinion was that all programs other than those of the Recreation Department be barred from distribution. Events of a civic nature may be included in the bulletin, if in the judgment of the Superintendent it is advisable to do so.

The Superintendent reported that the Francis Scott Key P.T.A., through Mrs. Thos. Best, renewed their request for the Commission to operate the former Francis Scott Key School building at 42nd Avenue and Irving Street. Dr. Lee informed the Commission that the Board of Education would act upon their previous request but that he would like to see the old building torn down as it is a fire hazard. The Annex is in good condition. The Commission decided to visit the site.

Mr. Merchant reported on the following recreation projects where W.P.A. funds are being expended:

At the Ocean View Playground general improvements such as retaining walls and curbs are promised if a building is to be erected. Mr. Merchant therefore made a preliminary sketch of the proposed convenience station which will contain showers and dressing room facilities, and which will cost about $20,000.00.

He mentioned that it is necessary for him to have working drawings made of the various playground structures.

He also showed the Commission the working drawings for Crocker Amazon.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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San Francisco. May 6, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. Coffman
Mr. Wm. J. Baffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Dr. Edwin A. Lee

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 15, 1936, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read, and ordered filed:

From Mr. J. J. Phillips advising this department that before the general public is informed of the auction of any buildings on property being purchased for the Recreation Commission, the Commission will be notified first. The Superintendent was asked to investigate if there are any buildings on playground sites which would be desirable to rent.

From Mr. Phillips advising the Commission that there is an old one story frame building at the southeast corner of Day and Sanchez Streets which should be razed. The Commission authorized the Superintendent to secure an estimate for tearing down the building, and if advisable to proceed with this work.

From Mr. Richard M. Weagles, Jr., 1544-12th Avenue, ecretary Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club, objecting to the name "Ortega" selected for the playground at 9th Avenue near Ortega Street. The Secretary was asked to reply, inviting the club to send a committee to the next Commission meeting.

A copy of a letter from ergeant P. J. McInerney, Secretary Laguna Monda District Association, 621 Laguna Monda Boulevard, to the Mayor requesting the Commission to consider the purchase of land at Laguna Monda Boulevard, Portola Drive and Ulloa Street for playground purposes. The ecretary was asked to reply that the Commission's budget has already been submitted, and there is no money available for additional purchase of land.

From Mrs. Louis Sloss, 3070 Pacific Avenue, Grant chool P.T.A., asking the Commission to consider supervising the Grant Schoolyard. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission's budget has already been submitted, and there is no money available for additional personnel, and suggest that their request be submitted again when the ensuing year's budget is being made.

From Miss Alma B. Peters requesting a three months' leave of absence from June 15 to September 15, 1936, to travel. On motion of Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Baffetto, the Commission unanimously granted the leave.

From Mr. H. B. Pack requesting the ommission to grant him a leave of absence for several days over his vacation period, in order to take a vacation at sea. On motion of Mr. Coffman, seconded by Mr. Lee, the Commission unanimously approved the leave with the understanding that he will be compensated for the two weeks' vacation, but will not be paid for the additional time off.

From Mrs. Dennis Wenzel applying for a two and one-half months' leave of absence, June 15 to August 31, 1936 to travel abroad. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Coffman, the Commission unanimously granted the leave.

Three letters of appreciation were received from the following people after seeing Mr. Clifford Nelson's pictures of the Far Eastern: Mrs. Josephine eavey, Principal Golden Gate chool, Mr. . J. Dahlen, Principal Wedding chool, and Mr. Lorrel J. Smith, 2750 - 4th Avenue.

Upon the recommendation of Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, the Commission, on motion of Mr. Lee seconded by Mr. Coffman unanimously approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the Director of Property be and is hereby authorized to sell at public auction all buildings situated on lots in Assessor's Block 1283, 2694, 5310, 6474 and 6482, now owned or occupied as stated by the City and County of San Francisco and not required for playground purposes.

The terms of sale shall be cash upon delivery of bills of sale to be executed by the Director of Property.

Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, recommended the approval of the following land purchase:

Lot 17-A, Assessor's Block 5484, [illegible] Tallimwood and Diamond Streets from Lucille Coleman and [illegible]

Purchase Price..$4650.00
Title Fee. 27.00
Total..... 4677.00

From Appropriation $13,000.00

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IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION, No. 28, CORONA HEIGHTSPLAYGROUND
Lot 24, Assessor's Block 2614 from
Florence G. Perine for.....$ 150.00
Title Fee..... 12.50
Total.....$ 162.50

From Appropriation 513.600.09

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved resolutions 27 and 28. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Dr. Lee.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved Improvement Resolution No. 29 for the reorganization and modernization of correspondence and report filing systems in the Secretary's office, based on surveys made by Remington Rand's System Service Division in the sum of $227.50. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Dr. Lee.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously approved the financial transactions passed by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

TRANSFER REQUESTS

74	Unallocated	to	Materials	$ 579.39
75	Fixed Charges	to	Materials	1200.00
81	Camp Material	to	Camp Equipment	75.84
82	Truck Hire	to	Materials	787.56
85	Fees	to	Materials	1707.58
86	Camp Materials	to	Camp Equipment	50.00

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

76	Height-Ashbury Land (Grattan School)	9845.00
77	Upper Noe Land	6237.50
78	Corona Heights Land	2880.00
79	Bay View Land Expense	100.00
80	Sunset Land Expense	100.00
83	Wages - May and June	3237.48
84	Fees (Pianists) May and June	745.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that the Mayor has allowed the Commission a budget for 1936-1937 of 7¢ on the tax rate, and has included within that allowance $125,000.00 for land. This means serious and substantial reductions throughout the entire budget. The Commission therefore authorized the Superintendent to write to the City Attorney stating that they have always understood that the Recreation Commission shall have the sole allocation of funds up to 7¢ on the tax rate, and since this year's budget has been reduced to 7¢, unless they receive a ruling to the contrary, they will proceed to allocate within the budget as they think most advisable.

The Superintendent further reported since all improvements have been eliminated from the 1936-1937 budget, and since there is an accumulated surplus of approximately $8000.00 in the 1935-1936 Budget, that it ~~could~~ be expended for necessary work before the close of this fiscal year. The Commission approved the expenditure of approximately $1500.00 for the Mission Playground fence, and approximately $30.00 for the North Beach Wall. The Superintendent was asked to submit a list of improvements which will use the remaining surplus.

The Superintendent reported that the Mayor's recommendation for the [illegible] from employees' salaries in the 1936-1937 Budget was as follows: [illegible], $120.00; Mr. Ernest Meyer, $145.00; Mr. Maurice Sweeney, [illegible] Nelson, $120.00. The Commission, on motion of [illegible] Mr. Raffetto, unanimously approved the [illegible] recommendation that they receive $165.00 per month, and instructed [illegible] be notified his approval of these increases. [illegible], Mr. Coffman, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, [illegible]

[illegible] recommendation that Mr. Ernest Meyer's salary be [illegible] with commencing May 11, 1936 was on motion of [illegible] Raffetto, unanimously approved. Ayes: Mrs. [illegible] Coffman, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Dr. Lee.

[illegible] reported that the Civil Service Commission commenced [illegible] examinations Wednesday morning, May 6, 1936.

[illegible] reported that the present rental fee of $50.00 [illegible] Grove for commercial purposes, is [illegible] Commission, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, [illegible] therefore decided to increase the minimum rental [illegible] Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Coffman, Father [illegible]

[illegible] Community Chest has requested that all [illegible] be permitted to secure their W.P.A. [illegible] and the like, through our W.P.A. recreation [illegible] and Bryant Streets. It will not in- [illegible] Commission. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, [illegible] unanimously approved the Superintendent's

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recommendation that this be done.

On motion of Mr. Coffman seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission, upon the Superintendent's recommendation, granted the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company the privilege of laying an underground cable at Mission Playground as per their application of April 1936.

On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved Improvement Resolution No. 30 for the purchase of the following equipment recommended by the Superintendent:

Electric Recording Stamp.....	$59.50
Filing Cabinet, Superintendent's Office.....	52.50
Underwood Adding Machine (Electric).....	187.00
Royal Typewriter (Estimate).....	75.00
	$ 374.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Coffman, Mr. Raffetto, Dr. Lee.

The President suggested the advisability of establishing the following four committees of the Commission: Finance; Land, Buildings, and Grounds; Camp; Legal and Civil Service.

On motion of Dr. Lee, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the President's suggestion.

The following committees were appointed by the President:

FINANCE - Mr. William Coffman, Chairman
Mr. William Raffetto
Rev. Leo Powleson

LAND, BUILDINGS, GROUNDS - Mr. William Raffetto, Chairman
Mr. John McLaren
Dr. Edwin Lee

CAMP - Miss Alice Mosgrove, Chairman
Dr. Edwin Lee
Mr. John McLaren

LEGAL, CIVIL SERVICE - Rev. Leo Powleson, Chairman
Mr. William Coffman
Miss Alice Mosgrove

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. M. Coffman

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 6, 1936 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication was received and ordered filed:

From Mr. Richard M. Meagles Jr., Secretary Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club, indicating that a committee from their organization will appear before the Commission on June 3, 1936 relative to the naming of the playground at 9th and Ortega Streets.

The Superintendent reported that Miss Stella Harris has been doing excellent work in gardening and recommended that she be made Supervisor of Gardening and be given the opportunity to carry out a garden program, where practical, on all playgrounds. The Commission approved the recommendation.

A report was received from the Business Manager relative to automotive equipment, recommending that the department trade in the Buick Sedan, and one of the Ford Coupes before the end of the current fiscal year, and that the Ford be replaced by either a Plymouth, Dodge or Chevrolet. The recommendation was made because of the expensive maintenance of both cars. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously approved trading in during this fiscal year 1935-1936, the Buick Sedan for another Buick, and the 1933 Ford Coupe for a Plymouth, preferably. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

Miss Mosgrove reported she had seen the City Attorney relative to the Recreation Commission's 7¢ appropriation. He recommended that the 7¢ appropriation for 1936-1937, which includes $125,000 for land, be left unchanged because of a recent Supreme Court ruling in Los Angeles which declared that when a new Charter is adopted, the old is obsolete. Since San Francisco's new charter does not enumerate the duties and powers of the Commission, but states that the duties and powers in effect in the old charter shall be continued as the powers and duties of the Commission in the new charter, except as otherwise provided, it is a debatable point as to just what powers the Commission has. The Commission suggested investigating the wording of the Los Angeles opinion.

The Superintendent reported [illegible] as follows: Mr. C. H. Healy believes it will be possible to construct the Mission fence and the North Beach wall from W.P.A. funds. The Superintendent therefore recommended that the money set aside for this purpose be used for other expenditures. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission unanimously decided to rescind their action of May 6, 1936 that approximately $500.00 be spent for the Mission Playground fence, and approximately $40.00 for the North Beach Playground wall. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation that during the current fiscal year as much money as possible be spent in buying materials and supplies which will be needed next year, and thereby release funds through transfer to other necessary accounts.

Mr. J. J. Phillips reported he had been asked by the Board of Education to request the Recreation Commission to turn for property in the former Ingleside Jail Site to them for the San Francisco Junior College. Mr. Raffetto moved that the request of the Board of Education for the transfer of the following described property be concurred in:

> Starting at the intersection of the northerly property line of Ocean Avenue and the westerly boundary line of the Southern Pacific right-of-way; thence westerly along the said northerly property line of Ocean Avenue 840.000 feet, thence deflecting an angle of 89°0' to the right and distant 300.00 feet; thence deflecting an angle of 91°35' to the right and distant 252.594 feet, thence deflecting an angle of 90°25' to the right and running parallel to Ocean Avenue and in an easterly direction to the intersection of the westerly boundary line of the Southern Pacific right-of-way; thence southerly along the westerly boundary line of the Southern Pacific right-of-way to the northerly property line of Ocean Avenue, the point of commence ment.

The motion was seconded by Father Powleson, and carried. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Dr. Lee.

Dr. Lee was authorized to convey to the Board of Education the desire

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of this Commission to cooperate in the plans for the development of the property, in order to conform with the general scheme for improving the entire surrounding area. He was also asked to suggest that the small building situated on the property be moved, by the Education Board, on the Recreation Commission's property.

The Superintendent, as previously requested, presented a city map showing all unused city property. Mr. Phillips recommended that the Commission select what property they wished reserved for them in the Sunset District, and then request the Board of Education not to sell that property. The Commission decided to refer this matter to the Land Committee of their board.

The Commission, on motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, approved the following financial transactions passed by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

87 Corona Heights Expense	$162.50
88 Eureka Valley Land	4537.50

TRANSFER REQUEST

89 Permanent Salaries to Materials	612.65
90 Rossi Land to Materials	354.61
91 Camp Temporary Salaries to Camp Wages	125.00
92 Camp Temporary Salaries to Camp Contractual	275.00

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Dr.Lee.

Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, recommended the approval of the following land purchases:

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION NO. 31, EUREKA VALLEY PLAYGROUND
Lot 18, Assessor's Block 2694, bounded by 18th, 19th, Collingwood and Diamond Streets from John Lynch for...$ 5000.00
Title Fee..... 40.00
$ 5040.00
From Appropriation 513.600.04

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION NO. 32, BAY VIEW PLAYGROUND
Lots 10, 11, 18, Assessor's Block 5310, bounded by Lane, Newcomb, Mendell and Oakdale Streets from Wells Fargo Bank and Union Trust Company, Trustee for the Estate of Nora M. Egan deceased for.....$ 9500.00
Title Fee.... 65.00
$ 9565.00
From Appropriation 513.600.01

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved Improvement Resolutions No. 31, and 32. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee, Father Powleson.

The Superintendent reported a contractor had asked to buy bricks from this department at $5.00 per thousand. The Commission disapproved this request.

The Superintendent reported the department has completed its puppet theatre, and needs a truck or trailer to take it through the city. A second hand truck can be obtained for between $115.00 and $150.00. The Superintendent recommended purchasing a truck. On motion of Mr. McLaren seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously approved securing a second hand truck not to exceed $150.00. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Dr. Lee, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported at the present rate the department is paying for water bills the operation of the Crocker Amazon Site will cost approximately $600.00 a year for water. Mr. [illegible] Cahill, Manager of Public Utilities Commission, [illegible] Department to construct wells. The Superintendent therefore recommended that since the Public Utilities Commission allows the city a certain amount of free water annually that we apply for free water [illegible] for Crocker Amazon, but for all new playground areas. The Commission [illegible] this matter to the Finance Committee of their board for investigation.

The Superintendent reported Mr. George Allen of the Visitacion Valley Improvement Association invited the Commission to their association's meeting on Monday, May [illegible], 1930, at 8 P.M.

The Superintendent reported Mr. Phillips was authorized to demolish the old building at Bay and Crocker Streets.

The Superintendent reported Miss Hester Proctor has asked for two months' leave of absence to attend the unveiling of a statue made by her father and to visit with her family. The Superintendent recommended that in addition to her regular vacation, and overtime, she be granted the necessary leave. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously granted the leave.

Mr. Merchant reported from present indications it is expected that the [illegible] on the following projects will be completed in the near future:

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27th and Douglass; 24th and Douglass; 30th and California; Angelo J. Rossi. He presented drawings of the building to be erected on Ortega Playground, and construction details for the convenience station on Ocean View Playground. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved the plans.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. C. E. Healy has some money in his budget for working drawings, and he hopes to be able to start this work in June.

Mr. Merchant presented his plan for the small addition to the building on the North Beach Annex, as requested by the Telegraph Hill Association which organization has approximately $1000 to apply toward the expense for materials.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda F. Conning

Secretary

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RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Baffetto
Dr. Edwin A. Lee
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. M. Coffman
Father Leo W. Powleson

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of May 20, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the Eureka Valley District, with Mrs. C. L. Colman of 66½ Caselli Avenue, as Chairman, expressed their objection to the establishment of a playground in the block bounded by 18th, 19th, Collingwood and Diamond Streets, stating it would be too small, and would not serve their district. They recommended the purchase of a block bounded by 18th, Clover, and Danvers Streets, and Caselli Avenue.

The Chairman of the Recreation Commission explained that the proposed playground will be about 250' x 300' and that the Commission selected the site in question as being the one best suited to the needs of the district. Mr. J.J. Phillips, Director of Property, explained that four pieces of property have been signed up for purchase, and the Commission is obligated to complete the transaction.

A delegation from the Upper Sunset and Golden Gate Heights Improvement Club, with Mr. Richard Meagher Jr. as Chairman, addressed the Commission requesting that the playground at 9th and Ortega Streets be named J. M. Gregory. The Chairman of the Recreation Commission explained that the Commission's policy is not to name playgrounds after living people, and the name Ortega was selected because Jose Francisco de Ortega was a noted Spanish explorer of the San Francisco Bay Region, and the playground is near Ortega Street. It was suggested that a suitably inscribed plaque bearing Mr. J. M. Gregory's name be placed in the playground building at the time of dedication. The Commission decided to retain the name Ortega.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property, recommending that permission be granted the Water Department for the construction of a pipe line across Visitacion Valley Playground. Therefore on motion regularly moved and carried the Commission unanimously passed the following resolution:

> Permission is hereby granted to the San Francisco Water Department to construct, maintain and repair Crystal Springs Pipe Line No. 2 across the Visitacion Playground, at a minimum depth of 24" below the existing ground surface. Upon completion of construction of the pipe line, the permittee shall restore the ground surface to its original condition and shall replace any lawn and sprks which have been removed during construction. To protect the pipe line, the permittor shall not construct any buildings nor plant any trees on the westerly 30 feet of the playground. The center line of the pipe line shall be located 15 feet easterly of the west line of the playground, which latter line is the east line of the portion of Delta Street closed by Resolution No. 2353, adopted by the Board of Supervisors on January 20, 1936.

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Baffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the Director of Property, accordingly.

From Mr. J. J. Phillips inquiring if the Commission wishes to rent the buildings on playground sites until they are ready to start construction. The Superintendent was asked to inform the real estate department what buildings are desirable to rent.

From Mr. Daniel A. Koshland, Chairman General Executive Committee, Community Chest, requesting the Recreation Commission to establish a children's camp near San Francisco. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission is unable to comply with their request at this time.

From Mr. J. S. Dunnigan, Clerk, Board of Supervisors, requesting information relative to the size and development of the Aurora Heights Playground. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From Miss Stella Harris, expressing appreciation for having been appointed Supervisor of Gardening.

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From Mr. E. P. Finigan of A. G. Spalding and Bros., requesting that his company be given an opportunity to do repair work on playground apparatus. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From Mr. W. S. Cooley of the Shopping News, attaching publicity about Camp Mather which appeared in the May 28, 1936 issue.

From Mr. Geo. W. Allen thanking the Commission for the participation of the Recreation Department in the Visitacion Valley Improvement Association's program of May 25, 1936.

From Miss Genevieve Carroll, Principal Yerba Buena School, thanking the Commission for the use of Funston Field House for their annual May Pageant.

Dr. Lee reported the Board of Education is sending a letter of appreciation to the Commission for having transferred land to them for the Junior College site, and whenever this Commission wants their building at 100 Ocean Avenue moved, the Board of Education will gladly do so.

Mr. Laffatto,

On motion of Miss Musgrove, seconded by the following resolutions and financial transactions were unanimously approved:

RESOLUTION ENDORSING JOHN McLAREN DAY

WHEREAS, Mr. John McLaren has served as a most valued member of this Commission since its establishment in 1907, and

WHEREAS, the Department has grown tremendously and the Commission profited greatly by his wealth of experience and kindly counsel through the years, and

WHEREAS, His Honor, Mayor Angelo J. Rossi, has by proclamation set aside the day, Sunday, June 7th, 1936, as The First Annual John McLaren Day, more particularly at this time in fitting observance of the formal dedication of McLaren Park in the Excelsior District,

NOW, THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED that the members of this Commission, as a mark of their affectionate regard and esteem for John McLaren, in appreciation of his efforts in his behalf, his accomplishments of his untiring zeal for over half a century in the beautification of San Francisco and the preservation and expansion of its magnificent park system, hereby heartily endorse the establishment of John McLaren Day and its annual observance, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be spread upon the Minutes and a copy thereof sent to Mr. McLaren.

RESIGNATION, WILLIAM J. LEHMAN

William J. Lehman has submitted reasons as invited to leave for Germany in the near future; and

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

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ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

94 Bay View Land.....$9565.00
95 Eureka Land 5040.00

TRANSFER REQUESTS

93 Contractual to Utilities Commission
Supplementing appropriation for
P. G. and E. bills to end of year.....$ 230.00

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported the Mayor's Office requested this Commission to endorse Children's Day, June 20, 1936, in accordance with the Mayor's Proclamation. The Commission on motion regularly moved and carried, unanimously endorsed June 20, 1936 as Children's Day, and plans will be made to schedule special events throughout the department on that date. The Mayor's Office is to be notified of the Commission's action.

The Superintendent made the three following recommendations concerning playground directors. On motion regularly moved and carried, they were unanimously adopted.

1. That all Recreation Directors be given time off equal to the eleven official holidays.
2. That each playground be considered as a separate unit and that the hours for opening and closing be determined by the needs of the individual playground.
3. That all staff meetings, special programs and special activities be considered part of the official duties of the position.

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent recommended that instead of purchasing a second hand truck for the suitable transportation of the puppet theatre, a trailer be bought, not to exceed $150.00 in cost. On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission unanimously approved the purchase. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Dr. Lee.

The Superintendent reported that the Junior League wishes to thank this department for its cooperation, and hopes for the continuance of helpful relations.

The Superintendent reported that there remained in the Rossi Land appropriation a total of $354.61 which the Controller had been requested to transfer to other accounts for current requirements of the department, and that the Controller had advised that $304.61 had been placed in the delinquency reserve inasmuch as the present reserves for delinquency would be inadequate on the basis of the present estimate of approximately $8700.00. Furthermore, that said amount, if necessary, would be funded through loan procedure from the Controller's cash reserve. In view of these circumstances the Superintendent advised that she saw no objection to the Controller retaining the $304.61 balance indicated.

On motion regularly moved and carried it was decided to adjourn the meeting at 4 P.M. out of respect to the memory of William H. Leahy, and the Secretary was asked to have the following resolution spread on the minutes of the Commission:

IN MEMORIAM WILLIAM H. LEAHY

WHEREAS WILLIAM H. LEAHY has been called to his eternal rest, the Recreation Commission desires to give fitting expression to his wife in her great loss; and

WHEREAS His years of useful and constructive work with the Recreation Commission, his interest in the development of adequate playground areas for the people of this city, and his love and encouragement of music and drama have made him beloved of all San Franciscans; be it

RESOLVED That the Recreation Commission in regular session this day, Wednesday, June 3, 1936 express their profound grief and condole with the community in its great loss; be it further

RESOLVED that the Recreation Commission adjourn this day out of respect to the memory of William H. Leahy and that this resolution be duly signed by the members of the Recreation Commission and be spread upon the minutes of the Board and a copy be forwarded to his bereaved wife.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. June 17, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. William J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Fowleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Chas. F. Traung

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of June 3, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Mrs. Stern extended a warm welcome, on behalf of the Commission, to the two new Commissioners, Mr. Chas. F. Traung, and Mr. Joseph P. Nourse.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Mr. J. A. Ormond, Secretary Board of Education, containing a resolution of appreciation for the Recreation Commission's action in transferring property in the Ingleside Site to them for the San Francisco Junior College.

From Mr. Ernest Heuer, Secretary United Swiss Societies, 2460 Sutter Street, requesting that they be permitted to lease the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove for $50.00 instead of $100.00. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission's expense in connection with leases of this type is approximately $100.00 and therefore they can not reduce their fee.

Mr. A. D. Williams of 73 Hazelwood Avenue, Treasurer, Ingleside United Presbyterian Church, inquiring if the Commission is interested in acquiring their church property at Ocean and Granada Avenues as a recreation center. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission is not in a position to consider this purchase because there is no money available.

From Mr. Don Tressider, President, Yosemite Park and Curry Company, expressing appreciation for publicity in the Shoppers News relative to the pack and saddle animal concession at Yosemite.

From Mr. J. Nadasi of 45 Winfield Street requesting the establishment of a children's playground on Winfield Street in the Bernal Heights District. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission can not consider the establishment of additional playgrounds because there is no money available.

From Mr. Arthur W. Jones, Director of Baseball for the High Schools, thanking the Commission for their cooperation in conducting their league, and also expressing appreciation for the splendid services of Mr. Sweeney.

From Mrs. E. Hoffman, Corresponding Secretary, Sutter P. T. A., inquiring about the expenditure of the $65,000.00 set aside for the Sutter Playground for the fiscal year 1935-1936. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Director of Property will have spent most of that sum by the close of the fiscal year and the Controller has assured us that any unexpended balance will be placed in a Reserve Account to be used for this site next fiscal year.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the following Financial transactions which were approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

No. 96 Equipment ..... $ 50.00
97 Eureka Valley Land 5040.00
98 Eureka Valley Land 5040.00
100 Bay View Playfield 9565.00
101 Eureka Valley Playfield 5040.00
104 Sunset Playfield 5040.00

TRANSFER REQUESTS

No. 97 Personal Services to Contractual ..... $ 1000.00
102 Permanent Janitor 1200.00
103 Rent 1200.00
105 Various Accts. Applies to Rent 1200.00
106 Equipment 1200.00
107 Permanent Salaries to Contractual 1200.00
108 Auto Hire 1200.00
109 Equipment 1200.00
110 Equipment 1200.00
111 Equipment 1200.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Fowleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Traung.

Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended the approval of the following resolution:

IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATION NO. 38, "1936 [illegible] Appropriation Fund."

459.

Lot 12, Assessor's Block 6638, from Mary A. Preston and Thos. A. Preston $5775.00
Title Fee..... 45.00
Appraisal Fee..... 50.00
$5870.00

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung, the above resolution was approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Traung.

The Chairman asked Mr. Traung to serve on the following committees of the Commission, namely, Chairman Finance Committee, and member of the Legal and Civil Service Committee, vice Mr. Coffman. The Chairman also asked Mr. Nourse to accept membership on the Land, Buildings and Grounds Committee, and the Camp Committee, vice Dr. Lee. Both Commissioners accepted the appointments.

Mr. Traung made a motion that on and after September 1, 1936, the policy of the Commission is not to exclusively lease the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove on Sundays to any special group but to allow its use to the public at large. The motion was seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Traung.

The Superintendent reported that the balance in this department's funds on June 12 was $5670.64 of which $5300.00 is encumbered, leaving a balance of $370.64 to be used for miscellaneous expenses for the rest of the month.

The Chairman requested the Finance Committee Chairman to take up with Mr. Byington, President, Public Utilities Commission, the possibility of this department securing the continued use of the Crocker Amazon property without paying a rental fee, and also obtaining free water for Crocker Amazon and all new playground sites.

The Superintendent reported the Francis Scott Key Parent Teacher Association has again requested the Commission to supervise the former Francis Scott Key School property at 42d and 43d Avenues, Irving and Judah Streets, which contains a building suitable for community center activities. She recommended that the Commission secure the use of the property. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, and unanimously carried, the Commission asked the Secretary to send a formal request to the Board of Education that they transfer the former Francis Scott Key School property to the Recreation Commission. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Traung.

The Superintendent read a letter from Mr. Pack dated June 4, her reply of June 6, and a second letter from Mr. Pack dated June 16, 1936 relative to his request that overtime be applied on his vacation. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the Superintendent's action. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Traung.

Mr. Raffetto, Chairman of the Land, Buildings and Grounds Committee, reported that he and the Superintendent looked over city property belonging to the Board of Education in the Richmond and Sunset Districts which they would like to recommend be transferred to this department. Mr. Raffetto also recommended the acquisition of a piece of property 137 feet square at Great Avenue and Filbert Street for a small children's playground. The Chairman recommended that Mr. Raffetto and the Superintendent talk over the recommendations with Mr. C. J. Phillips, and report at a future meeting.

The Superintendent advised that advance camp registrations have been so numerous this year that by June 30, 1936 our Camp Revenues will cause our Recreation Department revenues to be exceeded by approximately $2000.00. It is desirable to set up a trust fund so that all Camp Revenues can be spent on Camp Operation, Maintenance or capital expenditures. She recommended that the Controller be asked to establish a trust fund for Camp Mather at Great Highway, and to supplement the account to permit the camp to be run as a separate entity.

The Superintendent was authorized to write the Controller relative to the matter requesting an interview with the Camp and Finance Committee Chairmen.

The Superintendent stated she would take up with the Finance Chairman the matter of increasing the amount of our department Revolving Fund.

The Superintendent presented the Commission the proposed ordinance covering the Concession Department, and requested that similar ordinances be created for other departments. The Commissioners expressed the desirability of

The Commission directed the Superintendent to draft, in sufficient time for the Commission meeting, an amendment to the City Charter calling the Commission's attention to the Playground Rules, which is to be approved by the Commission before submission to the voters.

The Superintendent requested the Commission to two events to which they have been invited, namely, the presentation of Pageantry by the Mothers' Club at Sigmund Stern Grove, and the entertainment by the Welsh Societies at Golden Gate Park on June 21, 1936.

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Attention was directed to the fact that this department during the year 1933 initiated a move to create the position of Business Manager of the Recreation Department but for various reasons this has not been accomplished. The Civil Service Commission did during the year 1934 establish the classification of Chief Clerk for the Recreation Department but the position has never been filled. The duties of Business Manager are now being performed, and have been performed for some three years past, by Mr. McElvaney whose present Civil Service title is B-351, Supervisor of Recreation Supplies and Equipment.

It was felt that the duties and responsibilities of this position not only justify but make imperative creation of the classification of Business Manager at this time.

Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung, and unanimously carried, the Superintendent was, and she is hereby authorized and directed to request of the Civil Service Commission the reclassification of the position of Chief Clerk to that of Business Manager, Recreation Department, at compensation in keeping with the duties and responsibilities thereof.

Miss Mosgrove reported the Commission has a compensation insurance case, namely Joseph E. Collard, and this department has paid $1563.87 from December 1932 through April 1936 for medical, hospitalization, and compensation fees. His case may be a psychopathic one. The Superintendent was asked to secure detailed information about this case from Mr. Ralph Nelson, Secretary-Actuary Retirement System, and Mr. J. J. O'Toole, City Attorney, and then submit the findings to Father Powleson for his consideration.

Mr. Merchant presented plans of the Ocean View field House, and the newest lay-out of the Crocker Amazon Site. He further reported that the W.P.A. are working at present on sixteen of the twenty-eight projects submitted by the Recreation Department. He also reported that a new list of recommendations has been submitted to the W.P.A. for approval.

Miss Mosgrove reported she and the Superintendent visited Camp Mather over the June 14 week-end, and the camp was being operated in an excellent manner.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. July 1, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Charles F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of June 17, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mr. J. A. Ormond, Secretary Board of Education, stating the Commission's request for the transfer of the Francis Scott Key School property was referred to their Superintendent for investigation and report.

From Mr. Richard P. Gorman of 108 Culebra Terrace, Secretary North Beach Promotion Association, requesting the Commission to develop an athletic field in the block bounded by Taylor, Jones, Beach and Jefferson Streets, a portion of which is city property. The Superintendent stated that an athletic field in this district is needed. The request was referred to Mr. Raffetto for further investigation.

From Mr. C. Redsted-Pedersen of 98 Oak Street, thanking the Commission for their cooperation in the recent Danish Festival at the Sigmund Stern Grove.

From Mr. John H. Esselink, of 1437 Hopkins Street, Oakland, a member of Professor Wayne Fox's party which made a geological field trip to Hetch Hetchy under the auspices of the University of California Extension Division, commending the Commission on its operation of Camp Mather.

Two copies of letters were read, one from Mr. E. G. Cahill, Manager of Utilities, to Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, and the other from Mr. Casey to Mr. W. H. Worden, Director Department of Public Works, giving the information that the plans to remove the tracks on 19th Avenue, the construction of a fill on 20th Avenue, also the rerouting of the Sigmund Stern Grove Road, have been abandoned.

A resolution from Mrs. Elizabeth B. Cassidy, Secretary, Crescent District Improvement Club, requesting the Commission to construct a pedestrian walk through St. Mary's Park Playground. The Superintendent stated that such a walk would be impractical, and detrimental to the playground. She was asked to investigate the original plans at the time Benton Street was officially closed. The matter was referred to Mr. Raffetto.

A petition was received from Mr. P. Simone, of 3616 Army Street, requesting the Commission to establish a playground in the neighborhood bounded by Twenty-fourth, Twenty-ninth, Church and Valencia Streets. Mr. Simone informed the Commission he realized they are unable to do anything at this time, but requests that it be considered as soon as possible. The request was referred to Mr. Raffetto for investigation.

The following resolution was on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, unanimously approved:

WHEREAS, certain contracts or agreements under date of June 18, 1936 have been negotiated with the firm of Hunter and Hudson, Engineers, and with H. F. Brunnier, Structural Engineer, covering the development of plans, specifications, drawings and estimates on projected buildings and improvements on Rossi Playground for the sums of $800.00 and $1,800.00 respectively; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are now available in current appropriations of the Recreation Department;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that the aforementioned contracts be and they are hereby in all respects approved, ratified and confirmed.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended the approval of the following resolutions:

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION NO. 30 CORONA HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND
Appropriation 513.600.09
Lot 24, Assessor's Block 2621, from Leontine B. McMillan and Robert F. McMillan.....$200.00
Title Fee..... 12.50
$ 212.50

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION NO. 40, EUREKA VALLEY PLAYGROUND
Appropriation 513.600.04

Independent appraisals for the Director of Property made by Fredwin H. Somers of land and buildings known as 4220-19th Street, owned by Lucille McKeever, and 152-152-A Collingwood Street, owned by the Estate of E. J. N. Steinweg, required by the City and County of San Francisco for the above playground.

Total Appraisal Fees.....$100.00

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION, NO. 41, EUREKA VALLEY PLAYGROUND
Appropriation 513.600.04

Lot 10, Assessor's Block 2694, from Emma Brooks, Administratrix of the Estate of Emma J. N. Steinweg, deceased.

Land.....	$ 2500.00
Title Fee.....	27.50
	$ 2527.50

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the above resolutions were approved for payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren.

The following financial transactionswhich were approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting were on motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, unanimously approved as presented.

Allotment Requests

#112	Corona Heights Land.....	$ 5870.00

Transfer Requests

#113	Equipment.....to	Permanent Salaries.....	$ 190.00
114	Contractual.....to	Temporary Salaries.....	50.00
115	Rossi Land.....to	Temporary Salaries.....	50.00
116	Materials.....to	Wages.....	400.00
117	Camp Permanent Salaries to	Camp Materials.....	223.00
118	Camp Temporary Salaries to	Camp Equipment.....	107.00
119	Camp Wages to	Camp Equipment.....	37.00
120	Camp Contractual..... to	Camp Materials.....	207.00
121	Permanent Salaries.... to	Temporary Salaries.....	136.03

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported she spoke to Mr. Phillips relative to securing the use of several school lots for recreation purposes. He informed her that he will not release any of them until he receives a complete report from this department.

The Superintendent reported she is working on the proposed amendment relative to the Commission's powers and duties, and expects to have it in shape in the near future.

The Superintendent reported she spoke to Mr. O'Toole regarding the Joseph E. Collard compensation insurance case. He advised the Superintendent to submit the complete history of the case to him and he will take it up with Mr. Ralph Nelson, Secretary-Actuary, Retirement System, and see if a satisfactory adjustment can be made.

The Superintendent presented a detailed report prepared by Mr. McElvaney, showing the financial status of the Recreation Department's Accounts as of June 30, 1936 which indicates that by careful planning practically all of the amounts in the various appropriations have been expended leaving a small amount to revert to the General Fund.

The Chairmen of the Finance and Camp Committees stated they had visited the Controller, and advise the department to cooperate in every way with the Bureau of Supplies in regard to all purchases.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Clifford Nelson, Supervisor of Visual Recreation is planning to make another High Sierra trip this year and wants to concentrate on the taking of suitable moving pictures, to add to our Recreation Department's films, and he therefore wishes to limit the number of boys accompanying him, to six. The boys pay $7.50 each toward the expense of the trip. Formerly the trips have been financed by private funds, but it is necessary this year to secure the balance of the money needed which is approximately $78.50, from the Recreation Department. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung and unanimously carried, the Commission authorized the expenditure of approximately $78.50 to finance the Trip. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren.

The Commission asked that the boys be requested to send to them a resume' of their impressions of the trip.

The Superintendent reported that Miss Gertrude Freese has been ill for three months, having injured her knee. She would like to report back to work but can not be very active. The Superintendent was authorized to assign her to whatever position she feels is best suited for her.

Mr. Merchant presented several plans showing the interior and exterior drawings of the Rossi Playground building. He mentioned that working drawings for several projects are ready.

The Superintendent stated that this department is submitting to Mr. Healy requests for working drawings for the completion of all our recreation
for money

areas now under construction.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vera F. Conway

Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

Recreation Commission

San Francisco, July 15, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. John P. Nourse

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of July 1, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

The Secretary reported that the Commission's official letter to the Board of Supervisors dated August 7, 1928 requesting the closing of Benton Avenue, and the Board of Supervisor's Resolution No. 29,682 New Series, closing and abandoning Benton Avenue, made no provision for a pedestrian walk through St. Mary's Park Playground. Mr. J. J. Phillips confirmed the fact that there was no intention of providing a walk through the playground. The Secretary was instructed to notify Mrs. Elizabeth B. Cassidy, Secretary of the Crescent District Improvement Club, accordingly.

The following financial transactions which were approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, unanimously approved as presented.

Allotment Requests

122	Eureka Land	$ 2627.50
123	Corona "	212.50
2	Temporary Salaries - July	1150.00
3	Pianists	300.00
4	M & S - Athletic Supplies	6000.00
5	Equipment	500.00
6	Permanent Salaries - Camp - July & August	2621.00
7	Temporary " " " "	4680.00
8	Wages " " "	450.00
9	Contractual Services " " "	2260.00
10	Materials and Supplies " " "	600.00
11	Foodstuffs " " "	10830.00

Transfer Requests

1	M & S to Temp. Salaries	3400.00
12	M & S to Equipment - Camp	210.00
13	M & S to Purchaser - Oil & Gas	1200.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

The Superintendent reported she saw Mr. Brooks relative to purchasing procedure. Communications had been received from the Controller and Bureau of Supplies indicating that all requisitions for supplies for 1935-1936 must be submitted before July 1, 1936 to be approved for the fiscal year 1935-1936. This office complied by sending these in by June 25, 1936. Nevertheless several orders were returned to us, and we were informed that they should have been submitted earlier. Therefore, additional money from the Recreation Department's funds reverted to the General Fund. Mr. Brooks recommended to the Superintendent that, in order to prevent a recurrence of this next year, she place orders of this type early in June, marked hold, and thus make it possible to use up the balance of our budget funds.

The Superintendent reported the necessity of reallocating budget items for 1936-1937 to correspond with funds available. She stated she will discuss this with Mr. Traung.

The Superintendent reported that the W.P.A. lawyer is still working on the proposed charter amendment relative to the Commission's powers and duties. The Commission suggested that he avoid any conflict with other sections of the Charter and include within the amendment the relationship between this department and the Board of Supervisors, Controller, and other city departments.

The Superintendent reported that at times our letters which are sent to City Departments are misplaced, and it has necessitated sending duplicates. The Commission suggested remedying this situation by requesting that all documents be signed for by those receiving them.

The Superintendent further reported that she went to the Corona Heights site to see the condition of the landslide, and requested Mr. Phillips to hold in abeyance the consummation of the transaction transferring the ownership of the property to the city until a report is received from the City Engineering Department regarding it.

The Superintendent reported the Civil Service Commission is deferring action on the positions held by Mr. McElvaney and Mr. Meares until the survey which Mr. T. A. Toomey, Assistant Personnel Expert, is making, is completed. The Recreation Commission suggested that the Superintendent go over the survey when submitted, and then invite Mr. Toomey to sit in with the Commission and

discuss his recommendations before they are sent to the Civil Service Commission.

The Superintendent also reported that the Archbishop of San Francisco had sent a representative to see her requesting permission to hold mass in camp and that the Priest reside at Camp Mather as soon as a cabin is available.

On motion of Mr. Treung, which was seconded by Father Bowlesen, and unanimously carried, the Commission decided that this matter be referred to Miss Randall with full power to act. Ayes: Mrs. Sherr, Miss Musgrave, Mr. Treung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Bowlesen, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

The Superintendent reported a request was received from an owner of a public address system that he be permitted to call off the scores of the Margaret S. Hayward Playground evening baseball games, and in return be allowed to advertise several firms. The Commissioners were unanimously opposed to this proposition.

The Superintendent reported Mr. J. A. Middleman recommended that five sites located on the Embarcadero and beneath the bridge approaches, and owned by the State, be converted into recreation areas for the use of employees working along the Embarcadero. The matter was referred to the Land Committee for investigation.

The Superintendent reported the advisability of submitting a new project to the W.P.A., namely to make name signs for all the playgrounds. The Commission approved the recommendation, but advised that the request that they be similar in design to the one at the James Rolph Jr. Playground.

The Superintendent presented the Pageant of Mount Prospectus for the 1938 Exposition which is ready for printing. She suggested that the Commission ask Mr. Alfred J. Cleary, Chief Administrator, to secure the necessary money from the publicity and advertising fund for printing at least 3000 copies. The Commissioners made several suggestions relative to the prospectus, one that colored layouts be used in place of black and white, and that if funds permitted, additional copies be printed.

The Superintendent reported the Board of Directors of the Industrial Division of the Recreation Department have devoted considerable time to the work of that Division, and it was Mr. Shearer's suggestion that they meet the Commissioners informally at luncheon on a Wednesday preceding the Commission's regular meeting. The Commissioners expressed their approval, and plan to set a date in the near future.

W. . . Brooks, Purchaser of Supplies, recommended that when new buildings are needed for the playground activities be placed out requisitions well in advance so that sufficient time will be allowed for specifications and other details. The Superintendent reported the Glen Park and Ocean Beach buildings will need furnishing soon, and the Commission will have to budget the money for this through the Board's office. The Secretary directed to assist in furnishing the buildings.

[illegible] reported that [illegible] will be available for [illegible] the grounds [illegible] have been completed. He recommended that application [illegible] be made for construction of a comfort station and [illegible] Beach [illegible] and [illegible] be [illegible].

[illegible] reported that the [illegible] installation of a [illegible] Playground [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] be [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] reported that the [illegible] awarded [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] reported that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

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San Francisco.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. August 19, 1936.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. in Room 370 City Hall, with Mr. Chas. Traung presiding.

Present: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Bourse
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of July 15, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mr. Andrew J. Gallagher, Industrial Director, Southern Promotion Association, 461 Market Street, requesting an opinion on the acquisition of the Howe property at Kirkwood and McKinnon Avenues, Third and Mendell Streets, for an adult baseball field. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission has no funds to buy the property suggested.

Two resolutions, one from the North Beach Merchants' Association and the other from the Salesian Boys' Mothers' Club urging the Commission to establish a baseball field in the North Beach District. The matter was referred to Mr. Raffetto for investigation and report at the next Commission meeting.

From Mr. Salvatore D'Arcelo of 2138 Mason Street, submitting an estimate of the amount required to repair damage to his property caused by handball players at the North Beach Annex. The Superintendent reported the Commission has submitted a request to the W.P.A. that the walls of the handball court be constructed, and this installation will protect the adjoining property. She recommended until this work is performed, that handball be prohibited. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Superintendent was unanimously authorized to notify the directors to suspend handball activities until the courts are completed. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Bourse, Mr. McLaren.

From an anonymous resident complaining about the establishment of a beer tavern at 842 Valencia Street near Mission Playground. The Superintendent reported she received a letter from Mr. Charles Skelly, Secretary Board of Police Commissioners, stating his office has no record of a proposed application for a permit at that address, and that he has sent her objections to the State Board of Equalization. The Superintendent mentioned the Commission's policy is to protest the establishment of a beer parlor within 250 feet of a playground. She also reported that there is a beer establishment across from the Levi Strauss Playground and the Commission has protested its maintenance. The Commission decided that Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Traung and the Superintendent call on Mr. John C. Corbett of the State Board of Equalization. The Superintendent was asked to make the necessary appointment.

Copy of a letter from the City Engineer to the Manager of Public Utilities, dated August 17, 1936, informing him that the tracks on 15th Avenue between Lawton Street and Ulloa Boulevard are to be moved from their present location to the center of the new sewer to be constructed.

From Joseph Lyons, Recreation Department employee, requesting a hearing before the Commission. The Superintendent reports that before he had been laid off on April 6, 1936, all plastering was completed, and there is no additional plastering work to be done at this time. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously decided to grant Mr. Joseph Lyons a hearing at the next Commission meeting. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Bourse, Mr. McLaren.

From Dr. Jacques [illegible], Assistant Medical Director's report of Camp Mather, and a laboratory report on water supply examination, concerning the Commission on the Physical Education activities. The Commission suggested that an excerpt from this report be [illegible] for newspaper publicity.

From Dr. J. M. Dyer and Mr. [illegible] expressing appreciation for their enjoyable vacation at Camp Mather.

From Mrs. [illegible], Chairman Women's Auxiliary, Allied Courts, complimenting the Commission on its foresight in the establishment of the Sigmund Stern Grove, and expressing appreciation for a recent visit made there.

From Mr. F. A. Healey, [illegible] requesting that [illegible] to participate in the 11th Annual [illegible], October 2-11, 1936. The Superintendent reported that the principal expense for this is labor and transportation. It will cost the department approximately $400 for labor and transportation. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. [illegible], the Commission unanimously granted Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. [illegible] to place a playground exhibit in the [illegible] October 2 - 11, 1936. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Bourse, Mr. [illegible].

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From Walter Evans, Director Educational Division of Bell and Howland, informing Mr. Clifford Nelson that the "Mountain Symphony" was given the place of honor at the Motion Picture Forum held in Beverly Hills in July 1936.

From Supervisor Frank Havenner introducing Mr. Otto Bostelmann, President of the Oasis Drink Vending Corporation. He would like to install machines on the playgrounds. The Secretary was asked to inform Mr. Bostelmann that a Commission policy prevents the establishment of concessions on the playgrounds.

The Superintendent reported the Real Estate Department would like to close the Corona Heights purchase, but she deferred action upon visiting the site with Mr. Merchant, until reports were received relative to the landslide. The City Engineer's office stated it would cost approximately $700.00 for the contour map and engineering survey. Mr. Hyde Forbes, Geologist, estimated the cost of the geological survey not to exceed $150.00. The Superintendent recommended that the cost of this survey be paid, if possible, from the Corona Heights land appropriation. A contour map of Corona Heights is available and therefore only the geological survey is necessary.

The Superintendent further reported that the geological study is necessary to insure the safety of development. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Superintendent was unanimously authorized to employ Mr. Hyde Forbes' services for a sum not to exceed $150.00 to perform geological work on Corona Heights as specified in his letter of August 5, 1936. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Commission called on Mr. Clyde Healy, who expressed his willingness to assign W.P.A. workers to remove the boulders causing the danger on 15th Street. The Commission authorized Miss Randall to work out the necessary details for this work with Mr. Healy, and instructed Mr. Riordan of the Real Estate Department to proceed with the purchase, holding it in the title office until final action is taken between the Recreation Department and Mr. Healy.

Mr. Eugene Riordan reported that an offer had been received by the Real Estate Department on a parcel of city property under the Board of Education's control. This parcel lies between 7th and 8th Avenues and Kirkham and Lawton Streets, and is 150 x 240 feet in size. Adjoining this parcel to the south on 7th Avenue is another piece of city owned property under control of the Public Utilities Commission. This latter parcel has a frontage of 211 feet on 7th Avenue and is 83 feet in depth. Inasmuch as these two parcels would make a very desirable play area it was decided by the Commission on motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. McLaren, that the Real Estate Department be requested to urge the Board of Education and the Public Utilities Commission not to offer the property on 7th Avenue between Kirkham and Lawton Streets for sale, because the Recreation Commission contemplates acquiring it for play purposes. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

Mr. Nourse reported the Board of Education passed a motion that the City Engineer be asked to draw plans for removing the Francis Scott Key School Annex to the new school site, and convert it into an auditorium. The Francis Scott Key P.T.A. is opposed to this. However, until the Education Board makes its decision in this matter, Mr. Nourse is not free to make a recommendation relative to the transfer of the property to the Recreation Department as requested on June 17, 1936.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the following financial transactions, passed by the Superintendent since last meeting, were unanimously approved:

Acct. No.	Name of Account	Amount
14	Tan Bark	$ 2,850.00
15	Museum Cases	10.00
17	Lawn Mower	25.00
20	Temporary Salaries - Auguist	1,000.00
21	" " (1935-1936)	33,400.00
22	" " (1936-1937)	10,400.00
23	Compensation (Completion)	1,500.00
12	Auto Tire	11.00
16	Lawn Mowers	400.00

[illegible] Department

[illegible]	Park Fund to Park Retirement	$ 300.00
[illegible]	Permanent [illegible] Temporary Salaries	2,447.88

[illegible] Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the following transfer [illegible] unanimously approved:

[illegible] Department - Appropriation $18,400.00

Display Cases for Junior Museum	$ 100.00
Auto Trailer for Carpentry	100.00
	$ 200.00

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Mr. J. J. Phillips recommended the approval of the following purchase:

No. 43 Eureka Valley Playground - Appropriation $13,600.04
Lot 15, Assessor's Block 2604 purchased from Peter B. Murphy and Anne Murphy

Land	$ 3,250.00
Title Fee	32.50
Appraisal Fee	50.00
	$ 3,332.50

No. 44 Sunset Playground - Appropriation 13,600.08
To set up encumbrance to accommodate payments in condemnation proceedings of real estate in Sunset District for playground purposes. $42,800.00

No. 45 Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove - Appropriation 13,200.00
Overhaul, repair and service motor and pump and replace housing $ 135.00

Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Traung reported the Controller informed the department that the Recreation Commission has no authority to sign contracts. Therefore it is necessary for Miss Randall to request that an ordinance be passed giving the Commission the right to sign contracts.

On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Father Powleson, the Superintendent was authorized to confer with Mr. Leonard Leavy or the necessary city authority to provide ways and means for the Recreation Commission to function as they have in the past, in making contracts. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Commission was informed by the Superintendent that the contract with Mr. Wm. C. Merchant, Consulting Architect, expires on September 6, 1936. Miss Randall reviewed the progress that had been made under the existing arrangement, stating that the service rendered had been highly satisfactory, and recommended that the contract be renewed for the ensuing twelve months, especially since a great deal of preliminary planning is necessary in connection with the W.P.A. program for this department.

Upon motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, it was unanimously voted that the Superintendent's recommendation be approved and she was authorized to negotiate a renewal of the contract with Mr. Merchant for the ensuing twelve months upon the same terms and conditions, namely, compensation not to exceed $4800.00 per annum. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

The Superintendent called the Commission's attention to a newspaper item stating that a meeting is to be held to remove charter conflicts with State laws, and that the committee would include F. V. Keesling, Mr. Leavy, John J. O'Toole, Leonard Leavy and two Supervisors. Mr. Traung stated he will see Mr. Keesling relative to the proposed charter revision pertaining to the Recreation Department.

The Superintendent reported that she received valuable assistance from Mr. Frank Jones, Part-time Playground Director who has passed his examination. In the proposed draft of the Charter revisions governing this department. The above mentioned provisions were read in their entirety, and the Commission decided upon the motion of [illegible] Special meeting of the Commission be called for Wednesday, August 26, 1936 at [illegible] p.m. all for the purpose of expediting the Charter revisions.

The Superintendent was instructed to request Mr. [illegible] to make a preliminary decision on the proposed Charter revisions governing this department.

The Superintendent recommended that the matter be referred to Henry Rossi for his consideration.

On motion of Mr. [illegible], seconded by [illegible], the Commission approved an item of $[illegible] for [illegible] Golden Gate International Exposition, [illegible] official statement of the Recreation [illegible] Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. [illegible].

The Superintendent reported [illegible] W.P.A. allotment [illegible] 27th and Douglass Streets, [illegible] eating these will be $7,800. [illegible] take up the matter of the [illegible] Superintendent was asked to make an [illegible].

The Superintendent reported a request was received from [illegible] Department consider setting aside the [illegible] 1800 feet long over the [illegible] that she had received a report that the [illegible] retaining the pier. [illegible]

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The Superintendent reported Mr. Wm. Harrington, labor foreman, was injured in the course of his duties and later a malignant tumor developed. He was operated on for this, and took his case before the Industrial Accident Commission. Mr. Ralph Nelson, Secretary-Actuary Retirement System reported that he approved a compromise settlement of $1276.77. The Recreation Department is therefore obliged to pay this item. The Superintendent was asked to investigate if there is any possibility of appealing a decision made by Mr. Nelson.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda Y. Conning
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. August 26, 1936.

SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. for the purpose of approving proposed Charter provisions governing the Recreation Department. Mrs. Sigmund Stern presided.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Kosgrove
Mr. Chas. P. Young
Mr. William Raffetto
Mr. John Mclaren

Absent: Father Leo W. Rowlason
Mr. Joseph P. Mourse

Mr. John J. O'Toole, City Attorney, appeared before the Commission and reported that he had conferred with Mr. Leonard Leavy, Controller, relative to the contracts the Commission has submitted for approval, namely, Mr. W. P. Merchant's contract, and several for working drawings on W.P.A. projects. The Controller has assured him they will be approved.

The City Attorney further reported that in the near future he will see that the necessary ordinance is presented to the Board of Supervisors for approval granting the Recreation Commission the authority to enter general contracts including those referring to building construction and playground improvements.

He also recommended that prior to the November election, the Commission should submit its proposed Charter provisions in order that they may come up for approval if a special election on Charter amendments is held between November 15, 1936 and January 1, 1937, in time for ratification by the 1937 legislature.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda Y. Conning
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

Recreation Commission

San Francisco, September 2, 1936

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Father Leo W. Fowlesco

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of August 19, and 26, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From the Longfellow Mt. Vernon Improvement Club, and a copy of a similar one which had been sent to the Mayor's Office, asking that a swimming pool be built in the Crocker Amazon Playground which is under construction. The Secretary was asked to reply that there are no funds available for construction work.

From Mr. A. J. Gallagher of the Southern Promotion Association requesting an opinion from the Recreation Commission as to the advisability of acquiring the Howe property at Kirkwood Avenue and Third Street for adult recreation purposes. The Secretary was instructed to reply.

Two letters relative to the excellent management at Camp Mather. One was from Miss Annie Woodall, President Berkeley Recreation Commission, and the other from Mr. A.V. Brady of 2901 Buchanan Street.

From Mr. J. J. Phillips notifying the department he has received an offer from Mr. L. A. Babrooke to sell a small piece of property, the three boundaries of which are 25 feet, 40 feet, and 30 feet plus, respectively, adjoining the Ortega Playground. He inquired if the Recreation Department is interested in acquiring it. The Superintendent reported it would be a desirable acquisition because it would furnish access to the playground from 19th Avenue. The Superintendent was asked to secure information relative to the cost of acquiring same.

The Superintendent reported that although she has been notified that the contracts referred to in the August 26 Commission meeting will be approved, she has not received them as yet from the City Attorney. She was advised to withhold any work relative to these contracts until they are signed.

Mr. Traung reported he saw Mr. [illegible] relative to this department's Charter revisions. He assured Mr. Traung that this Department will be reached well enough in advance regarding this matter.

The Superintendent reported she received a letter from Mr. [illegible] of the Russell Pierce Foundation advising that the proposed [illegible] and stating New York's World's Fair will include some real and true Recreation Exhibits and Demonstrations similar to those proposed in San Francisco are being planned. The Superintendent was instructed to write to Mr. Hanmer, and if feasible, to visit the other cities and inspect their plans. On motion of Mr. Traung, which was seconded by [illegible], the Commission unanimously requested that the Superintendent's recommendations [illegible] and that she confer with Mr. Hanmer to have specific [illegible] San Francisco Recreation Commission and the Russell Pierce Foundation.

Mr. Merchant stated it is not yet [illegible] Ingleside athletic field will be [illegible] which adjoins our property. Mr. [illegible] St. Cloud, and see if he can [illegible] Sawyer, City Architect.

Mr. Merchant gave a progress report [illegible] Ortega Playground & [illegible] constructed. At [illegible] walls and [illegible] not completed but plans [illegible] the earth to be removed.

The Commission requests [illegible] chase be withheld until [illegible]

The Superintendent stated [illegible] that the rocks are not required.

Miss Mosgrove reports that [illegible] recommends that certain [illegible] Mather be made at this time [illegible] the improvements will be [illegible] specifically appropriated for [illegible]

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Miss Randall advised that she, in company with Mr. Merchant, had gone over all the proposed improvements at camp, and felt that they were extremely desirable.

After some discussion, upon motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS certain improvements to the dining room and kitchen at Camp Mather are extremely desirable at this time for the efficient operation of Camp, and

WHEREAS available funds appropriated for purposes of Camp Mather in the current fiscal year are inadequate to make improvements by approximately $3500.00, and

WHEREAS the Controller has signified his purpose to make available to the department for Camp Mather any items of revenue in excess of revenues originally estimated for Camp Mather,

BE IT RESOLVED that the improvements enumerated are hereby authorized and approved, and the Superintendent is directed to transfer funds not to exceed $3500.00 from available surplus in departmental appropriations to Camp Mather appropriations, and further, with approval of the Finance Committee of the Recreation Commission,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent be directed to take up with the Controller the matter of making available surpluses in camp revenues, as above mentioned.

Ayes: Mrs. Sherr, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Rosen.

Mr. Center further reported the desirability of enlarging camp to take care of 300 people per day instead of 200 as at present, thereby increasing the surplus revenue. This result revenue was $25,000.00.

The Commission congratulated Mr. Center on his splendid management of camp.

The Superintendent reported that she and Mr. Merchant made an official visit to Camp Mather for the purpose of investigating the recommended improvements now in the budget. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McCarthy the Commission approved the payment of the U. C. for board and lodging for the two days August 21 and August 22, 1936 that Miss Mosgrove, Miss Randall and Mr. Mr. Merchant spent at Camp Mather in making their official visit. Ayes: Mrs. Sherr, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. McCarthy, Mr. Rosen.

The Superintendent reported that the Controller has requested a complete financial and statistical report of Camp Mather for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1936. In order to get a detailed report on operation of Camp Mather it was decided that the Superintendent investigate the matter and report to the Commission.

The Superintendent reported that the University of California Band would play at the Stadium on September 12th, 1936 at 8:15 P.M. and requested that the Commission authorize the payment of $50.00 for the band. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. McCarthy, the Commission approved the payment of $50.00 for the band.

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The Superintendent reported that in 1933 a nine year old boy was hit by a swing on the Levi Strauss Playground and he died. It is a question whether the accident or the illness caused the death. The Superintendent and Commissioners who signed the 1931 are also sued. The City Attorney's Office is handling the case.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Zeta P. Traung

Secretary

Recreation Commission

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 2, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

Mr. J. J. Phillips informed the Commission the small parcel of land on 8th Avenue adjoining Ortega Playground would cost approximately $275.00 to purchase. The Commission stated they have no money at the present time with which to acquire this land.

Mr. Phillips recommended the consummation of the Corona Heights Playground purchase at this time. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously authorized the entire purchase of Corona Heights land to be completed immediately. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the following financial transactions, passed by the Superintendent since last meeting, were unanimously approved:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

No. 30	Wages	September	$1,800.00
31	Materials	September	2,000.00
32	Auto Hire	September	225.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following improvement resolutions were approved and ordered paid:

No. 46 CORONA HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND Appropriation $13,600.00
Lots 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and 34, in Assessor's Block 2621, from John McGaw..... $ 1800.00
Title Fee..... 25.00
$ 1825.00

No. 47 GRATTAN PLAYGROUND Appropriation $13,600.00
Lot 25 in Assessor's Block 1293, from May Stellick..... $ 6000.00
Title Fee.... 45.00
$ 6045.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported that the bills for garage rental of city owned cars had not been paid since July 1, and were being held pending approval of the following resolution. She stated the matter was discussed with Mr. L. S. Ross, Controller's Office.

Therefore, upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, it is necessary in the interests of efficiency and economy to rent certain garage space for regular automotive equipment owned and operated by the Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, such rentals are now being paid by accounts to the parties indicated below:

(Dodge Tr 11-4744) A. Walker, 41 Natoma St. 12.00
(Ford Cp 11-4779) Walter S. [illegible], 1458 Polk St. 7.00

(Ford Tr [illegible]-4554) Mrs. J. [illegible], 1414 Fulton St. 4.00
(Ford Cp 11-4746) Andrew Jordan, 14 Sycamore St. 5.00
(Buick S 11-4044) Mrs. Jessie A. Silvey, 4[illegible] Alabama St. 5.00
(Toro Mow 11-3403) T. [illegible], 4[illegible] 22nd Ave.
Rent $ 5.00
Power 2.00 7.00

(Chev. S 11-3758) L. G. Meeker, 534 [illegible] Ave. 5.00
(Dodge Cp 25-6877) Mrs. Maria T. [illegible], 21 Persia 5.00
(Mack Tr 11-3728) University Mound, 1[illegible] Dewey (Garage) 12.00
$ 62.00

THEREFORE, Resolved that the above rentals are hereby authorized and approved; and

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RESOLVED FURTHER that the Superintendent be, and she is hereby authorized to make any additional or emergency garage rental allowances as and when it may be found necessary to do so.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung, the Superintendent was unanimously instructed, effective October 1, 1936, to have all city owned automotive equipment, for which there is a garage rental charge, housed in either public or private garages which do not belong to city employees.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported that she is still awaiting receipt of Mr. Merchant's and two other working drawing contracts from the City Attorney's office. They are expected to be completed today.

The Superintendent reported that, after conferring with Mr. Frank Fenton, Attorney for the Controller, it is necessary to pass the following resolution in order that the emergency work which is necessary at Camp Mather, and which is estimated to cost $5266.00, can be started immediately.

Upon motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following improvement resolution No. 48 was unanimously approved:

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY
CAMP MATHER WORK

Sec. 10 of Contract Procedure Ordinance No. 9.0871

WHEREAS, the physical condition of the buildings and premises at Camp Mather is such as to demand immediate repair and reconditioning before the winter season sets in; and

WHEREAS, Miss Randall, after conferences with Norman Center and Mr. Merchant, has advised that an actual emergency exists at Camp Mather created by weather and other unforeseen conditions of unusual character as well as by a rapid deterioration of structures, necessitating immediate emergency repairs and reconditioning of said properties situated at Camp Mather, and that such repairs, reconditioning and emergency work should be executed in the most expeditious manner, by the Recreation Department; and

WHEREAS, the scope of such emergency work is as follows:

1. Covering of dining room floor with Masonite (presswood).
2. Covering of kitchen, pantries, cafeteria counter and dishwashing room with battleship linoleum.
3. Re-roofing of entire lodge and roofing of proposed addition - entailing the removal of the present shake roof, the sheathing of the kitchen roof, the covering of all of solid sheated roof with one ply roofing paper and cedar shingles.
4. Painting of shingled roof.
5. Ceil and side present kitchen with panel board.
6. Build new cafeteria counter and back counters.
7. Build various dish closets, cupboard, work tables, mop closets, linen closets, etc., for kitchen and cafeteria counter.
8. Partition off dining room bay from floor to ceiling with panel board - bay to be used as pantry and personnel dining room and discharge place for dumb waiter.
9. Install dumb waiter to carry dishes to and from first floor dishwashing room.
10. Side present storeroom with panel board and galvanized metal; build necessary dish and cleaning tables and cupboards for use as dishwashing room.
11. Install wash bowls and lockers in basement for use of kitchen and dining room personnel.
12. Change water heaters, storage tanks, sinks, sewers, etc., to degree necessary to serve alterations.
13. Consolidate lighting and other electrical service lines into one central switch panel and run such circuits through conduit to the greatest extent possible.
14. Build kitchen addition 20'x34' with full basement and inside stairs to be used as storeroom in place of storeroom changed over to dishwashing.
15. Install Frigidaire storage box 8'x10' (on hand at present) in kitchen addition, together with necessary work tables, sinks, etc.

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16. Run concrete wall across one half the front side of lodge foundation.
17. Do necessary excavation and fill work, to make service road to new kitchen addition for the unloading of the truck at storeroom and kitchen.
18. Rebuild 6 seater dining room tables into four seater tables.
19. Make necessary roof changes on kitchen roof to eliminate piling of snow load on present flat roof at rear.
20. Removal of such trees as are necessary to permit of building of kitchen addition.
21. Changing kitchen vents and windows to get better air circulation in kitchen.

WHEREAS, the total cost of said emergency work, as called for in said scope will be approximately $5,266.00, made up of the following items:

EQUIPMENT:		
Masonite Flooring	$ 688.00	
Linoleum	492.00	
Dumb Waiter	165.00	$1,345.00
MATERIALS:		
Lumber	$ 386.00	
Roofing paper and sash	75.00	
Electrical supply	100.00	
Plumbing supply	100.00	
Cement	15.00	676.00
CONTRACTUAL:		
Lumber haul	$ 85.00	
Board cost of crew	550.00	
Expense	100.00	735.00
WAGES:		
190 Carpenter days @ $9.00 per day	$1,710.00	
Foreman supervision	400.00	2,110.00
TEMPORARY SALARIES:		
7 men for 1-1/4 months @ $50.00 per month	$ 400.00	400.00
Total		$5,266.00

THEREFORE, be it resolved that in accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of Ordinance 9.0871, an actual emergency exists at Camp Mather, created by weather and other unforeseen conditions of unusual character, as well as by a rapid deterioration of plant and structures, necessitating immediate emergency repairs and reconditioning of said properties, situated at Camp Mather, and that such repairs, reconditioning and emergency work should be executed in the most expiditious manner by the Recreation Department; and

FURTHER, resolved that the repairs and improvements enumerated above are hereby authorized and approved and the Superintendent is authorized and directed to immediately proceed with the same in the most expeditious manner.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported that the boy who received a serious injury at Hamilton Playground on August 7th, 1936 is improving, and is still in the City and County Hospital.

The Superintendent reported that [illegible] weather bureau has inquired if the department wants to resume the weekly [illegible] program. The Superintendent recommended that she confer with the [illegible] it be decided to broadcast only special programs from time to time, instead of [illegible] weekly series. The Commission authorized the suggested procedure.

Mr. L. S. Ross informed the Superintendent that the department will encounter difficulties if it permits apartment carpenters and painters to perform work exceeding $1000.00 since it should be done by contract. The Superintendent reported she checked up on all work performed since the roof ventilating system had been set up and the Dawson Playground [illegible], which was the largest, came to $982.12.

The Superintendent mentioned that she had seen Mr. Ralph Walsh, Attorney for the System, about the handling of compensation cases [illegible] the recreation department. He stated that he disposes of all such cases for the city.

The Superintendent reported that [illegible] representative has completed the file revision work and she will confer with the representative in the recommendation that our office should maintain a permanent file [illegible].

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Mr. Wm. B. Merchant reported he met with Mr. Waldo Tupper, Director of Exhibits, and explained the recreation set-up for the 1939 Exposition which met with enthusiastic reception.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda V Conroy

Secretary

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San Francisco. October 7, 1936.

The President of the Recreation Commission decided that the regular meeting be postponed. Notices were therefore mailed to the members calling off the meeting that was to have been held this day.

Veda V Conroy

Secretary

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. in Room 370 City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 16, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Miss Gertrude Hicks, 120 Swiss Avenue, Secretary Glen Park Community Club, informing the Commission her organization is still interested in the enlargement of Glen Park Playground for picnic purposes. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From Dr. G. B. Harper of 4625 Mission Street, Secretary Southern Civic Clubs, asking the Commission to oppose the transfer of funds from the John McLaren project to the purchase of Lurline Baths. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has received no official notification of this transfer.

From Mr. J. A. Addleman, 575 Mission Street, suggesting that the Commission apply for the use of land beneath the bridge from First Street toward the Bay, for recreation purposes. The Superintendent reported she has applied to the State for property on the embarcadero, but has not received a reply. Mr. Raffetto reported he spoke to the Mayor regarding this property. It was thought advisable to concentrate activities in areas were there are children. The Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance.

From the Southern Civic Clubs requesting that funds be set aside to provide a swimming pool at Crocker Amazon. The Superintendent reported that all swimming pools requested under W.P.A. were disapproved because of the high maintenance cost. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From Mrs. E. J. Downing, President Laurel Hall Club, Fairmont Hotel, thanking the Commission for the privilege of spending a most enjoyable day at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, September 18, 1936.

From the Kamlan Fence Company protesting the Commission's 12-1 minute immersion test included in its standard specifications for chain link fencing. The Superintendent reported she consulted Mr. Herman and he advises after careful study that the present standard be retained. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From a score of residents near the Portola Playground requesting protection from flying baseballs. The Superintendent reported that a fence should be erected, but there are no funds available. She recommended that it be included in next year's budget. The Commission authorized an investigation of the complaint and if the situation is extremely unsatisfactory, then baseball activities are to be discontinued until the fence is erected. The Secretary was asked to reply.

Two from Mr. Phillips informing the department the sale of buildings on two playground sites, i.e., Eureka Valley and Upper Noe Valley amounted to $254.00 which money has been credited to this department. The Superintendent reported it is advisable to take up this matter with the Controller and have the money credited to our operating reserves. This was called to Mr. Traung's attention.

Upon motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, on May 6, 1936 this Commission authorized a complete survey, reorganization and modernization of its general office correspondence file systems (Resolution No. 29, Minute Book Page 449), and

WHEREAS, the original survey and estimate of cost contemplated this work only on the general office correspondence files, and it was subsequently determined expedient to coordinate the files of the Superintendent, concerning particularly the forthcoming Recreation Exposition and other executive matters, so that the total cost of this work exceeded the original estimate by $141.82.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above item of additional expense of $141.82 is hereby specifically authorized and approved, and the Superintendent is directed to file a supplemental order or take whatever other steps may be necessary to insure payment of this bill by the Controller from current funds in this department.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

The following Improvement Resolutions were on motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Traung, unanimously approved as presented:

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No. 49 Services of the Real Estate Department for Acquisition of Land

Grattan, Appropriation	613.600.11	$200.00
Upper Noe, "	613.600.02	200.00
Eureka Valley "	613.600.04	200.00
Corona Heights"	613.600.12	200.00
		$800.00

No. 50 Bay View Playground
Appropriation 613.600.01
Lot 9A, Assessor's Block5310,
purchased from Wm. P. Quirk..... $4500.00

Lot 12B, Assessor's Block 5310,
purchased from Eric Thyssen..... 4250.00

Title Fee..... 75.00
$8825.00

No. 51 Corona Heights Playground
Appropriation 613.600.12
Lot 41, Assessor's Block 2621
from Capital Company..... $ 250.00
Title Fee..... 12.50
$ 262.50

No. 52 Corona Heights Playground
Appropriation 613.600.12
Lot 22, Assessor's Block 2621
from G. S. Hayward, Trustee of the
Estate of Fred Clayton Bryan, Bankrupt..... $ 150.00
Title Fee..... 12.50
$162.50

No. 53 Corona Heights Playground
Appropriation 613.600.12
Lot 23, Assessor's Block 2614
Lot 24, Assessor's Block 2621, from
Chas. F. Kane..... $325.00
Title Fee..... 15.00
$340.00

No. 54 Upper Noe Valley Playground
Appropriation 613.600.02
Lot 10, Assessor's Block 6638 from
Fanny A. McKinnon..... $3250.00
Title Fee..... 32.50
$3282.50

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

The following financial transactions were on motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Traung, unanimously approved as presented:

Advertising expense, Real Estate Department, for sale of buildings Upper Noe Valley Site..... $ 10.15
and Eureka Valley Site..... 6.65
$ 16.80

Financial Transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

Allotment Requests

No. 30	Wages	September	$1200.00
No. 31	Materials & Supplies	Supplemental-First Quarter	2000.00
No. 32	Auto Hire	" "	225.00
No. 33	Temporary Salaries	Camp-September	650.00
No. 34	Contractual	Supplemental-FirstQuarter	3500.00
No. 36	Corona Heights	Land Purchase	1325.00
No. 37	Grattan	" "	6045.00
No. 38	Equipment	Camp	210.00
No. 39	Accident Compensation	Supplemental	150.00
No. 40	" "	"	300.50
No. 43	Fees	Pianists-September	200.00
No. 44	Fees	Pianists-October	500.00
No. 45	Contractual	Camp	200.00
No. 46	Expense fees	Real Estate	800.00

Transfer Requests

No. 35	Various Accounts	to Camp Construction	$5200.00
No. 41	Fees	to Accident Compensation	400.00
No. 42	Truck Hire	to Accident Compensation	500.00
No. 47	Unallocated	to New Grounds, 30th &Clement 24th & Douglas	1440.00
No. 48	Rents	to Accident Compensation	400.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

The Superintendent reported an individual who wants to operate a restaurant and beer tavern at 842 Valencia Street, called to see her. Unless the Commission's protest of August 13, 1936 is withdrawn he cannot secure a license. The objections which prevailed when the tavern was opened previously under different management, have been corrected. The distance

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from the door of the premises in question to the Mission Playground gate is 200 feet. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously decided to withdraw their objections. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

The Superintendent reported an invitation was received from the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge Celebration Committee for the Recreation Commission to enter a float in the parades scheduled for November 13 during the day, and the 14th during the evening. The Commission felt it was unwise to have children out at night, and unless the department could enter a creditable float it would be better to decline. However, the Superintendent was asked to inquire if money could be obtained from the advertising fund to defray the expense of such a float.

The Superintendent further reported that all the W.P.A. work has slowed down, that the Rossi and Glen Park work is to close October 31, and that there are very few available carpenters.

The Superintendent also reported that there will be a Recreation Conference in Berkeley, October 23 and 24, 1936, under the National Recreation Association's auspices, and that she is planning to attend.

The Superintendent reported she is concerned with the safety of the Funston Playground bleachers. Mr. Harman has made a careful investigation and believes that they should be repaired within a few weeks. Mr. Healy informed her there is a possibility of this department receiving lumber for bleachers after the bay bridge parade on November 14. Repair work on the present bleachers would cost approximately $225.00. The Commission decided to await the outcome after November 14, and under any circumstances to tear down the present bleachers immediately after that date. She recommended, in the event that lumber is not donated, to have an amount included in next year's budget to take care of bleacher installation.

A discussion arose relative to fastening bases on the diamonds for adult play. The Commission decided, in order to minimize accidents, to have the bases fastened down for adult play on Sundays, and to have them loose during the week for children's games.

The Superintendent reported the advisability of naming three playground sites known by street names at present, i.e., 30th Avenue and California Street, 24th and Douglass Streets, and 38th Avenue and Fulton Street. She was asked to suggest suitable names and submit them to the Commission at a future meeting.

The Superintendent stated she received a report from Mr. McElvaney advising her of the present unsatisfactory arrangement of having two of the department's delivery trucks, i.e., those operated by Mr. Gatto and Mr. Keenan, kept in garages other than those of the owners. The Commission asked the Superintendent to take up this matter with Mr. Leonard Leavy and see if he has a suggestion to offer.

The Superintendent reported the budget for this year's Christmas Pageant has been estimated at $737.50. It has been customary for the Chief Administrator to bear this expense. The Commission asked the Superintendent to present the estimate to Mr. Cleary.

The Superintendent reported Mr. McElvaney has recommended that in preparation for next year's budget our improvement estimates be made at this time to meet present conditions and therefore adequate funds can be set aside. The Commission was in accord with this recommendation.

The Superintendent reported an estimate of $[illegible].00 has been received for the playground signs which are to read "Children using this apparatus do so at their own risk", but this will have to be held in abeyance until there is money available.

The Superintendent further reported that word was received from Mr. Worden that the Engineering Department has recommended that a reinforced concrete sewer be continued through Glen Park Playground from O'Shaughnessy Boulevard. She stressed the advisability of having it is work performed now before the playground is revamped, and new courts constructed.

The Superintendent mentioned that the founders of the Youth Hostel Movement in America, Isabel and Monroe Smith, are coming to San Francisco soon, and plan to outline the best methods for handling the project in this region. They also plan to show their movies of youth hostel activities. The Superintendent plans to reach the Sierra Club relative to this matter.

The Superintendent showed the Commission interesting graphs revealing the trend in this department's appropriations, land acquisition, and attendance over a period of years. She also presented fascinating photographs made by the children in the department's photography group, and those showing activities of the Chinese Playground children.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

[signature]
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco.

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Mourse

Absent: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Father Leo W. Powleson

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of October 21, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mr. T. J. Trodden, Executive Secretary, S. F. Garage Owners Association, 356 Flood Building, asking the Recreation Commission to cooperate in the movement to prevent the parking of automobiles beneath the approach to the S. F. Bay Bridge, and to utilize this area for recreation purposes instead. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge the letter, and state the Commission will further investigate this request.

From Mr. Edward P. Garrigan, Secretary Northern California Baseball Managers' Association, 4642-19th Street, requesting that people be placed on duty at Funston and Father Crowley Playgrounds to render first aid. The Superintendent reported that all playground directors have first-aid knowledge, and administer first aid to the patrons on the playgrounds. The Superintendent was asked to reply.

The following financial transactions were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, unanimously approved as presented:

Transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

Allotment Requests

No. 49	Bay View Land	$ 8,825.00
50	Upper Noe Valley Land	3,982.50
51	Corona Heights Land	340.00
52	Corona Heights Land	182.50
53	Corona Heights Land	382.50
54	Advertising sale of buildings, Noe	15.00
55	Advertising sale of buildings, Eureka	15.00
57	Camp Salaries, October and November	840.00

Transfer Requests

No. 56 From Salaries to Contractual
Mr. Merchant's Contract July and August next fiscal year 300.00

Improvement Resolution No. 55, for Ina Playground
Appropriation Ord. [illegible]

Lot 14, Assessor's block 5312, from Louise Busquet and Edward Busquet ..... Land $ 3,700.00
Title Fee 35.00
$ 3,735.00

Improvement Resolution No. 56, Noe Valley Playground
Appropriation Ord. [illegible]

Lot 33, Assessor's block 6532, from Mary A. Ward: Land $ 3,650.00
Title Fee 35.00
$ 3,685.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Mourse.

The Superintendent suggested names for three recreation areas.

The Commission unanimously approved the following:

Thirty-eighth Avenue and Moraga Street to be known as Sarrillo Playground,

Twenty-fourth and Douglass Streets to be known as Noe Valley Tennis Courts,

Thirtieth Avenue and California Street to be known as Element Tennis Courts.

The Superintendent was asked to investigate the possibility of holding a dedication ceremony for the official opening of Sarrillo Playground.

The Superintendent reported she was unable to secure Safety Commissioner Daly's Advertising Fund for a Recreation Department float in the Portola Day Parades.

The Superintendent further reported that Mr. Alfred J. Cherry is out of the city, and she has been unable to see him relative to the opinion for the

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Christmas Pageant.

The Superintendent reported Mr. Clyde Healy has offered to supply sufficient lumber for playground bleachers which will be about ten rows high. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission decided to accept the lumber for bleachers.

The Superintendent reported that this department officially transferred a portion of Funston Playground to the Department of Public Works, June 2, 1936 for the purpose of widening Bay Street. This transfer will mean that the sidewalk area will be close to the baseball backstops, and as a safety measure it will be advisable to erect an eighteen foot fence, or wings on either side of the backstop. She suggested that the Board of Public Works be requested to erect the backstop wings. The Commission authorized the Superintendent to inquire if the Board of Public Works will assume the cost of extending the backstop wings 100 feet on each side.

The Superintendent stated she is visiting all the grounds with Mr. Harman, and listing all necessary improvements. Estimates will then be submitted to the Commission for their decision. This information is being compiled for next year's budget.

The Superintendent reported the playground pavements are in a bad condition and she will submit this W.P.A. work to Mr. Healy for repairs.

The Superintendent advised that an effort be made to have the Public Utilities Commission allow this department the free use of Crocker Amazon field by having the present lease of $150.00 a month cancelled.

The Superintendent reported that letters have been forwarded to the Civil Service Commission requesting the official establishment of two positions in this department, namely, that of Business Manager, and Supervisor of Athletics.

The Superintendent reported she wrote to the City Attorney and to the members of the Committee on Charter Conflicts requesting that the necessary ordinance be prepared to correct the deficiencies of the present charter as it relates to the Recreation Department. Mr. F. Keesling, Chairman of the Committee, acknowledged receipt of the letter which will receive his attention. Mr. O'Toole promised to draft the ordinance. The Mayor asked that the ordinance be given to the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee before its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Edna P. Fanning

Secretary

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San Francisco. November 16, 1936.

SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the ordinance conferring additional powers on the Recreation Commission.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto

Absent: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren

Mr. J. J. O'Toole, City Attorney, who drafted the following ordinance, appeared before the Commission and explained its contents:

CONFERRING ADDITIONAL POWERS ON THE RECREATION COMMISSION BY GIVING SAID COMMISSION COMPLETE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF ALL PLAYGROUNDS, SWIMMING POOLS AND RECREATION CENTERS IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, EXCLUSIVE OF THOSE LOCATED IN PUBLIC PARKS OR DELEGATED TO THE PARK COMMISSION AND INCLUDING SUMMER CAMPS AND OTHER PUBLIC RECREATION UNITS NOW OR HEREAFTER OWNED, CONTROLLED OR ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO; AND AUTHORIZING AND EMPOWERING SAID RECREATION COMMISSION TO LAY OUT, EQUIP, SUPERVISE AND CONTROL SAID PLAYGROUNDS, SWIMMING POOLS, RECREATION CENTERS, SUMMER CAMPS AND PUBLIC RECREATIONAL UNITS AND TO CONSTRUCT BUILDINGS THEREON AND TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS THEREFOR AND INCIDENT THERETO.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 3 of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, the Board of Supervisors of said City and County does, by this ordinance, confer the following powers on the Recreation Commission of said City and County in addition to those conferred on said Commission by Section 42 of the Charter:

(a) The Recreation Commission shall have jurisdiction over all playgrounds, swimming pools, community centers, summer camps, and all other public recreational units now or hereafter owned, controlled or established by the City and County of San Francisco, either within or without the City limits, and same shall be under the exclusive control and management of said Recreation Commission, with the exception of such parks and recreational units, the jurisdiction of which has been, or shall be, expressly delegated exclusively to the Park Commission or to the Board of Education; said management and control shall include, among other things, the power to lay out, equip, supervise and control all recreational units of whatever nature belonging to the City, and within the jurisdiction of the Recreation Commission.

(b) The Recreation Commission shall have complete and exclusive control, management and direction of the aforesaid playgrounds, swimming pools, camps and recreation centers, and the exclusive right to lay out, grade, equip and control the same, as well as the exclusive right to erect and superintend the erection of the buildings and structures thereon, and to that end, said Commission may employ superintendents, surveyors, engineers, laborers and other employees and assistants and prescribe and fix their duties; and, shall have full power and authority to enter into contracts for the doing or accomplishing any, or all, of the aforementioned things; and, pursuant to the provisions of the Charter governing the appropriation and expenditure of moneys, said Commission shall have the exclusive management and disbursement of all funds legally appropriated to said Recreation Commission for the acquisition, support, equipment and maintenance of the aforesaid playgrounds, swimming pools, camps and recreation centers.

Section 2. The exercise of any of the powers, duties or authority conferred by this ordinance on said Recreation Commission shall be subject to all charter provisions applicable thereto.

The ordinance is to be considered by the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors at its meeting this afternoon, November 16, 1936 at 4:00 P.M.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Edna P. Fanning

Secretary

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San Francisco. November 18, 1936.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Treung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph F. Nourse

Absent: Father Leo W. Rowlason

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of November 4, and 16, were on motions regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From the Civil Service Commission acknowledging receipt of, and ordering the Recreation Department's communications, requesting establishment of the positions of Supervisor of Athletics, and Business Manager, be taken under submission.

From Supervisor Adolph Uhl enclosing a letter from Mrs. Emma Nelson, 275 Shipley Street, suggesting the use of lumber from the parade grandstands for the erection of bleachers on Father Crowley Playground. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission is planning to have this work performed.

From Mr. Sam Campi, 36 Columbus Avenue, requesting the erection of bleachers where there are regulation diamonds throughout the department. The Secretary was instructed to inform him of the Commission's plan.

From Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, enclosing a plan for the reconstruction of a portion of the road leading into the Sigmund Stern Grove which is necessary on account of the 19th Avenue widening. The Superintendent was asked to investigate this plan. Mr. McLaren stated he will also look into this matter.

From Mr. Wm. F. Traverso, Secretary, Property Owners' Association of North Beach, enclosing a petition signed by approximately 75 owners and residents in the vicinity of Washington Irving Primary School on Broadway between Montromery and Sansome Streets. They requested the enlargement of the present school playground to Vallejo Street from Bertol Street to below present place. Mr. Nourse informed the Commission the Board of Education was just received a similar petition. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge the letter.

Mr. Raffetto asked that the Commission look over property in the North Beach District on Grant Avenue near Filbert Street which it may be possible to acquire for playground purposes. The Superintendent was asked to arrange for the visit.

After giving careful consideration to the ordinance conferring additional powers on the Recreation Commission, it was decided to make certain changes and additions. On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Mr. [illegible], the ordinance as it appears below was unanimously approved for submission to the Education, Parks and Playgrounds Committee of the Board of Supervisors: (Bill No. 1127, Ordinance No. 23.0411)

Conferring additional powers on the Recreation Commission by giving said Commission complete management and control of all playgrounds, swimming pools and recreation centers in the City and County of San Francisco, exclusive of those located in public parks or delegated to the Park Commission, and including summer camps and other public recreational units now or hereafter owned, controlled or established by the City and County of San Francisco, together with recreational units heretofore or hereafter granted by or leased to the Recreation Commission by the Park Commission or Board of Education; and authorizing and empowering said Recreation Commission to lay out, plan, build, operate and control said playgrounds, swimming pools, recreation centers, summer camps and public recreational units and to construct buildings thereon and to enter into contracts therefor and incident thereto.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Section [illegible] of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco, the Board of Supervisors of said City and County does, by this ordinance, confer the following powers on the Recreation Commission of said City and County in addition to those conferred on said Commission by Section 42 of said Charter:

(a) The Recreation Commission shall have exclusive jurisdiction and control over all playgrounds, swimming pools, recreation centers, summer camps, and all other public recreational units now or hereafter owned, controlled or established by the City and County of San Francisco, except within the territorial limits with the exception of such parks and recreational units, the jurisdiction of which has been, or shall be, expressly delegated or granted to the Park Commission or to the Board of Education, unless the same have been or hereafter shall be, transferred, leased, licensed or granted, by the Park Commission or Board of Education to the Recreation Commission for recreational purposes.

(b) The Recreation Commission shall have complete and exclusive control, management and direction of the aforesaid playgrounds, swimming pools, summer camps and recreation centers, and the exclusive right to [illegible], lease, equip and

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control the same, as well as the exclusive right to erect and supervise the erection of buildings and structures thereon, and to that end, said Commission may employ superintendents, surveyors, engineers, architects, laborers and other employees and assistants and prescribe and fix their duties and compensation, subject to the Civil Service Provisions of the Charter, and shall have full power and authority to enter into contracts for doing or accomplishing any, or all of the aforementioned things; and, pursuant to the provisions of the Charter governing the appropriation and expenditure of moneys, said Commission shall have the exclusive management and disbursement of all funds legally appropriated to said Recreation Commission for the acquisition, support, equipping and maintenance of the aforesaid playgrounds, swimming pools, camps and recreation centers.

Section 2. The exercise of any of the powers, duties or authority conferred by this ordinance on said Recreation Commission shall be subject to all Charter provisions applicable thereto.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

The following financial transactions were on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung, unanimously approved:

Financial transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

No. 59	Pianists	- November	$ 156.00
60	Auto Hire	"	172.00
61	Bay View Land		3735.00
62	Noe Land		3910.00

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 57 EUREKA VALLEY PLAYGROUND
Appropriation CIM.E.O.34

Lot 5, Assessor's Block 2694 from

Henry J. Bellmer for.....$4200.00
Title Fee..... 37.50 ...$4237.50

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported, pending receipt of the lumber for bleachers, she ordered the repair of the present bleachers on Funston Playground. She read a report Mr. Maurice Sweeney submitted, at her request, recommending where bleachers should be erected throughout the Department. As soon as this W. P. A. bleacher project is approved, work can progress.

The Superintendent reported the Chief Administrator is unable to render financial assistance for this Department's Christmas Program because the recent Bay Cities Celebration has depleted his funds. Therefore the program will be held in the auditorium of the High School of Commerce.

The Superintendent reminded the Commission of the advisability of asking the Public Utilities Commission relative to securing free use of the Crocker Amazon site because the Recreation Department's funds are getting low.

The Superintendent reported this Department has been unable to secure a percentage of the free water furnished certain city departments. She was asked to inquire about this matter from the Chief Administrator.

The Superintendent informed the Commission the Chamber of Commerce, Labor Council of the Industrial Detail, were in readiness at the Manor Theatre.

The Superintendent reported that the science festival in the S. F. Schools [illegible] Saturday of the week before Easter in the Civic Auditorium.

The Superintendent, by request, read the letter from Mr. Charles Caswell [illegible] Commission relative to [illegible] Park and Playground Commission.

[illegible] Bureau of Curative Workers, [illegible]

Respectfully submitted,

Edna L. Young
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. December 2, 1936.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 18, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read with the exception that the copy of the Ordinance Conferring Additional Powers on the Recreation Commission, which was prepared by the City Attorney, is to be substituted for the one previously adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

From Mrs. L. H. Downer, President Francis Scott Key P. T. A., 1274-36th Avenue, informing the Commission the Board of Education has authorized the sale of a portion of the former Francis Scott Key School property at Irving and Judah Streets, 42d and 43d Avenues. They are urging the Recreation Commission to again inquire if the Education Board will allow this Commission to acquire the entire site for playground and recreation center purposes. Mr. Nourse informed the Commission the Board of Education is endeavoring to sell a portion of the property in order that additional funds may be available. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously authorized sending a letter to the Parent Teacher Association expressing the Commission's appreciation of their message, but explaining that at the present time the Recreation Commission is without funds to purchase any real estate. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

From Miss Violet Fowler, Past President Marina Home Owners' Association, requesting that lights be placed along the western boundary of Funston Playground between Chestnut and Bay Streets for the convenience of Webster Street property owners using the playground at night in going to and from the street cars on Chestnut Street. The Superintendent was asked to consult the City Attorney relative to what effect this would have upon the Commission, if granted. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission is thoroughly investigating the request.

Mrs. Stern reported she spoke to Colonel George Mixner of the Public Utilities Commission relative to securing the free use of the Crocker Amazon Site. He suggested that a formal communication be submitted. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Secretary was asked to send a written communication to the Public Utilities Commission requesting that the Recreation Commission no longer be required to pay a monthly rental of $150.00 for the use of the Crocker Amazon Site. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The following financial transactions were on motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, approved as presented:

Financial Transactions Approved by the Superintendent since last Commission Meeting:

ALLOTMENT REQUEST

63	Camp Contractual	$ [illegible]
64	Eureka Land	[illegible]
68	Camp Permanent Salaries	[illegible]

TRANSFER REQUEST

65	Contractual to Purchase Garbage Pail and Ash Grate	[illegible]
66	Surplus Permanent to Temporary 12 Directors, [illegible] months	[illegible]
67	Surplus Permanent to Temporary Recertification of Present temporary employees	[illegible]

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION No. [illegible] [illegible]
Appropriation CIM.E.O. [illegible]

Lot 20, Assessor's Block 2694, from [illegible]
[illegible]..... [illegible]
Title Fee..... [illegible]

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

The Superintendent presented a suggested list of recommendations to be incorporated in the Annual Report to the Mayor. The [illegible] written copies. The recommendations [illegible] next Commission meeting.

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The Superintendent reminded the Commission if they wish to recommend any amendment of the Charter that it will be necessary to submit the new provisions to the Committee on Charter Conflicts before December 15, 1936. In discussing the suggested non-civil service position of Executive Secretary to the Superintendent which was incorporated in the Recreation Commission's proposed Charter Amendment, the Commission thought it advisable to refer to this position as Executive Assistant to the Superintendent.

The Superintendent recommended the printing of an eight page folder in place of the present four page leaflet which would contain, in addition to the names and locations of all playgrounds and sites, information relative to the history of the playground movement in San Francisco, a map of the city showing location of playgrounds, and other general information. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission approved having the eight page folder printed. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent informed the Commission it is necessary to again submit proposed projects to the W. P. A. for approval. She recommends including the development of the school lot 150' x 240' located on 27th and 28th Avenues, between Fulton and Cabrillo Streets, which was transferred to the Playground Commission in May 1928. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Traung, the Commission unanimously decided to include the development of this site with the new projects to be submitted to the W. P. A. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

In discussing the roadway leading into the Sigmund Stern Grove it was decided that the City Engineer, Mr. John J. Casey, and the Director of Property, Mr. Joseph J. Phillips, be asked to attend the next regular Commission meeting relative to this matter.

The Superintendent informed the Commission she received a letter from Mr. H. S. Spalding, of 176 Sutter Street, requesting an outlet for his clients' property which land is adjacent to the Gilman Beach property, and was purchased by them before the beach was acquired by the City. She requested the Commission to visit the property before making a decision relative to an outlet through the Gilman Site.

Mr. Nourse informed the Commission he received two requests for enlargement of schoolyards, namely Jean Parker, and Washington Irving. He inquired if the Commission has funds with which to buy the necessary land. The Commission authorized him to report to the Board of Education that they have no funds available at this time to provide additional playgrounds for these schools.

Mr. Raffetto again asserted the advisability of having the Commission visit a site 140' square, at Calvert Street and Grand Avenue, adjoining Emerson School, which it may be possible to receive in exchange for city property in the vicinity. The Commission plans to visit the property when all the members can go.

The Superintendent introduced Mrs. A. S. Booker who has been temporarily appointed to assist her in the capacity of Executive Assistant.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Veda G. Conning
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco, December 14, 1936.

SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2:00P.M. for the purpose of discussing Charter revision as it applies to the Recreation Department, and for taking up regular Commission matters. Mrs. Sigmund Stern presided.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. Chas F. Traung

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 2, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

CHARTER REVISION

The Commission decided to recommend two changes in the Charter provisions governing the Recreation Department, and to submit them to the Committee on Charter Conflicts, December 15, 1936.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, and unanimously carried, it was decided to change the last paragraph of Section 42, Page 24 of the Charter to read as indicated in capital letters. "All positions in the recreation department, except THOSE of Superintendent, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE SUPERINTENDENT and those in part time service, are hereby made subject to the Civil Service provision of this charter,...." Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, it was decided to request an increase in the minimum tax levy specified in Section 78, page 44 of the Charter, to read as indicated in capital letters. "(d) playgrounds, which tax shall be not less than TEN cents on each one hundred dollars,". Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

The Superintendent presented figures justifying the requested increase. The Commission decided not only to present that information to the Committee on Charter Conflicts but also an analysis of the expenditure of our current appropriation, and a comparison of the department's growth in the last ten years.

Mr. J. J. Phillips, Director of Property and Mr. W. H. Ohmen, Chief Designer and Mr. A. V. Bowhay, Assistant Designer, City Engineer's Office, appeared before the Commission relative to the reconstruction of the roadway leading into the Sigmund Stern Grove.

They explained that the California Highway Commission, working in conjunction with the City Engineer's Office, is planning to construct a roadbed over the present easement for a distance of approximately 150 feet from the 19th Avenue entrance, said roadbed to have a six inch rock base with a one inch emulsified asphalt surface. This proposed change would increase the slope about 1 3/8%. The plans also provide for an improved approach at 19th Avenue.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved Mr. Phillips' suggestion, that the City Engineer be asked to inform the California Highway Commission the Recreation Commission agrees to their plan with the proviso that they extend the proposed reconstruction work another 80 feet, or approximately 230 feet in all, and that the new roadway along the center line shall not exceed the present slope of 10%. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson. The Secretary was asked to inform Mr. J. Casey, City Engineer, of their action.

Mr. Phillips informed the Commission if at any time the property to the north of the present easement from 19th Avenue is filled in so that an entrance as satisfactory as the existing one is provided, the Commission may be obliged to transfer the one now in use.

The Superintendent was authorized to see Mr. Phillips regarding the possibility of acquiring the property belonging to the Beckwitha, and Occidental Holding Company Ltd. which extends between Sloat Boulevard and Wawona Street, and has a frontage of 240 feet on these streets. This property is bound by 20th Avenue on the east.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mr. Leland W. Cutler, 583 Bush Street, President Golden Gate International Exposition, informing the Superintendent he is giving the Commission's plan for Youth and Recreation at the forthcoming exposition careful consideration, and extends his deep appreciation for the work being performed by the Superintendent.

Mr. Wm. G. Merchant and the Superintendent gave reports of the progress of the plan for financing the exposition.

From Mr. A. Wieduwilt, of 2119 Bush Street, requesting the erection of a convenience station on the Steiner Street area of Hamilton Playground for the people using the park. The Secretary was asked to inform him that by seeing either the caretaker or playground director he would be granted access to the sanitary conveniences on Hamilton Playground.

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From Mr. H. G. Cahill, Manager of Utilities, informing the Commission that the Public Utilities Commission cannot accede to our request for free use of the Crocker Amazon site because if this step was taken it would be necessary to make similar arrangements with other city departments, which arrangement cannot be considered.

From Mr. Lloyd S. Wilson, Chairman Group Work and Recreation Council, Community Chest of San Francisco, requesting the names of the Commission's delegates for 1937. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, Miss Alice Musgrove and Miss Josephine D. Randall were unanimously appointed to represent the Recreation Commission for the year 1937. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Musgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From Mr. James O'Gara, Director-at-large, Mission District, asking the Commission to investigate the possibility of using the Roberts Field of the San Francisco State College during the evenings for the use of the Mission District children. The Superintendent was authorized to find out if the State College authorities approve this request, and if so what it would cost to operate. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge the communication.

From Mr. K. Onoshita, Chief Director Japan Playground Association, c/o Shibuya Post Office, Tokio, Japan, relative to the sets of battledores and shuttlecocks sent to San Francisco as well as other American cities for the purpose of promoting international friendship. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge these with thanks.

From Miss Puth Mariner, of the Associated Oil Company, thanking the Commission for the manner in which the recent golf and tennis tournaments were conducted, and assuring the Commission the employees of their company plan to participate next year.

The Superintendent reported she had been asked to have the Crocker Amazon Site named the James D. Phelan Baseball Field. She informed those making the request that the Commission's policy is not to name playgrounds after living persons.

The Commission approved the submission of thirteen recommendations to be included in the 1935-1936 Annual Report to the Mayor.

The following financial transactions were on motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Musgrove, unanimously approved:

Financial Transactions approved by the Superintendent since last meeting:

Auditorium Requests

No. 69	Burnett Land	$ 3,182.50
No. 70	Pianists' Fees - December	310.00
No. 71	Auto Fire - December	347.00
No. 72	Employment - December	150.00

Personnel Requests

No. 73	Permanent to Temporary Assistant Caretaker	$ 725.00
No. 74	Permanent to Temporary Assistant Typist-Stenographer	825.00

Appropriation Ord. No. 78, LONGFELLOW PLAYGROUND

Appropriation $13,600.06 from Sam and Irma Scutter Land..... $2500.00 Title Fee... 27.50 $ 2,527.50

Appropriation Ord. No. 79, ALEMANY VALLEY PLAYGROUND

Appropriation $13,600.04 from Mary Coleman Land..... $ 3,250.00 from Jesse C. Chalker Land..... 4,350.00 Title Fees. 70.00 $ 7,670.00

Appropriation Ord. No. [illegible] PLAYGROUND

$17,000.05

Land [illegible] Land..... $ 3,100.00 Title Fee.. 32.50 $ 3,132.50

Appropriation Ord. No. [illegible] ALEMANY VALLEY PLAYGROUND

$17,000.05

Land [illegible] Land..... $ 4,000.00 Title Fee. 30.00 $ 4,030.00

The Superintendent reported Mr. Henry Heidelberg, Deputy City Attorney, won the $25,000. court case in Judge F. A. Griffin's Court, which claim was filed against this department for personal injuries sustained by one, Betty Lance, at Funston Playground, on March 1, 1936.

The Superintendent recommended that baseball be discontinued at Portola Playground until such time as it is possible to place a fence around the playground for the protection of those on the sidewalks and streets. The Commission approved temporarily discontinuing regulation baseball on Portola Playground until the proper fencing is erected. The work will have to wait until next years budget, unless Mr. Raffetto, who was authorized to see the Mayor, is able to secure the necessary money from the City's Emergency Fund.

A recommendation was received that this department should have signs placed near the baseball field at Funston Playground indicating that persons use this recreation area at their own risk. The Superintendent recommended placing the necessary funds in next year's budget for signs on all playgrounds.

The Commission asked the Superintendent to have that area where a path has been worn, near the tennis courts on Funston Playground, replanted with lawn and shrubs.

The Commission authorized the Superintendent to appoint a playground director to make a study of all fencing needed throughout the department with reference to its baseball activities, in order to determine where the department might be declared negligent.

The Commission authorized the Secretary to write to the City Attorney, thanking him, and his representative, Mr. Henry Heidelberg, Deputy City Attorney, for winning the Betty Lance case for the Recreation Department.

The Commission asked the Secretary to send a letter to the City Attorney requesting a written opinion regarding what effect the placing of lights along the western boundary of Funston Playground would have upon the Commission, if granted.

The Superintendent reported that this department no longer operates light trucks, having replaced its equipment with heavy trucks. She therefore recommended that the Civil Service Commission be asked to change the classification of the two drivers now operating the heavy trucks. The Commission approved the suggestion with the understanding that no increase in salary is to become effective before next fiscal year.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vera E. Fanning

Secretary

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San Francisco. January 6, 1937

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M., in Room 370 City Hall, with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. A. Traung
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 14, 1936 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

DELEGATION

A delegation from the West of Twin Peaks with the following speakers, Messrs. Frank O. Merritt, John G. Reisner, J. T. McFadden, and The Reverend J. Alvin Campbell, appeared before the Commission requesting that the improved property covering an area of 100' x 102' at the S.E. corner of Granada and Ocean Avenues, which it may be possible to purchase for $40,000.00, be acquired as a recreation center. The delegation also presented a petition signed by several hundred people living in the neighborhood.

The Chairman assured them the Recreation Commission is aware of the great need for a center in that neighborhood, but hopes in the future, when the necessary funds are available, to erect a suitable community center building on the Ingleside Playground Site which is city land. However, the Commissioners will thoroughly investigate this matter, and then communicate with the spokesman. The matter was referred to the Grounds Committee for investigation.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received, and ordered filed:

From Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, informing the Commission that in accordance with their request the plan for reconstructing the roadway leading into the Sigmund Stern Grove will be revised, and submitted to the California Highway Commission for its approval.

From Mr. W. H. Worden, enclosing a letter from the City Engineer, relative to the Recreation Commission's letter concerning the destruction of their fence along the Wawona Street side of the Sigmund Stern Grove due to the present W. P. A. improvement of Wawona Street between 24th and 28th Avenues. The Superintendent reported that the work will not only destory the fence, but endanger our well. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, it was unanimously decided that a letter of protest be sent to the Board of Public Works that inasmuch as this street work comes under their jurisdiction, it is their duty to see that adjacent property is not thereby impaired. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Raffetto.

From Mr. J. J. Phillips, inquiring if the Commission is interested in an offer to buy property, from Mr. Albert M. Getz, which adjoins Father Crowley Playground at 1053 Harrison Street. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided not to consider this offer. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Traung, Mr. Nourse.

From Mr. J. Lamb, Secretary Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association, requesting the Commission to include an amount in the 1937-1938 budget sufficient to complete the purchase of the Upper Noe Valley Playground Site. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge the letter.

A memorandum was received from the Board of Education that they are ready to proceed with the reimbursement to this department of the cost of material for the sprinkling system installed in the property transferred by the Recreation Commission to the Board of Education for their Junior College Site. This reimbursement is approximately $2850.00. The Superintendent reported it will be necessary to work out this transfer of funds with a representative from the Board of Education and the Controller. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously decided to accept the Board of Education's offer of approximately $2850.00 for the sprinkling system pipe installed on the Ingleside site. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Traung.

From the W. P. A. employees at the Sigmund Stern Grove Nursery expressing their pleasure in having the opportunity to work for the Commission in helping to provide San Franciscans with a means for healthful recreation.

From the department gardeners thanking the Commission for the increase in wages they received this fiscal year.

From Mr. Harold T. Morse, of 300-3rd Street, requesting the establishment of a recreation center south of Market Street. The Secretary was asked to acknowledge the letter.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the following resolution for payment:

Improvement Resolution, Cf, Longfellow School Playground
Appropriation No. 617.676.00

James O. Purcell, Lot 11, Assessor's Block 6474.. $ [illegible]
Alfred Fellman, Lot 6, Assessor's Block 6474.. 4850.00
Title Fees..... [illegible]
$ [illegible]

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Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse, Father Powleson.

Miss Mosgrove reported word was received that the Water Department is planning to furnish wholesale water rates to certain organizations. The Superintendent was instructed by the Commission to write to the Chief Administrator regarding the possibility of the Recreation Department securing a wholesale rate for its total consumption of water.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. C. E. Healy requested that she submit to him Recreation Center Buildings for which workdrawings are to be made. The Superintendent recommended that the Ocean View Recreation Center, which will cost approximately $190,000.00 and the working drawings about $6000.00, be submitted. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission decided that the Ocean View working drawings, to cost approximately $6000.00 be requested first. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Raffetto. The Superintendent reviewed the procedure followed previously when Mr. Merchant handled all the necessary details concerning working drawings. It was the unanimous decision of the Commission that Mr. Merchant be authorized to again handle the working drawings for the department.

The Superintendent reported that Mr. Fred Levy submitted a report, at her request, of equipment which should be provided or replaced in order that the Commission would not be declared negligent from a legal standpoint. His recommendations for adequate fencing around baseball diamonds will be estimated by Mr. Geo. Harman, and submitted for budget consideration. He recommended the removal of all baby swings designed by this department, because the large bolts used in the construction might be dangerous to small children. These are at present being replaced by swings made of rubber belting. He further suggested placing a protective apron on the slides made by this department. This estimate will also be considered for the budget.

The Superintendent reported the W.P.A. is about to start constructing bleachers for this department from the lumber previously donated.

The Superintendent reported she received a request from Mr. J. Helko that he be given the exclusive concession to sell ice cream at Funston Playground. The Commissioners decided to adhere to their policy which prohibits the sale of food on the San Francisco Playgrounds.

The Superintendent reported her exposition committee has been investigating ways and means for securing the necessary money to finance the Youth and Recreation section of the Golden Gate International Exposition. She was advised by the City Attorney to go with Mr. Traung and see Mayor Rossi regarding money for city or state participation. Colonel J. Franklin Bell advised her to see Mr. Richard W. Barrett, who is to handle the exposition bill before the State Legislature, and have the necessary sum for Youth and Recreation ear marked, and then secure public support for our plan. The Commission agreed that it would be advisable for Mr. Traung and the Superintendent to call on the Mayor regarding this matter. The Superintendent read several of the many letters received commending the Commission on its plans for the forthcoming exposition.

The Superintendent reported she received a letter from Warden James Johnston of Alcatraz complimenting the Commission on its Director-at-large Plan in Recreation Work as explained in a booklet published recently.

The Commission approved Mr. Traung's suggestion that he see Mr. T. A. Toomey and secure the survey he made of the Recreation Department. The survey can then be studied in cooperation with the Controller, and any necessary suggestions incorporated in next year's budget.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco, January 20, 1937.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove,
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto

M I N U T E S

The minutes of the meeting of January 6, 1937 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

ELECTION

Since this was the Annual Meeting, the next order of business was the election of President of the Recreation Commission for 1937. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, Mrs. Sigmund Stern was unanimously re-elected President. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

It was suggested that if any changes are to be made in the committee appointments that this choice be left to the President.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

Two letters were received, one from Mrs. D. R. Jacks, Secretary Longfellow I. T. A., and one from Mrs. Maud Lonsdale, Acting Recording Secretary, Southern Civic Clubs, 29 San Juan Avenue, requesting the Commission to retain one of the buildings purchased in the Longfellow Playground Site for a field house. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission will follow up this matter with the Real Estate Department, and, if advisable, will have the most suitable building retained.

A memorandum was received from Mr. George Harman informing the Commission no action has been taken by the Pacific Gas and Electric Company regarding this Commission's request to have the electric power lines and gas mains removed from Crocker Amazon. The Superintendent stated it is imperative that this be done before proceeding with improvements.

Whereupon the Commission unanimously passed the following resolution which was made by Mr. Traung, and seconded by Father Powleson:

WHEREAS the Recreation Department requested the Real Estate Department to make all necessary arrangements for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company to have their electric power lines and gas mains removed from the Crocker AmazonSite, located at Geneva Avenue and Moscow Street, before the Recreation Commission proceeds with development plans, and

WHEREAS Mr. J. C. Phillips reported that no answer has been received from either of his two written requests, and recommended that a resolutional resolution be adopted and forwarded to the City Attorney,

BE RESOLVED, That this resolution be forwarded to the City Attorney with the request that he request the Pacific Gas and Electric Company to remove all of its equipment from the Crocker Amazon Site immediately, in order that the Recreation Commission may proceed with their development plans.

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Nourse, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

From Mrs. H. Thomson, Secretary Edgar Guests Club, 240 Cambridge Street, requesting the Commission to light the Tank Playground Tennis Courts. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the matter was referred to the Superintendent for investigation and report. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

From Mr. J. A. Addleman inquiring if the Recreation Department has any plans or means for conducting a survey relative to the use of the Grand Canyon bridge for recreation by the Lower Potrero district. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has no funds for the purpose of a suggested survey.

From Mr. John C. Quigley, [illegible] of the dangerous condition of the [illegible] as 2435, 2443 and 2445 - 15th Street. [illegible] referred to, and while the Commission [illegible] is still in the hands of the City Attorney [illegible] actually own the property as yet. [illegible] does not believe there is [illegible]

Mr. Merchant presented the survey made by Mr. [illegible], Recreation, which shows the fault lines of the earthquake [illegible] The plan also shows that [illegible] through the Corona Heights property. [illegible]

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placed thereon advising of the danger. Mr. Merchant also showed the Commission the plan he presented to Mr. C. E. Healy about six months ago, upon their authorization.

The Superintendent reported she asked Mr. Healy to attend today's meeting, but he was in conference with the Mayor, and therefore unable to come. The Superintendent further reported, to date no work has been performed by Mr. Healy on this site, and she therefore recommends sending a letter to the Mayor urging that he give financial aid from his emergency fund in this situation.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Superintendent was authorized to see Mayor Rossi, with a member of the Commission and explain the serious import of the present situation on Corona Heights, and also to present a letter to him embodying the Commission's action in this matter and suggesting that corrective measures be taken for safeguarding lives and property: Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Mourse, the following Improvement Resolution was approved and ordered paid:

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION, 63/8 CORONA HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND
Appropriation 613.600.12
Purchased from Eunice G. Pritchard, Lots, 37, 39, 39, 40, and 41, Assessor's Block 2614 for.....$1225.00
Title Fee.....22.50
$1247.50

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

The purchase of the Sunset Playground land from Georges De Roy was referral to the Finance Committee meeting which is to be held on Friday, January 22, 1937 at 1:30 P.M.

In discussing the advisability of placing large structures, such as concrete bleachers, on Crocker Amazon, Mr. J. J. Phillips was asked to give his opinion. He explained the original plan of the Water Department for constructing reservoirs to furnish San Francisco with a reserve water supply for thirty days. Water developments have resulted in the construction of a large reservoir in University Mound, a comparatively short distance from Crocker Amazon, and the purchase of eight blocks in Sunset District for a second big reservoir. Therefore it is unlikely that Crocker Amazon will ever be needed by the Water Department, and he advises proceeding with our construction program.

The Superintendent reported she would like to proceed with the building of permanent structures on Crocker Amazon, provided the Commission approves, and the W. P. A. will perform the work. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to complete arrangements with the W. P. A. for constructing permanent improvements on the Crocker Amazon site. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. McLaren reported the property at the corner of 19th Avenue and Clay Boulevard is up for sale, and he urged the Commission to acquire it. The Superintendent reported there is $1,000.00 in the fund for the purchase of land at the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Superintendent was authorized to negotiate with Mr. [illegible] Phillips and find out if a part of the land at the corner of 19th and Clay Boulevard can be acquired for the $1,000.00, and that report further relative to the Commission. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Merchant reported, with regard to the damage to the Commonwealth fence at the [illegible] side of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, the matter was taken up with the W. P. A. headquarters since that time [illegible] street work. The W. P. A. is now submitting a project for the construction of a [illegible] wall, also for property on Arguello Street, which will greatly improve the appearance of the [illegible]. He stated therefore [illegible] the earth and set as a stabilizer. On motion of [illegible], seconded by Mr. Traung, the Commission [illegible] Merchant to [illegible] the W. P. A. for the proposed [illegible] project. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Mourse, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. [illegible] and presented a plan for the development of the playground. The Commission [illegible] approve the plan, authorize [illegible] to proceed with the [illegible] as funds be made available by the [illegible].

The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

1. The police department has given the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove [illegible] protection against [illegible] groups to [illegible]. A request has been received from Mr. John Neuberger, Theater Arts Recreation Council Club, asking that he be allowed to have approximately 300 boys present at their picnic scheduled for May 9th. The Commission unanimously denied the request, stating that the crowd would be [illegible] members of Junior Police, and asked the Superintendent to see Mr. Neuberger regarding this matter.

2. She has been investigating the possibility of securing free water for the Playground Department. The matter will be taken up again with the Chief Administrator.

3. Mr. J. J. Phillips has assigned a room to this Department in the Civic Auditorium for camp bed quarters and registrations.

4. Mr. Wid Larson, Secretary-Federation of Municipal Employees, asked to see the Recreation Department's salary recommendations for the 1937-38 Budget. The Commission authorized the Superintendent to withhold this information until completed by them.

5. The cities of Burlingame and Santa Rosa have requested her to assist in planning their recreation programs. She planned Mr. Raymond Uhthoff to Burlingame, and plans to go to Santa Rosa on Thursday. The Commissioners approved their approval.

6. She presented the following list of persons comprising exhibition committees:

Ice Skating Exhibition Committee: Mrs. Sigmund Stern, Mr. Paul Ray, Mr. R. C. Turner, Mr. R. F. Allen, Mr. Edward Howe, Mr. C. J. Seagrave, Mr. R. M. Altschuler, Mrs. William Bowman, Mr. Milton Steers, Mr. Charles Knight, Mr. [illegible], Mrs. Herman Speer-Cox, Mr. Glen Grant, Mr. C. A. Adelsman, Mrs. Duncan MacDuffie, Mr. William S. Merchant, Mr. Alfred Hass, Miss Mary Kerr, Miss Lydia Woodall, Miss Josephine [illegible].

Music Committee: Mrs. J. E. [illegible], Mr. George Davis, Miss Gertrude Bird, Mr. Wallace A. Bacon, Prof. Hazle Tarter.

Sports Committee: Mr. Charles Davis, [illegible], Mr. Raymond C. Bender, Mr. Ivan Hill, Mr. John O. Sanborn, Mr. W. H. Henderson, Mrs. Florence Stephenson, Miss Florence Wade, [illegible], Mr. Gerald Linares, Miss Vera Dunleavy.

Industrial Athletic Committee: Mr. E. [illegible], Mr. Martin [illegible], Mr. Matt [illegible], Mrs. Irene Jones, Mr. [illegible], Mr. [illegible] Randolph, Mr. A. [illegible], Mr. Wilfred [illegible], Mr. Frank E. Weiss, Mr. E. [illegible].

Drama Committee: Mr. George C. Pohlman, Mr. Paul Dickinson, Mr. Lewis Dewart, Miss Mary Ann [illegible], Mr. Irwin Hyde, Mr. [illegible], Mr. Ralph [illegible], Mr. [illegible], Mr. [illegible].

Junior Police Committee: Mr. [illegible], Mr. [illegible], Mr. [illegible],

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COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Mrs. Stern expressed her appreciation to the Commission for being re-elected to the Presidency of the Recreation Commission.

She reappointed, for the year 1937, the present committees of the Commission which memberships are as follows:

Finance - Chairman, Mr. Chas. F. Traung, Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto, Father Powleson
Land, Buildings and Grounds - Chairman, Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto, Mr. John McLaren, Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Camp - Chairman, Miss Alicia Mosgrove, Mr. Joseph P. Nourse, Mr. John McLaren
Legal and Civil Service - Chairman, Father Powleson, Mr. Chas. F. Traung, Miss Alicia Mosgrove.

The Commissioners accepted their appointments.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 20, 1937, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

DELEGATIONS

A delegation from the Francis Scott Key P. T. A., with Mrs. Thos. Best, as Chairman, appeared before the Commission and asked them to reaffirm their willingness to supervise the former Francis Scott Key School site if the P. T. A. is able to have the property transferred. The Commission reassured her of their willingness to supervise the property if transferred, and to do their best to develop it gradually, and to operate the building located thereon as a center.

Mr. Ed. Burke, the owner of Burke's Gymnasium at 2350 Geary Street between Broderick and Baker Streets, inquired if the Commission is interested in either acquiring his property and equipment for the sum of $40,000.00, or leasing it. The Commission expressed their regret at being unable to take advantage of this offer, and explained that it is impossible to consider either purchasing or leasing the property because there are no funds available.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mrs. Mgt. K. Sloss, of 3070 Pacific Avenue, Chairman Playground Committee Grant School, requesting the Commission to include in its 1937-1938 Budget an amount sufficient to take care of the supervision of their schoolyard. A report showing the attendance during the months the yard has been operated under the paid supervision of the P. T. A. was enclosed. The matter was referred to the Superintendent for investigation, and recommendation at the next Commission meeting.

From Mayor Angelo J. Rossi, requesting that in the 1937-1938 Budget where increased allocations over the previous fiscal year are recommended, that they be itemized and submitted to him when the budget is filed with the Controller. The Commission plans to comply.

From Mayor Angelo J. Rossi informing the department that any proposed legislation affecting the financial interests of the city is to be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation and the Board of Supervisors before being introduced into the State Legislature.

From Mr. E. S. Atkinson, Chef and Caretaker at Camp Mather, requesting an adjustment in his compensation. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

From Mr. W. H. Worden, Director Department of Public Works, enclosing a letter from Mr. John T. Quigley, of 450 - 36th Avenue, regarding the threatened slide on Corona Heights, and referring the matter to this Commission for attention. The Superintendent reported Mr. C. B. Manly appeared before the Finance Committee of the Commission yesterday and agreed to have the loose rocks removed. He sent Mr. Meyer Rosenberg, Contractor, in to make the necessary arrangements. Mr. Rosenberg agreed to pick up the loose rock, construct a bulkhead to prevent the slide from encroaching on private property, and to repair the road leading into the property, for which consideration he is to receive between 700 and 800 yards of rock for road construction work in progress at Lake Merced. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung, the plan as presented by the Superintendent was unanimously approved. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

From Mr. Gus H. Pollack, 206 Sansome Street, President West End Improvement Association, inquiring about the completion and operation of the Cabrillo Playground. The Superintendent reported an amount is being included in next year's budget to take care of this request. The Secretary was asked to reply accordingly.

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From Miss Alice Cummings, Ashbury Heights Improvement Club, 34 Ashbury Terrace, requesting that $8,500.00 be included in next year's budget to equip this site with courts and apparatus. This request was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From Mrs. Geo. J. Simpers, of 1559 Sacramento Street, Playground Chairman Redding P. T. A., inquiring if this Commission would be willing to assist in the purchase of the Lurline Baths Property in co-operation with the Board of Education, and assume the responsibility of maintaining it after its acquirement. Mr. Nourse reported the matter came before the Board of Education and was referred to him. The Board of Education has no money with which to acquire any of the property. He was authorized by the Recreation Commission to inform his board that the Commission is committed to finish the purchase of six playground sites and is therefore unable to consider acquiring the Lurline Baths Property. The Secretary was asked to reply.

The following letters of appreciation were received:

From Mr. Chas. H. Graham, President San Francisco Baseball Club, stating it is the pleasure of his club to co-operate with the Recreation Department.

From the Visitacion Valley Community Center relative to the splendid work of Mr. Maurice Sweeney in handling the Recreation Baseball League.

From Mr. Robert Lanclot, President St. Ives' Law Club, University of San Francisco, for the use of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, on January 7, 1937.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded be Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously approved the following resolution for payment:

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION No. 64, SUNSET PLAYGROUND
Appropriation 613.600.08

Georges LeRoy, Assessor's Block 1915 (excepting the portion thereof located on the west side of 28th Avenue, 200 feet south of Lawton Street, 200 feet frontage by 120 feet in depth) ...Land...$42,000.00
Title Fee... 191.00
Real Estate Department's Fee... 100.00
$42,291.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the following financial transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

75	Contractual, 3rd Quarter	$2,400.00
75A	Longfellow Land	3,132.50
76	Eureka Land	7,670.00
77	Longfellow Land	2,527.50
78	Noe Land	3,030.00
82	Fees Pianists, January	306.00
83	Auto Hire, January	369.00
84	Equipment, 3rd Quarter	200.00
85	Advertising, Noe Land	11.00
86	Expense, Noe Land	300.00
87	Expense, Eureka Land	300.00
88	Longfellow Land	9,832.50
89	Camp Salaries, January	324.00
90	Camp Contractual, 3rd Quarter	200.00
92	Camp Lumber, Tables	200.00
95	Auto Insurance	277.50
96	Corona Land	1,247.50

TRANSFER REQUESTS

79	Fees to Auto Hire	1,071.00
80	Equipment to Auto Hire	500.00
81	Permanent to Temporary Salaries, Stenographer	625.00
91	Camp Food to Camp Contractual	480.00
93	Permanent to Temporary Salaries, Bookkeeper	100.00
94	Contractual to Purchaser - Garbage Service	17.00
97	Permanent to Temporary Salaries - General Clerk	750.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

The Superintendent reported as follows:

The attorney for Mr. Walter Krausgrill, of 840 Ulloa Street, has filed a claim of $283.25 against the Recreation Department, stating that his client's property was damaged to that extent by storm water from the West Portal Playground. Mr. W. H. Worden has on several occasions had the sump drain, which is located near his property, cleaned. The reports submitted by both Mr. Frank Foehr and Mr. George Harman indicate this department has taken the proper care of the sump drain, and apparently is not responsible for the damage. Mr. Harman requested additional time to make a complete study of this matter. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission decided to hold the matter in abeyance until Mr. Harman's report is received. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

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The Marina Post of the American Legion, and the Marina Boosters wish to present a tree to this department which they propose planting near the Funston Field House on March 14, 1937, at which time an appropriate ceremony is to be held. The Commission unanimously expressed their approval, and appreciation for this gift.

The Western Division Recreation Association Conference is to be held in Fresno, March 17 to 19, 1937, inclusive. Four people were invited by Mr. Glen O. Grant, Field Representative, to attend, namely, the Superintendent, Mr. Raymond Kimbell, Mrs. Marie Foster, and Mr. Clifford Nelson. The Commission, on motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Traung, decided to have Miss Josephine D. Randall, Mrs. Marie Foster, and Mr. Clifford Nelson, represent the Recreation Department at the Western Division Recreation Association Conference in Fresno, March 17 to 19, 1937, inclusive, with all expenses paid. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

She suggested that the Commission write to the Civic Donation Editor of the Examiner regarding what San Francisco needs most, namely, that property be purchased and a Hayes Valley Recreation Center be constructed thereon. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Superintendent was authorized to submit her suggestion. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Traung outlined the following tentative budget totals for 1937-1938, prepared by the Finance Committee, with the explanation that certain changes have yet to be made:

Minimum Requirements		$438,463.00
Recommended Additions (subject to change)		116,807.00
	$555,270.00	Representing .068076 on tax rate.
Real Estate Purchases, which are to be recommended as capital expenditures over and above the 7¢ appropriation		135,000.00
Estimated capital expenses for:		
St. Mary's Park	$17,000.00	
Potrero Hill	8,000.00	25,000.00

This compares with last year's budget as follows: 1936-1937 Budget $613,000.00, of which $130,000.00 was spent for land, and $35,000 was spent on Camp. The Commission is requesting an independent appropriation for Camp.

On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved the Finance Committee's tentative budget, and authorized them, after conferring with the Mayor and the Civil Service representatives, to prepare the final draft for submission. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

Recreation Commission MEETING.

San Francisco. February 17, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 3, 1937, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mr. Dion R. Holm, Public Utilities Counsel, City Attorney's office, enclosing a letter from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, indicating they are endeavoring to conclude negotiations for removing their properties in the Crocker-Amazon Site within a few days.

From Miss Cecelia Milly, Secretary Bay View Civic Club, 1666 Quesada Avenue, requesting budget appropriations for acquiring land, and developing the playgrounds in their district. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From Mrs. Dorothy Rester, 58 Seward Street, Secretary Eureka Valley Promotion Association, requesting a budget appropriation of $50,000 for a Eureka Valley Recreation Center. The Secretary was asked to reply.

From Mr. Chas. H. Spengemann of The Richmond District Property Owners' Association, 521 Twenty-fifth Avenue, requesting the development of the vacant property on Twenty-seventh Avenue between Cabrillo and Fulton Streets, which is under this Commission's jurisdiction. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has submitted a project to the W. P. A. for the development of this site.

From Mr. Jas. J. Maher, Secretary Civil Service Commission, transmitting copies of the Summary of the Report of the Survey of the Recreation Commission. The Superintendent distributed the copies to the Commissioners.

From Mr. Raymond E. Hoyt, former Superintendent Los Angeles Recreation Department, assuring the Superintendent that her outstanding work with the San Francisco Recreation Department is recognized and commended by Recreation executives throughout the United States.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously passed the following financial transactions:

Transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission Meeting:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

98 Pianists' Fees	February	$268.00
101 Real Estate	Sunset	42,291.00
102 Auto Allowances	February	196.00

TRANSFER REQUESTS

99 Camp Food to various Camp Accounts (adjustment)	$3,672.57
100 Truck Hire to Insurance	34.00

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 65 BAY VIEW PLAYGROUND
Appropriation $13,600.01

Purchased from Albert Pontet, Lot 12-A Assessor's Block 5310	$4,250.00
Title Fee	37.50
	$4,287.50

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

She saw Mr. Leonard Leavy relative to procedure for securing credit for the moneys derived from the rental and sale of buildings on land being acquired for playground purposes. His reply to our letter indicated the moneys are to revert to the City's General Fund. Mr. J. J. Phillips is of the opinion the department should be credited with these funds. The Superintendent is to further investigate this matter.

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That the Los Angeles Recreation Department is requesting that they be furnished electricity and water free. They are requesting an additional two cents over their present four cent budget appropriation.

The attorney for Mr. Walter Krausgrill, 340 Ulloa Street, stated he is going to bring suit unless his client receives a settlement out of court for the damage to his property. Mr. George Harman submitted a detailed report regarding the damage to the property in question, near the West Portal Playground. The Superintendent endeavored to reach Mr. W. H. Worden, Director Board of Public Works, regarding this matter, and recommends that action be postponed until it is possible to see Mr. Worden. The Commission decided to follow the Superintendent's recommendation.

The Marina Post is planning a special program on Sunday, March 14, 1937, in connection with the tree planting ceremony at Funston Playground.

She recommends that after July 1, 1937, the Grant Schoolyard be opened under this department's supervision. The Commission, on motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto approved the Superintendent's recommendation. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

Supervisor Uhl asked for a list of all expenses necessary to furnish and equip Glen Park and Cabrillo Playgrounds, with the intention of securing a special appropriation from the Board of Supervisors, and thereby make possible the immediate operation of these grounds. The Superintendent was asked to reply that the amount necessary to furnish and equip the field houses and grounds on the Glen Park and Cabrillo playgrounds has been placed in the Recreation Department budget as submitted to the Mayor and the details may be obtained from the office of the Controller.

A letter was received from Regional Director, Lawrence C. Merriam of National Park Service, 601 Sheldon Bldg., requesting her to serve on the governing board of seven members, for the Mendocino Woodlands Recreational Demonstration Project. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission approved having the Superintendent serve on the board. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

The Commissioners were invited to attend the women's basketball games now in progress.

The Camp Committee Chairman decided to hold a meeting of that committee during the week of February 22, 1937, at the convenience of Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Merchant reported as follows:

The Golden Gate International Exposition authorities have placed "Recreation" in their State bill for participation in the Exposition.

He submitted the plan showing the layout of the Exposition, which includes an area for a Youth and Recreation Exhibit.

Plans have been submitted to the W. P. A. for the lighting of six playgrounds; work has been resumed on the Glen Park Building; work is progressing at Hilman and Rossi Sites. Bleacher construction is under way at Ocean View Playground.

He presented a suggested sketch for developing Corona Heights, showing a craft building, tennis courts, mothers' and children's sections, and a baseball field. Mr. McLaren urged that the property be made safe for children's play.

The Commission received a request from the Russian group which used the Sigmund Stern Grove last year, to be permitted to lease it again this year. The Commissioners decided to maintain their policy which restricts the use of the grove on Sundays to family groups of twenty-five or less.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:45 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

March 3, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M., with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren
Father Leo W. Powleson

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of February 17, 1937, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

The Camp Manager submitted a suggested resolution empowering him to administer the camp budgeted moneys for the purpose of the current operation and maintenance needs of camp. The resolution was referred to the Superintendent for consideration.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mr. P. M. Shoaf, 76 Collingwood Street, President Divisional Highway Association, inquiring for the use of an official car for the inspection tour in honor of Mrs. Frank F. Merriam, March 13, 1937. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission regrets their inability to co-operate, since they have no official car.

From Mrs. Meredith S. Thoenen, 2611 Divisadero Street, requesting the use of playgrounds in the mornings for Nursery School classes. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the request was unanimously referred to the Superintendent for investigation. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

From Miss Gail Tucker, San Jose State Teachers College, requesting that arrangements be made for physical education classes to visit the San Francisco Playgrounds. The Superintendent reported she will arrange for the visit.

From Mr. John Ednof, President Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, 953 DeHaro Street, requesting the levelling of the Potrero Hill Playground to permit the Russian-American Citizens Club to hold a field day there on April 24, 1937. The Superintendent reported the Supervisor of Grounds will be asked to scrape the surface, and it can then be used. The Commission approved the plan. Mr. Ednof is to be notified accordingly.

From Mr. Geo. H. Allen, President Visitacion Valley Improvement Association, thanking the Commission for presenting a program at their meeting of February 22, 1937.

From Brother Carl, St. James High School, 190 Fair Oaks Street, expressing appreciation for the manner Mr. Maurice Sweeney handled their baseball schedule.

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On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following financial transactions were approved and ordered paid:

Financial Transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting.

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

103 Bay View Land	$4,297.50
104 Camp Operating Accounts	1,146.84

TRANSFER REQUESTS

105 Truck Hire to Contractual	140.00
106 Rents to Contractual	100.00

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION NO. 99 General Office

1 Royal Typewriter, 12" Carriage, Ivory Type Model P.E.M. less discount, plus sales tax	74.24

NO. 97 Camp Taylor

Replacement of Equipment Building of 36 Kitchen-room tables	216.00

NO. 98 Camp Mather

Construction of sinks, and provision for additional kitchen ventilation	250.00

NO. 98 Camp Taylor

Replacement and re-routing of water & plumbing and electrical service lines in Lodge. Replacement and addition of kitchen cupboards, work tables etc. in Lodge.	655.00

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NO. 70 Camp Mather

Painting and staining of panel-board siding and ceiling of Lodge $235.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Eugene Riordan, Real Estate Department, presented a map of Corona Heights showing land acquired by this Commission. He suggested the sale of one lot previously purchased. The Finance Chairman requested that action be deferred until the Superintendent submits a written report at next meeting.

The Superintendent reported an invitation was received for this department to participate in the Golden Gate Bridge Program at Crissy Field on May 27, 1937, and she recommends that the playground children participate by presenting folk dances in costume. The Commission approved the recommendation.

The Chairman suggested that the Camp Committee be enlarged by one member, and be known hereafter as the Camp and Activities Committee, and thereby share responsibility with the Superintendent in approving general programs, in addition to handling camp matters. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission unanimously adopted the Chairman's suggestion. The Chairman appointed Father Powleson to serve on the committee. He accepted the appointment.

The Commissioners unanimously agreed to hold a special meeting on Thursday, March 11, 1937, at 1:30 P M., for the purpose of going over the entire Survey of the Recreation Commission submitted by the Civil Service Commission.

The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

Mr. W. J. Varley, President of the Central Council of Civic Clubs, 916 Kearny Street, requested the department to present a program at Crocker Amazon in connection with the Golden Gate Bridge celebration. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Traung, it was decided to postpone any celebration until the grounds are more completely developed. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

A number of slides have developed on the Douglass Playground. Miss Randall has requested Mr. Pack to make a survey and present recommendations for their immediate correction.

The Board of Directors of the Girls' Recreation Home Club at 557 VanNess Avenue South, have offered their gymnasium for this department's use. The Superintendent reported this department could use the property to advantage for athletic activities handled by Miss Rose McGreevy. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Superintendent was asked to make an investigation and submit a report of the cost of operating the gymnasium. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

Miss Hester Proctor and Miss Lydia Patzelt have requested that they be permitted to attend the Western Division Recreation Conference in Fresno, March 17 - 19, 1937, at their own expense. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung, the Commission unanimously authorized Miss Proctor and Miss Patzelt to attend the conference in Fresno. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

She and Mr. George Harman have been to see Mr. W. H. Worden relative to the damage caused to Mr. Walter Krausgrill's property at 840 Ulloa Street, adjoining West Portal Playground. Mr. Worden advised having Mr. Harman see the Superintendent of Sewers, which was done. The City Attorney advised the Superintendent to inform Mr. Krausgrill's lawyer to file a claim against the City, as provided in Section 87 of the Charter, since his complaint is a matter which can be settled only in court. The Superintendent further stated Mr. Harman's report indicated a treated wooden retaining wall could be erected on the southeast corner of West Portal Playground, costing approximately $200 for lumber and $100 for labor, which might be of some help in relieving the condition complained of during rainy weather. The Commission decided to hold this matter in abeyance, and have the lawyer file his claim if he so desires.

The present fire hazard at Hayes Valley Center and Cottage warrants the installation of two fire escapes which would cost approximately $400. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission asked the Superintendent to present a further report on this matter after seeing the Leavenworth-McAllister Realty Company from whom the buildings are leased, in an effort to have them assume this expense. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Controller requires that signed statements for recommendations for salary increases be submitted along with the Budget. In the case of two Playground Directors working as supervisors, their present rate is higher than the entrance rate specified by the Civil Service Classification for the work they are performing. The Superintendent was asked to look into this situation, and report her findings.

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Mr. W. H. Orion, Chief, Division of Health and Physical Education, State Department of Education, informed her a Mrs. C. Will of 470 Thirteenth Street, Oakland, is offering her stock of costumes for sale at $20,000.00. The Commissioners stated they are not interested in acquiring these costumes.

The Superintendent presented the Commissioners with typed copies of the Powers of the Recreation Commission as compiled from the Charter and recent Ordinance, by one of the W. P. A. lawyers.

The Camp and Activities Committee decided to hold a meeting on Friday, March 5, 1937, at 1:30 P. M.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vera E. Cunning

Secretary.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. March 5, 1937.

CAMP AND ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Camp and Activities Committee of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 1:30 P. M., with Miss Alicia Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse.

RECREATION SEMINAR

The Chairman recommended that the Committee approve the plan which is underway for organizing a Recreation Seminar, the primary purpose of which is to afford opportunity to playground directors for professional growth. The Seminar is to commence on March 30, 1937, and continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays for four successive weeks.

On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the committee unanimously approved holding a Recreation Seminar as outlined. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. McLaren, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

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The Superintendent was asked to inquire from Mr. John J. O'Toole if the Recreation Department would be declared negligent in the event of an accident occurring at a playground or gymnasium at a time when only W. P. A. workers are left in charge, in place of Recreation Department directors.

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The Superintendent presented an offer from a W.P.A. representative, Mr. Rodney Ellsworth, State Division Recreation Project, 49 Fourth St., that the Commission use the C. C. C. Camp on Mount Tamalpais for under-privileged San Francisco children during the summer, and as sponsor supply food and materials. The Commission felt the responsibility of finding well-trained counselors was an important consideration. They are also unable to furnish food. They asked the Superintendent to notify the inquirer, they do not wish to consider the offer, but suggest that the small towns in the vicinity of the camp take it over for a period of a few weeks' each.

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The Camp Manager presented three recommendations. The committee unanimously passed on the recommendations as follows:

1. That it is a wise policy to expand camp facilities so that approximately fifty additional guests per day can be accommodated at Camp Mather, and that the camp season be lengthened to the point where there is a failure of pay load patronage.

Mr. Center was requested to present to the Commission an estimate of the cost of the above-mentioned enlargement.

2. To hold in abeyance the proposal that the Controller be asked to make certain financial changes in consonance with good business practice, until the report of the camp records being made by Mr. Bruce Anderson, assigned to us by Mr. W. Middlebrook of the Controller's Office, is completed.

3. They requested Mr. Center to furnish the Commission with a detailed study of the ultimate possibilities of the Mather area for recreation use.

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Only one additional employee is needed at camp this season, i. e., a piano player. The Superintendent recommends that she be empowered to appoint a boy qualified to fill this position.

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The Camp Manager reported the value of having Mr. Ernest Meyer give time on camp publicity again this year. He was asked to consult Mr. W. Middlebrook regarding the legal method for providing Mr. Meyer with a free vacation at camp to compensate for the overtime work necessary to perform this assignment.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 2:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

Recreation Commission

San Francisco, March 17, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 10 A. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Fowleson

Absent: Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of March 3, 1937, and of the Camp and Activities Committee meeting of March 5, 1937, were on motions regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

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The Chairman presented the following offer, under date of March 16, 1937, which was addressed to the Recreation Commission:

"Members:

I understand that the City and County of San Francisco is anxious to purchase Lot 1, Assessor's Block 2521, in the City and County of San Francisco for use as a part of The Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, excepting a small portion thereof already acquired by the City for widening 19th Avenue. I also understand that the price of this property is $30,000.00 with incidental expenses of $150.00 for a title insurance policy and $65.00 for rebate of taxes; and the City is unable to raise more than $20,215.00 for this purpose. I therefore offer to make a gift to the City of the sum of $10,000.00 to be used as part payment for the acquisition of said property subject to the following conditions:

"1. Within ninety days from the date hereof the City shall appropriate $10,000.00 from Appropriation No. d13.200.10 and $10,215.00 from City funds other than Recreation Department moneys, in which event I will deposit in the City Treasury to the credit of a Trust Fund the aforementioned sum of $10,000.00, to be used solely as part of the purchase price of the above described property.

"2. Within said ninety day period a deed must be recorded vesting title to said property in the City and County of San Francisco for use as a part of The Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove.

"This offer shall be irrevocable for a period of ninety days from the date hereof, but in the event that the foregoing conditions shall not have been complied with within said time limit, then any moneys deposited by me hereunder to the credit of said Trust Fund shall be returned to me.

Sincerely yours,

ROSALIE M. STERN."

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Fowleson, the Commissioners unanimously accepted Mrs. Sigmund Stern's generous offer, and appointed a committee comprising Miss Mosgrove, Miss Randall and Father Fowleson to draw a proper resolution of acceptance which will include an expression of appreciation, and a copy of the resolution is to be spread on the Commission minutes. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Fowleson. (See page 511)

Mr. J. J. Phillips presented the following resolution dealing with the acceptance of Mrs. Stern's gift, and the purchase of additional land for the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, for approval:

On motion of Father Fowleson, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby accepts, on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco, a municipal corporation, a gift of $10,000.00 from Mrs. Rosalie M. Stern, which money shall be deposited in the City Treasury to the credit of a Trust Fund, to be used for purchase of additional land required for The Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove.

It is hereby understood that said sum of $10,000.00 shall be returned to Mrs. Stern, unless within 90 days from date hereof, the City appropriates $10,000.00 from Appropriation No. d13.200.10 and $10,215.00 from City funds other than Recreation Department moneys; and that a deed is executed within said time limit, vesting title to Lot 1, Assessor's Block 2521, in the City and County of San Francisco, for use as a part of the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, excepting the portion thereof already acquired by the City for widening 19th Avenue.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Fowleson, the following resolution was approved and ordered paid:

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Improvement Resolution No. 72, The Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove

Appropriation 613.600.10.

Purchased from Nettie Beckwith and Lena C. Tichenor, Lot 1, Assessor's Block 2521, said funds to be derived from the following:

(a) The sum of $10,000.00 from the money in the Trust Fund, received from Mrs. Rosalie M. Stern for the above mentioned purpose.
(b) The sum of $2,250.00 from Reserve for Land Purchases - General.
(c) The sum of $4,750.00 from Reserve for Land Purchases - Health Department.
(d) The sum of $3,215.00 from Reserve for Land Purchases - Fire Department.
(e) Recreation Department 1936-1937 Land Purchase Appropriation, $10,000.00.

Land	$30,000.00
Title Fee	215.00
	$30,215.00.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mr. W. H. Worden, Director of Public Works, indicating the City Engineer is investigating our complaint relative to slide condition adjoining the Gilman Site.

2. From the Longfellow-Mt.Vernon Improvement Club, and the Longfellow P. T. A., requesting a 1937-1938 Budget appropriation. The Commissioners stated, it is too late to alter the Budget since it has already been submitted.

3. From Miss Hester Proctor requesting the Commission to authorize the assignment of Mrs. Pauline McGuire as Story Teller on the playgrounds during the period July 5,to August 14, 1937, and that Miss Phyllis Fogarty conduct the puppet program with the travelling theatre between June 21, and August 14, 1937. The Commission decided to hold these requests in abeyance.

4. From Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, President Motion Picture Research Council, 111 Sutter Street, requesting the Commission to appoint a member on the committee to investigate the problem of child attendance at motion picture theatres. It was decided to defer action in this matter.

5. Claim filed against the Recreation Commission and the City and County of San Francisco by Walter Krausgrill, regarding damage to his property at 940 Ulloa Street, adjoining West Portal Playground. The City Attorney is handling this claim.

6. From St. James Church, 1080 Guerrero Street, expressing appreciation for the courtesy shown by Mr. Maurice Sweeney in scheduling their C. Y. O. baseball team.

7. From Captain W. T. Healy stating the recent survey of the Police Department recommended the abandonment of seven police stations which may later be available for recreation centers.

8. From Mr. Clifford Nelson, Supervisor of Visual Recreation Department, notifying the Commission of the showing of the motion picture "The Small Boat", and the presentation of an appropriate program to be held at the Civic School of Commerce auditorium on April 8, 1937, at 8:25 P. M. His letter also called attention to the photographic work performed by the Hyde Valley Recreation Center Camera Club, and the display of their activity in the Superintendent's office.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, Miss Tindall was authorized to sign the letter to the Controller relative to recommendations for Controller All Wages, which is to be attached to our regular routine report. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson. The above action was taken when it was explained that this is a resolution relative to wages for each Department head, and we have been advised by Mr. Worden that this will keep Labor interests, relative to recreation, now protected.

The following letters presented by the Chairman of the Park and Recreation Committee were discussed. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, and unanimously carried:

1. Resolved, That a recreation seminar be organized for the primary purpose of providing opportunity to playground directors for the purpose of discussing problems of mutual interest, that the classes be held on Tuesday evenings, beginning April 6th, from 7:30 P. M. until 9:30 P. M., from March 30th to April 20th, inclusive, and that all be permitted to absent themselves from not to exceed two sessions.

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2. That the Superintendent be empowered to appoint a piano player for Camp Mather.

3. That the Superintendent be authorized to send a letter to the Civil Service Commission requesting that positions at Camp Mather now erroneously designated as 1-103 Institutional Help be called Part Time Camp Assistants because the present classification does not describe the duties of these employees.

4. Authorizing Camp Manager to Administer Camp Budgeted Moneys in Accordance with Charter Provisions.

WHEREAS the Recreation Commission wants to have the current flow of Camp Mather operations proceed in an orderly, unobstructed and duly authorized manner, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Camp Manager is hereby authorized to administer the expenditures of the Camp Mather budgeted moneys for the purpose of satisfying all the needs entailed by the current operations and maintenance of said camp, subject to the approval of the Camp and Activities Committee of the Recreation Commission and provided, of course, that adherence is made to all the provisions of the Charter of the City and County of San Francisco which are pertinent to the necessary procedure of such administration.

5. That it is a wise policy to expand camp facilities so that approximately fifty additional guests per day can be accommodated at Camp Mather, and that the camp season be lengthened to the point where there is a failure to ;ay load patronage.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

The Secretary was asked to write to Mr. Rodney Ellsworth, State Division Recreation Project, 48 Fourth Street, that the Recreation Commission is not interested in his offer that they use the C.C.C. Camp on Mt. Tamalpais for under-privileged San Francisco children during the summer, but suggest that two small towns in the vicinity of camp take it over for a period of a few weeks each.

The Superintendent's written report relative to recommendations made at the special Commission meeting of March 11, 1937, requested approval and consideration of the following matters:

1. Formal approval of all acts of the Commission in the past. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Superintendent was authorized to consult the City Attorney regarding the procedure for approving all previous Commission decisions which were not by formal motion.

2. Formal resolution requesting the Civil Service Commission to classify and hold promotional examination for Business Manager.

Resolution Requesting Creation of Position of Business Manager, and the Holding of Promotive Examination to Fill Position.

Upon motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the Civil Service Commission, after a thorough survey of the Recreation Department, did, in its report of February 19, recommend, among other things, establishment of the position of Business Manager of the Recreation Department; and

Whereas, the Recreation Commission has approved the creation of said position by resolution at its regular meeting on December 6, 1937, and at several subsequent meetings; and

Whereas, the duties and responsibilities of this position are such as to justify but make impossible the classification of the incumbent thereof at this time for the efficient and orderly conduct of the Department's affairs;

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Civil Service Commission and the Board of Supervisors be requested to create immediately the position of Business Manager at compensation of $300.00 per month, plus the usual salary increment at completion of one year of satisfactory service, and approve the annual salary recommended by the Civil Service Commission, and appoint the person now employed in the position of Business Manager to accommodate an emergency appointment; and further that the Civil Service Commission be requested to hold a promotive examination as early as may be convenient.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

3. Consideration of resolutions presented by Assistant Curator, Junior Museum, Visual Recreation, requesting a salary increase for the Junior Museum staff at large, and that all new playground directors be placed in the Commission decided to defer action in this matter. turns from the Fresno Seminar.

At the suggestion of the Superintendent, the Commissioners wished to increase the salary of all permanent employees of the Supervisors, Assistant Supervisors, Directors-at-Large, Museum, to the maximum salary for their classification, of about $1200 a year.

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The consensus of opinion was that the final budget was previously submitted, and therefore no changes are to be made.

The Superintendent's written report included the following information:

Corona Heights. Mr. Meyer Rosenberg has removed the rock desired, but has not corrected the slide condition. Mr. C. E. Healy stated on March 15, that he would see about it immediately. Mr. Merchant reported Mr. Healy is taking the necessary responsibility in this matter, and it is advisable to let the matter rest in that way, at present.

Hayes Valley. There is a report that the Hayes Valley Center building may be purchased by a Greek organization, and the Superintendent inquired if the fire escapes should be delayed until a decision is reached. Mr. Merchant recommended that the Fire Department be asked to make a survey of the existing fire hazard, otherwise the Recreation Commission would be shouldering a responsibility which should be referred to experts. The Commission decided to hold this matter in abeyance until the Superintendent's return.

St. Mary's Site. The recent slide condition was reported to Mr. C.E. Healy, and he said he would endeavor to have Mr. Leonard Leavy see it on March 15, and have him consider it an emergency.

Ingleside Site. The reservoir on this property is extremely dangerous, and is being drained. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Superintendent was authorized to take the proper procedure to have the property made safe. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

Six-Year Program of Public Works. She presented eighteen sets of project reports covering a Six-Year Program of Public Works which this department was requested by the National Resources Committee to submit, when approved, to Mr. L. E. McDougal c/o State Planning Board, 76 Appraiser's Stores Bldg., San Francisco. The Superintendent recommended their approval, since it does not tie up the Commission in any monetary agreement, and this plan will bring about the general development of necessary playground and recreation areas in San Francisco. The projects are as follows:

CROCKER AMAZON SITE	$410,000.00
SAINT MARY'S PLAYGROUND	178,000.00
POTRERO HILL PLAYGROUND	165,000.00
JAMES D. PHELAN RECREATION BEACH	80,000.00
OCEAN VIEW PLAYGROUND	120,000.00
ORTEGA PLAYGROUND	20,000.00
27th Ave. and FULTON ST.	40,000.00
SIGMUND STERN RECREATION GROVE	22,000.00
GILMAN PLAYGROUND	15,000.00
INGLESIDE PLAYGROUND	230,000.00
ANGELO J. ROSSI PLAYGROUND	340,000.00
LONGFELLOW PLAYGROUND	50,000.00
CORONA HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND	320,000.00
SUNSET PLAYGROUND	160,000.00
SUNSET PLAYGROUND	170,000.00
BALBOA PLAYGROUND	35,000.00
EUREKA VALLEY PLAYGROUND	45,000.00
UPPER NOE VALLEY PLAYGROUND	162,000.00
	$2,562,000.00

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously recommended that these projects be approved for submission.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

Estimated Surplus. By June 30, 1937, it is estimated that there will be an approximate surplus of $10,000.00 in the Recreation Commission Funds. The Superintendent recommends that a portion of this amount be expended as follows:

Working Drawings, Ocean View	$3,600.00
Completion Bolinas Horseshoe Links, with lighting on meter	2,580.00
Purchase Toy Symphony Instruments	125.00
	$6,305.00

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved [illegible] Resolution 73, Ocean View Playground.

[illegible] Plans, specifications and working drawings for [illegible] improvements $3,600.00

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mrs. [illegible]grove, the Commission unanimously approved [illegible] Resolution 74, [illegible] Horseshoe Links.

Construction of eight additional horseshoe links to complete original plan for sixteen links on this location.

Labor	$500.00
Play Sand	80.00
	$580.00

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Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

It was decided to refer the purchase of the Toy Symphony Instruments to the Finance Committee for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the following Financial Transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting were unanimously approved as presented:

Allotment Requests:

109 Pianists' Fees - March	$228.00
110 Equipment	224.00

Transfer Requests:

107 Camp Reserve to Camp Operating Accounts	$656.04
108 Camp Material to Camp Construction	3.54

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

RESOLUTION, AUTO HIRE ALLOWANCE

Attention was directed to the fact that auto hire allowances to staff members for the month of February had not been approved by the Controller.

The appropriation of $2,748.00 for 1936-1937 Auto Hire was inadequate by some $1,500.00 to meet requirements for this purpose, necessitating transfers from other appropriations, requests for which were made on December 16, 1936, as follows:

No. 79 from Fees (Pianists)	$1,071.00
No. 80 from Equipment	500.00

Anticipating the deficit in the Auto Hire Appropriation, music programs were curtailed and certain equipment items eliminated to provide a surplus with which to meet auto allowance payments deemed more important.

Reviewing these facts, upon motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, it was unanimously voted that the transfers of funds above indicated be and they are hereby specifically authorized and approved.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

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On motion regularly moved and seconded, the following resolution was unanimously approved, with the request that it be incorporated in the minutes of March 17,1937:

RESOLUTION IN APPRECIATION OF MRS. SIGMUND STERN'S GIFT

WHEREAS, The Recreation Commission in regular meeting on March 17, 1937, accepted the generous gift of Mrs. Sigmund Stern of $10,000 to apply on the purchase of a lot on the northwest corner of Nineteenth Avenue and Sloat Boulevard inthe City and County of San Francisco. and

WHEREAS, The purchase of this property has made possible a dignified and suitable entrance to the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Recreation Commission in behalf of the citizens of San Francisco and in recognition of her vision and work in the field of recreation include this resolution on the Recreation Commission minutes, and a copy be sent Mrs. Sigmund Stern.

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr.McLaren

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The Coroner's office notified this department on March 16, 1937, of the death of one Peter Hokokian of 1901 McAllister Street. It was reported he was injured in a basketball game at Everett Junior High School on March 12, 1937, between 7 and 9 P.M. The Superintendent secured a statement from Mr. Louis Conlan, Director at the Everett Gymnasium, which shows he had no knowledge of any physical disability, and when the boy complained of a stomach pain had him take a shower and go home. Mr. Kimball was asked to follow through in this matter.

A report was received from Mr. Raymond Kimball showing the number of athletic supplies repaired by the W.P.A.

Mr. Merchant presented the plan for the convenience station for Crocker-Amazon.

Mr. Traung informed the Commission he is leaving for Europe in March, to be away four months, and plans to do some work for the Golden Gate International Exposition while abroad. Mr. Merchant informed him the Superintendent has written to Col. [illegible] Franklin Bell regarding official authorization for him to represent the exposition, and he will follow through on this matter for Mr. Traung.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 11:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recreation Commission

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SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 4 P.M. for the purpose of considering the Board of Education's request that additional land in the Ingleside Recreation Site be transferred to them for Junior College purposes. Mrs. Sigmund Stern presided.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. John McLaren

Mr. Nourse advised the Commission, Mr. Timothy L. Pflueger, Architect for the San Francisco Junior College, has been working on plans for the complete layout for the college, and after thoroughly consulting the Board of Education recommends that additional land be transferred. The proposed transfer is that property on the crest of the eucalyptus-covered knoll where the present reservoir is situated. The most ideal location for the main building of the college will require this property, approximately two and one-half acres in area. Mr. Nourse stressed the need for immediate action, otherwise approximately $500,000 set aside for this project would revert to the general fund if not expended by July 1, 1937; also, this project is the most necessary part of the school building program at the present time.

The Commission decided to withhold their decision until Wednesday's regular meeting. In the meantime they will meet in the Mayor's Office at 5 P.M. today, with the members of the Board of Education, and look over the model of the Junior College which is a miniature design of Mr. Pflueger's plans.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recreation Commission

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San Francisco. April 7, 1937.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. John McLaren

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The reading of the minutes of the meetings of March 17, 1937, and April 5, 1937, was postposed until the next regular meeting.

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The Recreation Commission discussed in detail the transfer of land in the Ingleside Playground Site, and took the following action, on motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Raffetto:

RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING LAND IN THE INGLESIDE PLAYGROUND SITE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLVED, That the Recreation Commission hereby agrees to transfer sufficient land in the Ingleside Playground Site to the Board of Education in order that they may carry out their plan for the erection of the science building and future class rooms which are a part of their San Francisco Junior College building program, said land to be transferred being designated in red crayon on J. R. Miller and T. L. Pflueger's plan dated April 2, 1937, and more fully described as follows:

Commencing at the intersection of the northerly property line of Ocean Avenue and the easterly line of Phelan Avenue; thence northerly along the easterly property line of Phelan Avenue 1305.376 feet; thence deflecting to the right 90° 07' 28" and distant 734 feet to the true point of beginning; thence along the last named course in an easterly direction and distant 189.384 feet; thence deflecting to the right 90° and distant 438 feet; thence deflecting to the right 30° 26' 52" and distant 204.01 feet; thence deflecting to the right 149° 33' 08" and distant 175.875 feet; thence deflecting to the left 90o and distant 375 feet; thence deflecting to the right 90° and distant 250 feet; thence deflecting to the right 90° and distant 290 feet; thence deflecting to the left 90o and distant 188 feet to the true point of beginning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in consideration of this land transfer, the Recreation Commission is to be given proper compensation from the Board of Education, to be determined by the Director of Property.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

The Commission's plan is to use the compensation referred to in the resolution for the purchase of additional property adjoining the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, known as Pinelake Park.

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Mr. Eneas Kane, Mayor's Office, requested the Commission on behalf of the Golden Gate Bridge Fiesta Committee to permit the Russian Musical Society of San Francisco to use the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove on May 29, 30, 31, 1937, for a three-day Russian Fair to be included in the official program of the Fiesta. The Commission granted the request on the basis of $100.00 per day and 5% of the gross receipts. The working out of details was referred to Miss Randall.

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Mr. M. C. Merrill, a Tuolumne County Supervisor, and Mr. Edward Morris, Managing Director Alta California Association, appeared before the Commission in the interest of the establishment of an all-year-round Highway over the so-called "back road" leading from the Cliff House to Camp Mather approximately fourteen miles distant therefrom.

The Recreation Commission having realized the advisability of taking steps to insure the operation of Camp Mather for winter snow sports for the people of San Francisco, decided to submit at this time a resolution to the Education, Parks and Recreation Committee of the Board of Supervisors.

The following resolution which was made by Miss Mosgrove, and seconded by Father Powleson, was unanimously passed:

RESOLUTION URGING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ALL-YEAR-ROUND HIGHWAY TO CAMP MATHER

WHEREAS, The Recreation Commission, for several years, has been desirous of making possible the establishment of a winter snow sports at Camp Mather, Tuolumne County, for the citizens of San Francisco, and the Recreation Commission's attention has been called to the proposed plan to relocate roadway 120 in Tuolumne County which roadway extends from the Cliff House to Camp Mather approximately fourteen miles, by making an all-year round Highway of the so-called "back road" extending between the two points mentioned above, and

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WHEREAS, Said highway will thereby assure the establishment of an all-year-round highway whose grades would not be excessive as are those of the present roadway 120, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in the interest of the people of San Francisco, be requested to send a resolution urging the State Department of Public Works to have the State Highway Department relocate roadway 120 by providing an all-year-round highway over the "back road" andthat whatever steps are necessary to effect this action, be taken immediately.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

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Mr. Murray Norton and his attorney, Mr. L. S. Deming, appeared before the Commission to request that the slide condition at St. Mary's Playground Site be remedied in order that his property 270' x 960' in area which adjoins the playground be properly protected. The Superintendent reported she wrote to Mr. Healy requesting the W.P.A. to remedy the slide condition, and he verbally promised to do this in the near future.

Mr. Norton suggested that his property be graded down to a gradual slope, thereby protecting the slide area. The Superintendent was authorized to investigate this suggested remedy.

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The Commission decided to postpone the reading of the communications which were to have been presented at today's meeting until next Commission meeting.

Upon motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the following financial transactions were unanimously approved:

Transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting:

Allotment Requests

No. 111 Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove Land.....$10,000.00

Improvement Resolution No. 75 Equipment, Sigmund Stern Grove -

Purchase Toro 17-½" Power Putting Green Mower with all-metal grass catcher and one Dunham two-section water ballast hand lawn roller complete.

Toro Mower	$225.00
Dunham Roller	75.00
	$300.00

Improvement Resolution No. 76 Purchase Toy Symphony Instruments

Approximately $125.00

Improvement Resolution No. 77 Golf Driving Cages, Funston

Labor and Material to repair cages, and installing new cocoa matting curtains.....$298.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

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The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

W.P.A. Playground Improvements. She was authorized to send a letter to His Honor, The Mayor, as a matter of record, acquainting him with the improvements on play rounds necessary to be made which were submitted to W.P.A. and not included in the department's budget.

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Promotive Examinations. Upon motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HOLDING OF PROMOTIVE EXAMINATIONS FOR POSITIONS OF SUPERVISOR OF ATHLETICS, AND SUPERVISOR OF GIRLS' AND WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

WHEREAS the Civil Service Commission in 1934 approved the holding of written promotive examinations for the positions of Supervisor of Athletics, and the Supervisor of Girls' and Women's Activities, and

WHEREAS the Recreation Commission still approves that this action be taken, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Civil Service Commission be requested to hold promotive examinations as soon as convenient for these positions at compensation of $298.00 per month.

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto.

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Department Indebtedness. The Controller notified this department that it is obliged to reimburse the City Treasury over a period of ten years with the sum of $9500.00 to cover reserves. The Superintendent requested that Mr. L. Leavy furnish an itemized statement of this indebtedness.

Department Surplus. The Superintendent recommends that when money is available, proper drainage, sprinkler valves and convenience station be installed at Potrero Hill Playground. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Raffetto the Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation to expend the money available, and asked that a detailed estimate be submitted for ratification. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

Special Summer Assignments Acting upon the Superintendent's recommendation, the Commission passed the following motion which was made by Father Powleson and seconded by Mr. Raffetto: Mrs. Pauline McGuire is to be assigned as Story Teller on the playgrounds during the summer period, and Miss Phyllis Fogerty is to conduct the puppet program with the travelling theatre. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

National Recreation Association Conference. This conference is to be held in Atlantic City from May 17 to 21, 1937, inclusive. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Superintendent of Recreation, Miss Josephine D. Randall, was authorized to attend the National Recreation Association Conference in Atlantic City from May 17 to May 21, 1937, also to make advisable contacts in Washington, D. C., while East, and all expenses in connection therewith are to be paid by the Recreation Department. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

Ingleside Reservoir Property. The Commission advised the Superintendent that inasmuch as they are transferring the Ingleside Reservoir property to the Board of Education, it will not be necessary to take any further steps in regard to filling in the reservoir.

Corona Heights Mr. Meyer Rosenberg has promised he will fix the road leading into our Corona Heights property, in return for the rock he is removing.

W. P. A. Repair Projects The Commissioners were informed that the general W. P. A. playground repair projects have come to a standstill.

Hayes Valley Recreation Center. The Superintendent was authorized on motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, to request the Fire Department to make a survey of the fire hazard situation at the Hayes Valley Recreation Center. Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto was authorized to inspect the blocks with Mr. J.J.Phillips, Director of Property, recently acquired on playground sites, with a view to recommending which ones should be retained for playground purposes and which should be rented or sold for public auction.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recreation Commission

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MEETING

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The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Rev. Leo W. Powleson (on leave)
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of March 17, April 5, and April 7, 1937, were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved.

NICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mr. Harold J. Regan, Secretary Native Sons of the Golden West, 414 Mason Street, requesting playground improvements, and new recreation areas. The Superintendent was asked to reply that the Commission has no funds available for making improvements, but has submitted a project to the W. P. A. covering the necessary work.

From Mr. J. J. Phillips, informing the Commission they acquired on March 18, 1937, all of the block bounded by Twenty-eighth and Twenty-ninth Avenues, Lawton and Moraga Streets, excepting that piece 120' x 200' located on the west side of Twenty-eighth Avenue, 200' south of Lawton.

From Mr. J. Hadtzes of 45 Winfield Street requesting a recreation area for children in his neighborhood. The Secretary was instructed to reply that there are no funds in the budget available for playground expansion.

From Mr. Paul Lavaysse of 1005 Phelps Street requesting a recreation center adjacent to the Burnett School. The Secretary was asked to reply that no funds were provided for new buildings in the budget.

From Mr. Jos. H. Finigan, Buckbee Thorne and Company offering the Lurline Baths property having a frontage of 266' on Bush Street, 120' on Larkin Street, and 266' on Austin Avenue, for $80,000.00. The Commission is unable to consider the offer since there are no funds available for additional land purchases.

From Mr. John J. Casey, City Engineer, informing the Commission their request that the sidewalk on the Bay Street side of Funston Playground be 6' wide and 2' away from the curb line, was approved, with the request that the W. P. A. perform the work as the Recreation Commission requested.

On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously approved the following financial transactions:

Financial Transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission Meeting:

Allotment Requests

No. 112	Mower and Roller	$123.80
No. 113	Pianists, April	400.00
No. 114	Temporary Salaries, Pools, May and June	750.00

Improvement Resolution No. 78 Margaret S. Hayward and other Playgrounds.

Rebuilding metal gates at Margaret S. Hayward Playground, and making welding repairs to gates, fences and apparatus at Father Crowley, Richmond, North Beach, Hamilton, James Rolph and Folsom Playgrounds.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

Mr. Raffetto reported he looked over the buildings on playground sites recently acquired by the Real Estate Department, as listed in Mr. J. J. Phillips' letter of March 31, 1937. He moved that all unoccupied buildings be sold immediately at public auction, and that the remaining buildings be sold as they become vacant. The motion was seconded by Mr. Nourse, and unanimously carried. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

The Secretary was instructed to notify Mr. Phillips of the Commission's action.

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The Commission considered the following Civil Service matters:

[illegible] they plan to see Mr. Wm. L. Henderson regarding the salary of Lee [illegible] Superintendent of Recreation, to ascertain if it is necessary that it appear in the salary ordinance since it is a non-civil-service position.

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On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the following resolution was approved for submission to the Board of Supervisors:

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Authorizing a supplemental appropriation of $450 out of the surplus existing in Appropriation No. 613.101.00 to the credit of Appropriation No. 613.101.00 for the purpose of creating one position of Business Manager at $300.00 per month in the Recreation Department.

The sum of $450 is hereby appropriated and set aside out of the surplus existing in Appropriation No. 613.101.00 to the credit of Appropriation No. 613.101.00.

Section 2. There is hereby created in the Recreation Department one position of Business Manager at $300.00 per month, the compensation of which is provided by funds appropriated in Section 1 hereof.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

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On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the following scope for the position of Business Manager was approved:

1.188. Business Manager, Recreation Department

Subject to the approval of the Recreation Commission and under the direct supervision of the Superintendent of the Recreation Department, responsible for the maintenance of proper departmental control and recording of expenditures; supervises all clerical, accounting and other procedures incident to the business administration of the department; supervises the purchase, maintenance and repair of supplies and physical properties, responsible to the Superintendent of the Recreation Department for carrying out the budgetary and other fiscal provisions of the charter and such other matters incident thereto as the Superintendent shall direct.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Nourse.
Noes: Mr. Raffetto.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the following changes in the Salary Ordinance were approved for submission to Mr. James Mahar, Chairman of the Salary Ordinance Committee:

Superintendent of Recreation,	from $325-$425 to $450-$600;
Supervisor of Athletics,	from $175-$225 to $200-$300;
Supervisor of Women's Activities,	from $175-$225 to $200-$300; $300-$400.
Business Manager.	

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

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On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission approved the establishment of the position of Executive Secretary, to the Superintendent Recreation Department, at compensation ranging from $250-$325, and the duties are to be as follows:

Assists the Superintendent of the Recreation Department in [illegible] matters with appropriate departments. Makes investigations, secures information and prepares reports regarding operation of such departments. Attends conferences. Represents the Superintendent at Conferences and prepares [illegible] recommendations and performs such other duties as may be assigned.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

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On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the [illegible] that new assignments to the position of Playground Director on an hourly basis at $1.00 per hour, with the [illegible] Service list of eligible playground directors, [illegible] hours, affecting all playground [illegible] with their respective playground [illegible].

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

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[illegible] reported on the following matters:

[illegible] the Mayor's office to permit the [illegible] Stern Recreation Grove on May 29, [illegible] Bridge Fiesta, for the total charge [illegible] permission to do so. On motion of [illegible], Raffetto, the Commission approved Mrs. Stern's [illegible] Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

[illegible] it organizations in the Marina [illegible] Field House on April 25, 1937, in [illegible] Golden Gate Bridge Fiesta expenses. The [illegible] playground buildings are scheduled [illegible] not wish to curtail these activities for money-raising purposes.

[illegible] playgrounds, during the morning, on all of San Francisco's playgrounds, under W. P. A. auspices. The Commission decided that it would not be advisable to approve this request.

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She has advised the Nursery School, being conducted under F. E. R. A. at Southside Center, to move their classes from our property as soon as possible since the present set-up is most unsatisfactory.

Both Mr. Clifford Nelson and Mrs. Marie Foster received invitations to attend the National Recreation Association Conference in Atlantic City. For the past two conferences this department has sent two official delegates. She therefore recommended that Mr. Nelson be sent in order to present his Visual Recreation program. On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Clifford Nelson was authorized to attend the National Recreation Association Conference in Atlantic City from May 17 to May 21, 1937, and all expenses in connection therewith are to be paid by the Recreation Department. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

A request was received that the wives of the executives at the Diamond "O" Boys Scout Camp, who reside in the East Bay, be permitted to stay at Camp Mather for the season at the regular rate. The Commission disapproved the request since they did not wish to depart from their policy of permitting people to remain at camp longer than two weeks, and furthermore deprive San Franciscans from the use of the camp.

The Shopping News asked permission to pay for vacations at Camp Mather for six boys. The Camp Manager was asked to secure an agreement from that organization relative to same.

She asked for general approval of the plan to submit to the Mayor on Foundation of New York City, a request that they acquire the land bounded by Hayes, Buchanan, Linden and Laguna Streets and construct a Recreation Center building. On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Superintendent was authorized to have Mr. J.J.Phillips furnish an appraisal of the property, and to have Mr. Merchant advise her as to the proper lay-out for submission to the Commission before proceeding further. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

She presented an inspection report from the Fire Department relative to the fire hazard situation at Hayes Valley Recreation Center which recommended that the Bureau of Building Inspection be requested to make a thorough investigation of this property. The Commission authorized the Superintendent to follow this recommendation.

She presented a copy of her letter to Mayor Rossi on April 15, 1937, informing him of necessary playground improvements totaling $45,000. Certain items were not included in our budget, but requested through W.P.A. She therefore requested that he keep them in mind when City funds are available for additional projects.

She requested, whenever money is more available, that she be authorized to order playground signs, similar to the one installed at the Diamond Stern Recreation Grove, which cost approximately $15.00. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission approved [illegible] signs, similar to the previously accepted design, when [illegible] the necessary money is available and the Superintendent directs. The Commission approved this action.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:5[illegible] P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida E. Fanning
Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco.

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San Francisco. May 5, 1937.

COMMISSION MEETING

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J.Raffetto
The Rev. Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Jos. P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Chas. F. Traung (on leave)

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of April 21, 1937, were on motion regularly moved and carried approved as read with the insertion of the following matter:

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the revised Salary Range for the Superintendent of Recreation i. e. from $325-425 to $450-600 was unanimously approved for submission to Mr. James Maher, Chairman of the Salary Ordinance Committee, along with the other recommendations passed at the April 21, 1937, meeting for submission to the above-named committee. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. McLaren.

MUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mr. E. J. Riordan, Assistant Director of Property, inquiring if the Commission wants to use the house at 626 Brunswick Street for recreation purposes. The matter was referred to Mr. Raffetto for investigation and report.

2. From Miss Florence Friedman, informing the Commission that His Honor, Mayor Rossi, has proclaimed Sunday, June 13, 1937, as the Second Annual John McLaren Day and an appropriate celebration is to be held that day at 2 P. M. at McLaren Park.

3. From Dr. J. C. Geiger, Director of Public Health, asking the Commission to correct the present unsanitary conditions existing at Funston Playground as a result of unsatisfactory plumbing equipment.

The Superintendent reported modern drinking fountains and plumbing fixtures are not only needed at Funston Playground, but on most of the playgrounds. It would be financially impossible to replace all fixtures at this time. The Superintendent was authorized to secure an estimate, for replacing this equipment on Funston Playground, for submission at the next Commission meeting. The Secretary was instructed to inform Dr. Geiger that the Commission is investigating his request.

4. From Mr. W. C. Swanson, Vice-President and General Manager of the S.F. Convention and Tourist Bureau, enclosing a suggested letter to send to the National Recreation Association regarding the invasion of the proposed National Recreation Association Conference in San Francisco during 1939.

The Commission unanimously recommends that the suggested letter be sent by the Superintendent to the National Recreation Association.

5. From Mr. John J. Carmody et., 22 Joseph Street, requesting permission to operate a fleet of non-sinkable and practically non-capsizable boats on the lake at Camp Mather. The Chairman of the Camp Committee disapproved this request because of the young children, and inexperienced swimmers. The Commission therefore unanimously agreed to the recommendations of the Camp Committee chairman. The Secretary was instructed to reply accordingly.

6. A petition from 117 residents of the [illegible] district requesting the construction of a recreation center on West Portal [illegible]. The Secretary was instructed to reply to Mrs. [illegible] that the W. P. A., Ulloa Street, that the Commission's Athletics plans for this [illegible] but up to the present time they have not been approved.

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On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and unanimously carried the following financial transactions were approved:

Financial transactions approved by the Superintendent since the last Commission meeting:

Allotment Requests
No. 115 Permanent Salaries to Special Fees
Contract for Beach Recreation Leaders . . . . . $[illegible]

No. 116 Fees - Pianists - May, June . . . . . $[illegible]

Transfer Requests
No. 117 Fees to Contractual - Curtis . . . . . $[illegible]

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 79 CORONA HEIGHTS PLAYGROUND
Appropriation 613.600.12

Purchased from Mary Howatt, Lot 37,
Assessor's Block 2621 . . . . . $200.00
Mary Howatt, and Michael Garrity,
Lots 25, 26, 27,
Assessor's Block 2621 . . . . . 600.00

Title Fees . . 30.00

$830.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

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Mr. Wm. Henderson, Personnel Expert, Civil Service Commission, appeared before the Recreation Commission relative to the Scope for the position of Business Manager for the Recreation Department.

The Charter provides for one chief executive officer through whom all administrative matters must be cleared. It was recommended, therefore, that the position of Business Manager be subordinate to and under the supervision of the Superintendent who is the chief executive officer of the department.

Mr. Henderson is, on the other hand, of the opinion that unless the position is made directly responsible to the Recreation Commission with a formal subordination to the Superintendent, it may not merit the requested classification.

Mr. Henderson requested the Recreation Commission to submit in the form of a resolution a definite and specific statement of the duties and responsibilities that they want to delegate for the position of Business Manager, after which time they will classify the position.

Mr. [illegible] also appeared before the Recreation Commission regarding this matter. He promised to meet with Mr. Henderson regarding the point at issue, and have a report ready prior to the Special Commission meeting scheduled for Monday, May 10, 1937, at 2 P. M.

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Mr. Henderson informed the Recreation Commission that his Commission plans to hold examinations after the beginning of the fiscal year for the positions of Supervisor of Athletics, and Supervisor of Girls' and Women's Activities. The Superintendent requested that the latter examination be postponed until Miss Rose McChesney's return from Camp Mather at which time she would have completed her summer assignment at camp, and be free to take the examination for the position she is holding at present.

Mr. Henderson also reported a new ruling whereby per-diem employees are to be allowed sick leave with pay. This will automatically increase the maximum monthly rates of the hourly rates of playground directors. The [illegible] rate of $[illegible] per hour may be too high, and therefore illegal. The Civil Service Committee of the Commission decided to meet with Mr. Henderson on Monday, May 10, 1937, at 1:30 P. M. for the purpose of considering this matter. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

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The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

[illegible] Civil Service examinations for playground directors, Class J 72, are to be held commencing [illegible] Committee agreed to discuss the scope of these examinations at Monday's special meeting.

[illegible] It is advisable to demolish the old brick building formerly used as the women's jail. The Superintendent [illegible].

[illegible] Recreation Bureau, from Sprinkler System, [illegible] there is a misunderstanding about the $2956.00 the Board of [illegible] Department in connection with the sprinkler [illegible]. The Controller's office is of the opinion [illegible], believing it to be W. P. A. money assigned [illegible] revealed the money was not originally received [illegible] from the W. P. A. Procurement Office. [illegible] to take up this matter with Mr. Healy and [illegible].

[illegible], St. Mary's Playground Site. A report, dated [illegible], was submitted by Mr. George Harman, outlining three methods [illegible], as follows:

[illegible] the construction of a crib wall;

[illegible] a tunnel in the Horton property;

[illegible] negotiate the Horton family for damage to their property [illegible] by filling in a strip of their land.

The third plan was recommended since it is the cheapest and would not present involved engineering problems.

The spring, if existent, or the seepage of water must be taken care of in any event and will require exploratory work to locate.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to work out the third plan with Mr. C.E. Healy. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

Potrero Hill Development Bids are to be submitted in the near future for the Partial Development of Potrero Hill Playground, and it may be necessary, in order to hasten the work, to call a special commission meeting at which time the contract is to be let.

Use of St. Mary's Playground Site Mr.C. E. Healy has requested that the upper level of the St. Mary's Playground Site be used by the Mormons when they visit San Francisco in connection with the Golden Gate Bridge Fiesta. He plans to construct the necessary sanitary facilities. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously approved the request. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

Picnic Grounds, near Lake Merced Supervisor Uhl has called the Commission's attention to the possibility of obtaining from the Public Utilities Commission, at a nominal lease, property under their jurisdiction near Lake Merced which might be used for Sunday picnics. Mr. Raffetto plans to visit the site in company with the Superintendent.

Leave of Absence Miss Nancy Bean has requested a month's leave of absence in order to travel. The Superintendent recommended that the request be granted. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, Miss Bean's request was approved. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

Equipment, Pool The diving board at Mission Pool is in a dangerous condition, and should be replaced. The Superintendent was authorized to remove it immediately.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 5:05 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

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SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the following Civil Service matter.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Chas. P. Traung (on leave)
The Rev. Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Mourse

Mr. John J. O'Toole, City Attorney, appeared before the Commission and stated it is the right of the Recreation Commission to prescribe the duties of any position within their jurisdiction, but the matter of classification rests with the Civil Service Commission.

He presented a suggested scope of duties for the position of Business Manager Recreation Department. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously accepted the duties for the position of B 185 Business Manager Recreation Department as presented in writing by Mr. John J. O'Toole, which appear in the following resolution, and asked that the Civil Service Commission be so notified.

RESOLUTION REQUESTING CREATION POSITION BUSINESS MANAGER RECREATION DEPARTMENT, WITH DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS SPECIFIED

RESOLVED that the Recreation Commission, for the purpose of increasing the efficiency of the Recreation Department, hereby requests that the position of Business Manager Recreation Department be created immediately with duties and responsibilities as outlined below, and that the Civil Service Commission conduct a promotive examination for this position as early as may be convenient.

B 185 BUSINESS MANAGER RECREATION DEPARTMENT shall, under the supervision of the Superintendent of the Department, and subject to the approval of the Commission, have charge of all clerical and accounting procedure of the department. He shall be responsible for the maintenance and repair of all the physical properties which are under the jurisdiction of the Commission. He shall also have supervision of the budgetary and fiscal matters arising in the department and shall co-operate with the Controller to the end that all budgetary and fiscal regulations are complied with. He shall certify to the Superintendent as to the availability of funds to meet any liability to arise on contracts or purchase orders before said contract is entered into or purchase order placed with the Purchaser. He shall make monthly reports on all contracts entered into by the Commission, as well as a semi-annual inventory of all personal property of the department, said reports and inventory to be filed with the Superintendent who shall present same to the Commission at its next meeting. He shall be present at all meetings of the Commission, prepared to report on any matter within his jurisdiction. All orders and directions of said Commission shall be given to him through the Superintendent.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto. [illegible].

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

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MEETING

San Francisco, May 10, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
The Rev. Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Mourse
Absent: Mr. Chas. F. Traung (on leave)

MINUTES:

The minutes of the meetings of May 5, 1937, and May 10, 1937, were on motions regularly moved, and seconded, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

From Mrs. Duncan McDuffie, Chairman Educational Committee, San Francisco Museum of Art, informing the Commission that various exhibition material from the Museum of Art may be loaned for display purposes to the Junior Museum, 600 Ocean Avenue. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided to take advantage of their offer. The Secretary was instructed to notify the chairman accordingly.

From Mr. Robert McMahon, Deputy City Attorney, recommending that the claim of Walter Wranesgrill against this department for damage to his property which adjoins West Portal Playground be settled for $225.00. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved the compromise settlement of $225.00 as recommended by the City Attorney's Office. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Mourse. The Secretary was instructed to so notify the Deputy City Attorney.

From Mr. Dion R. Holm notifying this department that the Pacific Gas Electric Company is working on the plans for the removal of the power line across the Crocker-Amazon Playground.

From Mr. S. J. Hester, acting Director, Department of Public Works, stating Mr. John C. Little, Superintendent of Building Inspection, has been requested to inspect the Hayes Valley Recreation Center building, and render a report. The Secretary was asked to request that they hasten action in this matter.

From Mr. Paul Madon, requesting back salary for the period April 1, 1937, to May 2, 1937, inclusive. During which time he was not employed as a result of his suspension by the Superintendent. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously decided to defer this matter to the meeting of May 17th, at which time Mr. Madon will be present to state his case before consideration.

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In accordance with the Board of Supervisors' recommendation, ... matter of ... the Park Commission ... ance of Park units ... vision of the Parks ...

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Upon motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, it was decided to call a special meeting of the Commission, May 25, 1937, at 10:30 A. M. for the purpose of considering an award of contract for the above work; and it was further decided that the following fund transfers be specifically authorized for purposes of liquidating the contract for these improvements if and when approved.

No. 123 From Reserve in Permanent Salary Appropriation 613.101.00 . . . . . $4,000.00

No. 124 From Surplus in Wage Account Appropriation 613.103.00 . . . . . $8,000.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Monroe, Mr. McLaren.

The Secretary reported the Civil Service Commission has announced that promotive examinations for the positions of Supervisor of Athletics and Supervisor of Women's Activities are to be held on May 28, 1937.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the following financial transactions were approved:

Allotment Requests	
121 Corona Heights Land	$230.00
Transfer Requests	
118 Permanent Salaries to Temporary Salaries Temporary Gardeners	$405.00
119 Camp Equipment to Camp Wages	145.00
120 Camp Wood to Camp Materials	300.00
122 Materials to Rents, Annual Rental, Levi Strauss Playground	1.00
123 Permanent Salaries to Improvements	4,000.00
124 Wages to Improvements Potrero Hill Contract	8,000.00
Improvement Resolution No. 80 Swimming Pools	
Diving Board, Fulcrum, Mission Pool	$160.00
Fulcrum, North Beach Pool	100.00 $260.00
No. 81 Jackson Playground	
Furnish and install gymnasium lighting fixtures	33.67
No. 82 Administrative Office	
Intercommunicating Telephone and Speaker System	570.00
No. 83 Grattan Playground	
Incidental appraisals made for Director of Property in acquiring playground land on Alma St.	75.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Monroe, Mr. McLaren.

During Mr. Lewis's absence, Father Powleson was asked to act as Chairman of the Finance Committee, which appointment he accepted.

The Secretary presented the following financial reports:

1. On May 1, 1937, after taking into account all known receipts and expenditures up and down, the estimated surplus available amounted to $20,000.00. Against this surplus it is anticipated that the following expenditures will be made:

Balance all improvements	$10,000.00
Acme View Contract	3,000.00
St. Mary's Preliminary Expense	1,000.00
Incidental, Stationery and Engineering Expense	1,000.00
	$17,000.00

It is hoped a Special Appropriation of approximately $7,000.00 will be made available before the close of the fiscal year. This would still leave a balance of $3,000.00 which could be applied to other recreation facilities, if not required for improvements.

Certain contract matters are now pending before the Commission, which, if consummated in our optimistic report, go that the surplus should be increased by $3,000.00 prior to the beginning of the new fiscal year. Unfortunately, an increase in the scope of a number of projects, and the addition of new projects, such as tennis courts which

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2. The Controller's Office inquired for details concerning this department's request that a transfer of funds, No. 116, be made providing for a contract for plans and drawings of buildings and improvements, Ocean View Playground. A detailed explanation was submitted, and a reply is expected soon.

3. A letter from the Controller's Office dated April 28, 1937, informed the department it is necessary for this Commission to reimburse the City Treasury over a period of ten years with the sum of $20,710.75 in annex reserves. It was suggested that the Finance Committee meet with Mr. Lermark E. Leavy, Controller, regarding this amount.

Mr. Dempre Harman reported on the following matters:

Ingleside Sprinkler System Money

Mr. C. E. Healy is still holding with the W. P. A. Thats, the $2000.45 received from the Board of Education for this department for the sprinkler line equipment at the Ingleside Site. The Finance Committee was requested to see Mr. Leavy relative to this matter.

Ingleside Site

Mr. C. E. Healy is willing to demolish the former women's jail building, as a W. P. A. project, providing this department allows the use of salvage which consists principally of old brick. Mr. Monroe advised against the offer because it would be necessary for this department to supervise all jobs if we handled the assignment, and the work-time now be as satisfactorily performed by the men we have available.

The Commission, on motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Monroe, unanimously approved authorizing Mr. C. E. Healy to proceed with the work with the privilege of using the salvage material. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Monroe, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

St. Mary's Clinic

Mr. C. E. Healy is forwarding [illegible] on the [illegible] for the improvement by the Commission, i. e. that [illegible] compensation for [illegible] done to their property and be paid by [illegible] a portion of each [illegible] for that the recreation [illegible] fund should be reimbursed [illegible] funds for the [illegible] involved. [illegible] the Commission [illegible] the [illegible] Mr. [illegible] [illegible] to 4:30 P. M. re[illegible].

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] Healy [illegible] this department [illegible] Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Monroe, Mr. McLaren.

[illegible] Site

Mr. C. E. Healy [illegible] this department [illegible] Street.

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Father Powleson reported that the Civil Service Committee met with Mr. Wm. Henderson, Personnel Expert Civil Service Commission, relative to the hourly rate of pay for playground directors who will appear on the next Civil Service list of eligibles. They discussed two rates, 75¢ and $1.00. It was decided to postpone action until next meeting and in the meanwhile receive a report from Mr. Henderson regarding the legality of the $1.00 rate.

On motion of Mr. Mourse, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The resolution adopted by the Recreation Commission at their special meeting of May 10, 1937, covering the scope of duties and responsibilities for the position of R-185 Business Manager Recreation Department, was not acceptable to the Civil Service Commission: now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the following scope, covering the duties and responsibilities of the above named position, which is acceptable to the Civil Service Commission, is hereby officially approved by the Recreation Commission:

R-185 BUSINESS MANAGER OF RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Under the supervision of the Superintendent of the Department and subject to the approval of the Commission transmitted through the Superintendent, has charge of all clerical and accounting procedure of the Department, responsible for the maintenance and repair of all the physical properties which are under the jurisdiction of the Commission, supervises the budgetary and fiscal matters arising in the Department, and co-operates with the Controller to the end that all budgetary and fiscal regulations are complied with, certifies to the Superintendent as to the availability of funds to meet any liability to arise on contracts or purchase orders before said contract is entered into, or purchase order placed with the Purchaser, makes monthly reports on all contracts entered into by the Commission, supervises a semi-annual inventory of all personal property of the Department, attends all meetings of the Commission, makes reports to the Superintendent concerning the matters under his jurisdiction, written reports to be issued to the Superintendent periodically and at such other times as may be directed by the Superintendent or the Commission through the Superintendent, copies of which written reports shall be filed with the Recreation Commission.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. Nolaren.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 1:[illegible] P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. P. Canning

Secretary.

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SPECIAL MEETING

San Francisco, May 25, 1937.

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 10:30 A. M. for the purpose of considering an award of contract for the following work at Potrero Hill Playground: construction of a reinforced concrete convenience station, concrete gutters, completion of a sprinkler system, and the fine-grading of a playfield. Father Powleson presided at the meeting.

Present: The Rev. Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Mr. John Nolaren
Mr. Joseph P. Mourse

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave)
Miss Alicia Mosgrove (on leave)
Mr. Chas. P. Traung (on leave).

Mr. George Harman presented a written report recommending that the work be awarded to the lowest bidder, J. e. Deluca & Son, Inc.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Nolaren, the Commission unanimously approved Mr. George Harman's recommendation, and awarded the contract for the partial development of Potrero Hill Playground to the lowest bidder, J. e. Deluca & Son, Inc., in the sum of $11,664.75 and authorized the Business Manager to execute the contract and take whatever additional steps are necessary to secure the proper certification of the contract.

Ayes: Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Mourse, Mr. Nolaren.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:55 A. M.

Respectfully submitted.

Wm. P. Canning

Secretary.

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MEETING

San Francisco, June 9, 1937.

The regular meeting which was to have been held on June 2, was postponed to this date. The meeting was held at 2 P. M.,with Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto presiding.

Present: Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Mourse

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave)
Miss Alicia Mosgrove (on leave)
Mr. Chas. P. Traung (on leave)

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of May 19 and May 25 were on motions regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mrs. Maude Logsden, 737 Edinburgh St., Recording Secretary, Greater Excelsior Improvement Club, objecting to the height of the bleachers at Crocker-Amazon, and requesting additional supplies and equipment at Excelsior Playground.

The Superintendent reported four rows of bleachers were previously removed from the original twelve, and it is not advisable to remove any more. This department is planning to paint the bleachers green, in the near future. She explained that the department no longer gives out tennis racquets except for class purposes, and suggested that the requested sewing machine for Excelsior Playground might be obtained by the mothers' group, advertising for one in the newspaper. She also mentioned that a new type of baby swing is to be installed soon. The Secretary was asked to reply.

2. From Harold J. Regan, 414 Mason Street, Secretary, Native Sons of the Golden West, urging the installation of outdoor lighting equipment at Jackson and James Rolph Jr. Playgrounds. The Superintendent reported there is no money available in next year's budget for the requested equipment. She stated she will investigate the suggestion made by Mr. C. E. Healy that the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, in order to sell additional power and as an advertising medium, might be willing to install the necessary lighting equipment with meters attached, retaining the receipts until the investment pays, then the Recreation Commission would receive the future income. The Secretary was asked to reply.

3. From Mr. J. P. Holland, Contractor, 1834 McAinnon Avenue, inquiring if the Commission is interested in establishing an athletic field along Oakdale Avenue between Bay Shore Boulevard and Third Street, which location he is considering as a possible quarry site in order to furnish rock needed for the government's work at Mills Field. The Secretary was asked to reply that the Commission has recreation areas in that general location, is not in a position to buy land, and unless the property could be donated they would not be interested.

4. From Mr. T. H. Pitt, District Manager, Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company, 855 Bryant St., requesting a higher fence at Father Crowley Playground to protect his personnel and property from the danger of flying balls. The request was referred to the Superintendent for investigation and report.

5. From the Civil Service Commission, a copy of the resolution which was adopted by that Commission on May 19, 1937, covering the duties of the classification B-135 Business Manager, Recreation Department, which is identical to the resolution passed for this position by the Recreation Commission on the same day.

6. From Miss Ruth Millard, Secretary, Child Play Association, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York City, enclosing a Proclamation for Children's Day, Saturday, June 19, focusing attention on the necessity of providing equal play opportunity for every child in American communities.

7. From Mr. Verne S. Landreth, Executive Secretary, State of California, enclosing the Proclamation of Frank F. Merriam, Governor of California, for the first "Public Recreation Week" in California, June 21 to 27 inclusive, which urges all agencies to respond to the challenge of providing an adequate recreation program for all ages.

The Superintendent reported that this department is at present working on special recreation programs to be held from June 19 to 27 inclusive, and the Child Play Association and His Honor, the Governor, will be notified accordingly.

8. From Mr. S. J. Lester, Acting Director, Department of Public Works, enclosing a report from Mr. John Little, Superintendent of Building Inspection, stating the necessity of employing a certified architect to carry on the requested structural survey on the security of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center. The Superintendent was authorized to see Mr. Little regarding his report.

9. From Henry S. Curtis, Ph. D., 1511 Washtenaw Avenue, Ann Arbor, Michigan, expressing his great interest in the Recreation Department's various publications and material recently submitted.

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10. and 11. From Mr. Jordon Jeffery, Director Public Welfare, City of Toledo, and Mr. Ernest W. Johnson, Superintendent of Playgrounds, City of St. Paul, complimenting the department on its booklet, "The Director-at-Large in Recreation Work."

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Mr. C. E. Healy appeared before the Commission and reported on the status of W. P. A. funds, stating they are seriously depleted, and the Controller suggested he determine if this Commission could advance money from its surplus budget account for 1936-1937 in order to keep men gainfully employed during the month of June.

1. Crocker-Amazon Bleachers. No money is available for new purchase of green paint, as per specifications. Must defer until after July 1, 1937.

He was granted permission to transfer original paint supplied for this work to Glen Park Playground for application on floors.

2. Glen Park Playground.

$500.00 needed immediately for hardware in field house.

$90.00 needed for gas mains.

3. St. Mary's Playground.

$750.00 needed immediately for equipment, pipe and rock.

4. Corona Heights.

If money can be made available, a crew could be placed there immediately to survey the exact playground boundaries.

5. Additional Needs.

Carfare $125.00, Rental equipment $49.00.

6. Funston Bleachers.

To be erected soon.

On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission authorized the Superintendent to see the Controller and ascertain if the $2856.48 given to this department by the Board of Education is available for the following Recreation Department expenses. Should said sum not be available, the following expenses are to be met by transfer of funds from the $1500.00 set aside for the survey of St. Mary's Playground:

$750.00 St. Mary's Playground - pipe, rock, equipment
150.00 St. Mary's Playground - professional services, Hyde Forbes
500.00 Glen Park - hardware
90.00 Glen Park - gas mains

$1490.00 (In lieu of transfer request 130) *

Father Powleson and Mr. Raffetto stated their willingness to accompany the Superintendent when calling upon the Controller.

Ayes: Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission approved the following financial transactions:

Transactions approved since last meeting, May 12, 1937.

No. 125	Temporary Salaries (tree topper)	$170.00
No. 127	Appraisal - Grattan	75.00

Transfer Requests

No. 126	Materials to Equipment	$300.00
No. 128	Auto Hire to Equipment	100.00
No. 129	Materials to Equipment	150.00
(See 11) No. 130	Rates to Fees - Survey - St. Mary's	1510.00
No. 131	Permanent Salaries to Improvements-Potrero Hill	900.00

Improvement Resolution No. 84 Equipment Appropriation $13,400.00

1. John Deere Syracuse J 3 1495½ Steel Bottom - 3 bottom
No. 293 Orchard Gang Plow $140.00

Improvement Resolution No. 85 Potrero Hill Playground
Appropriation $13,600.00

Furnish and install complete booster pump unit in convenience station building, for completion of water and irrigation system $650.00

Improvement Resolution No. 86 Potrero Hill Playground

Construction of a reinforced concrete convenience station, concrete gutters and the completion of a sprinkler system, and the fine-grading of a play field. Contract 5/26/37 $11,864.76

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Improvement Resolution No. 87 Equipment

Purchase of 24 Zalmite Folding Steel Card Tables for Playgrounds $126.07

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The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

Mr. Gerald Linares has requested an indefinite leave of absence from his permanent position of Playground Director to accept a position with the Park Department of San Francisco to perform co-related work to his present position. She recommended that a leave be granted, in view of his excellent work. On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission approved a year's leave of absence for Mr. Gerald Linares, to commence July 1, 1937.

She recommended that Mr. Paul Madsen receive his salary for the period April 1, 1937, to May 2, 1937, inclusive, when he was not working as a result of his suspension by her, in view of the Civil Service Commission's decision stating he was not aware of having violated any rules when he held two positions last year. The Commission, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved the Superintendent's recommendation.

That the City Engineer and Mr. John Skeggs, District Engineer, State of California, is suggesting that the present roadway to the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove on Nineteenth Avenue be used for ingress, and that an arrangement be made to take care of the egress, elsewhere. Mr. Merchant has a plan to take care of this request. The Superintendent is to notify the City Engineer accordingly.

The Carnegie Corporation of New York City has granted $5000.00 for the second consecutive year, to carry on the work of the San Francisco Executive Co-ordinating Council for one year commencing May 1937.

Her recent trip to the National Recreation Conference and visits in New York City and Washington, including the Junior Museum in Brooklyn and the Cultural Olympics in Philadelphia proved beneficial to both Mr. Clifford Nelson and herself and served as a means of acquainting recreation executives with the program in San Francisco, especially the Visual Recreation Department and the work of the Directors-at-Large. Among the points covered at the conference were the following: (a) the importance of an all-inclusive leisure-time program for all ages embracing all types of activities; (b) a recreation department is as important a governmental function as school, police or fire departments. Its activities should go hand in hand with labor and industrial plans; (c) the advisability of establishing a Professional Association of Recreation Workers; (d) the future of W. P. A.; (e) paying for use of equipment.

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Mr. Raffetto recommended that this department retain the building at 626 Brunswick Street for recreation purposes, and, until such time as this department is ready to take over the future Longfellow Site, that the house be rented. The Commission approved the recommendation, and instructed the Secretary to so notify Mr. E. Riordan, Real Estate Department.

Father Powleson reported on the following matters:

He called on Mr. H. D. Ross, in Mr. Leavy's absence, and was informed our request that funds be transferred to take care of the Ocean View Playground contract for working drawings has not yet been approved. The Superintendent was authorized to see the Controller regarding this $3600.00 item.

Mr. Wm. Henderson advised him that the $1.00 rate of hourly pay for playground directors would be too high, and therefore illegal. On motion regularly moved and carried, the Commission rescinded their action of April 21, 1937, i. e. that new assignments to the positions of playground director be placed on an hourly basis of $1.00 per hour, with the establishment of the new Civil Service list of eligible playground directors, and that the hourly rate of 75¢ be established instead.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:10 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

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MEETING

San Francisco, June 16, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day between 2:00 P. M. and 3:45 P. M. with Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto presiding.

Present: Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave)
Miss Alicia Mosgrove (on leave)
Mr. Chas. F. Traung (on leave)

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of June 9, 1937, were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mr. Glen O. Grant, Western Representative, National Recreation Association, inquiring into the feasibility of holding a recreation training institute in the Bay Region under the auspices of the National Recreation Association, February 7 to March 4, 1938. The proposed institute would be in the fields of arts and crafts, music, and nature activities.

The Superintendent reported she met with Mr. Grant and the Oakland and Berkeley Superintendents relative to this. The cost of a four-weeks' institute of five days per week is approximately $3000.00. It is necessary for each city holding an institute to pledge $1500.00 to the association, the balance being borne by the national association. The pledge is principally raised by tuition fees. The fees are $15.00 for complete day course, and $8.00 for complete evening course. The Oakland and Berkeley Recreation Departments plan to jointly hold one of these institutes.

The Commission authorized the Superintendent to notify Mr. Grant that they are interested and endorse the proposition, but are not willing to subscribe to pay for the institute until they receive the assurance of 100 people, expressing in writing their willingness to take the course. The Superintendent was further instructed to write to all persons in San Francisco and San Mateo Counties engaged in recreation work who might be interested in the training course.

2. From Mr. J. P. Holland, Contractor, again urging the Commission to consider the establishment of an athletic field in the vicinity of Quesada Avenue, Bay View District, which request will require the assistance of the Chief Administrative Officer in securing the national government's co-operation, since it involves the removal of rock to Mills Field. The Superintendent was asked to see Mr. Cleary relative to Mr. Holland's suggestion.

3. From Mr. Paul Madsen, playground director, now residing at 412 Bridger Street, Las Vegas, Nevada, requesting an extension of his vacation period until July 12, 1937. The Superintendent reported he is endeavoring to secure a permanent position, and recommends granting the request. On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission decided to grant the extension.

The Superintendent also reported that she is informed the Recreation Commission are not obliged to pay Mr. Madsen's back salary for his suspension period unless they wish. The Civil Service Commission did not exonerate him for holding two positions, neither did they believe his action warrantes dismissal from the department. The Commission decided to let their previous action stand, i. e. granting Mr. Madsen's back salary.

4. From Mr. W. P. Humphreys, 634 Market Street, suggesting improvements at Camp Mather. The letter was referred to the Camp Committee for consideration.

The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

1. Leave of Absence, Gerald Kearns. She was notified by Mr. James Maher that Mr. Gerald Kearns' leave cannot be for a period of one year, but should be for the duration of his employment with the Recreation Department. On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission reaffirmed their action of June 9, 1937, i. e. that Mr. Kearns' leave be not the period of one year, and approved granting the leave of absence subject to the provisions of the City Charter.

2. On Thursday, June 10, in accordance with [illegible], she met Mr. Leonard Leavy, Controller. Mr. Leavy had already approved [illegible] the Controller approved the working [illegible] Department [illegible] $2856.48 given to this department by the WPA [illegible] to her, and must be spent on the [illegible] unless that project is permanently discontinued, in which event the money [illegible] other W. P. A. project. The Controller will [illegible] (c) The Controller approved the transfer of [illegible] work enumerated in the minutes of June 9, 1937.

3. She suggested sending a recommendation to [illegible] a proclamation on California's [illegible] Governor Merriam. The Commission approved of a recommendation.

4. The vacant house at 800 Funston Avenue [illegible] decided to eventually use as a recreation [illegible] Mr. Riordan advises keeping it up until the Commission [illegible]

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stead of repairing the damage which would be costly, and then endeavoring to rent it. The Commission approved his recommendation.

5. The W. P. A. force is being cut 50% within the next several days.

6. The Civil Service Commission have requested the Superintendent to meet with them today regarding her recommendation for having the examination for the position of Business Manager a promotional one instead of making it possible for others in the city government to take it. The Commission approved her written recommendation that the examination be open to the persons filling the following positions in the Recreation Department: B-351 Supervisor of Recreation Supplies and Equipment, R-102 Camp Manager, R-4 Bookkeeper, B-222 General Clerk.

The Secretary reported that Mrs. Orenia Menzel, Playground Director, recently sustained a serious injury to her ankle while attending a marionette class at the Drama Studio.

Although the accident occurred while she was not on duty, the case had originally been handled as an Industrial Accident injury. Hospitalization and other bills have been incurred, and must be met. The Superintendent, after examining the facts, recommended that the Commission request that it be considered in the light of an industrial case, if it is legally possible. The Commission therefore authorized sending a letter to Mr. Ralph Nelson, Secretary-Actuary Retirement System, asking him to look with favor upon the handling of Mrs. Menzel's case as an Industrial Accident Injury if it is legally possible.

On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Recreation Commission unanimously approved the following financial transactions:

Financial Transactions Approved by the Superintendent since last Commission Meeting:

Transfer Requests		
No. 132	Camp Food to Camp Operating Accounts	$768.00
No. 133	Materials to Purchases (Gas and Oil)	100.00
No. 134	Wages to W. P. A. - Glen Park and St.Mary's	1340.00
No. 135	Wages to Fees - Geologist, St. Mary's	150.00

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 88 CRATTAN SCHOOL PLAYGROUND
Appropriation 613.600.11
Purchase of Lot 21, Assessor's Block 1283, from Arthur P. Nicoll et ux.

Lot	$4700.00	
Title Fee . .	40.00	$4740.00

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 89 RECREATION DEPARTMENT OFFICE
Appropriation 613.400.00
Purchase one only desk model, motor-driven Monroe Canculator $325.00

Ayes: Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

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Mr. Merchant reported on the following matters:

Corona Heights.	He presented several large photographs of this area.
Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove.	Plans presented showing entrance and exit, and suggested rustic, split-rail fence.
Potrero Hill.	Work on the partial development of this area started Monday.
Glen Park.	A list of hardware needed to finish the building is being compiled.
Ocean View.	Work progressing.
Crocker-Amazon	Courts being surfaced, and convenience station being built.
Exposition.	A large model is being erected in Union Square, which will include the recreation set-up.
Down Town Association's Study.	This predetermined plan for future development of San Francisco encourages the co-ordination of all city departments' plans, working with the City Planning Commission, and will therefore avoid mistakes in city planning.

RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE RECREATION COMMISSION IN MEMORY OF L. S. LEAVY.

In recognition of the wise counsel and untiring service of Leonard S. Leavy, former Controller of the City and County of San Francisco, the Recreation Commission wishes to express its sense of personal loss in the passing away untimely death of Mr. Leavy on Friday, June 11, 1937, and its appreciation of his services as a valued public official.

His thirty-eight years of distinguished work with the municipal government of San Francisco, first as bookkeeper, then as Superintendent of Accounts, Secretary Public Works, later as Purchaser of Supplies, and finally, because of his ripe judgment, fixed determination, broad vision, and thorough knowledge of his work, as Controller under the Freeholders' Charter since 1931, have brought him national recognition as an outstanding figure in municipal financial affairs.

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He commanded the greatest respect from everyone at all times, and the memory of his innumerable deeds and acts will ever live on as a choice possession of the multitude of friends who knew him and loved him.

Be it therefore resolved that this expression of appreciation be spread on the minutes of this meeting, and the Recreation Commission adjourn this day out of respect to the memory of Leonard S. Leavy.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

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San Francisco, July 7, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto presiding.

Present: Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On leave)
Miss Alicia Mosgrove(On leave)
Mr. Chas. P. Traung (On leave)

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of June 16, 1937 were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mr. Robert McMahon, Deputy City Attorney, informing the Commission a claim has been filed by the Morton family for $3500.00 for damage to their property due to slides from St. Mary's Playground. He requested an investigation and report. This was referred to the Superintendent for investigation.

2. From Mr. J. A. Tissier, Manager San Francisco Food Show, urging the Commission to exhibit in this year's Food Show. The Superintendent recommended participation because it has been an asset to the department. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission unanimously approved exhibiting in the Twelfth Annual Food Show, October 9 to 16, 1937. Ayes: Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse. The Secretary was asked to reply.

3. From Mr. J.J. Phillips recommending that the Commission request the Board of Supervisors to pass the following resolution providing for additional acquisition of land in the Angelo J. Rossi Playground. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission went on record requesting the Board of Supervisors to approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the City and County of San Francisco accept that certain deed dated January 21, 1936 from AMERICAN [illegible] to a portion of Lot 2, Assessor's Block 1140A, San Francisco, required for Anza Street.

Mr. Phillips further requested that Parcels 1 and 2 of the Angelo J. Rossi Playground be transferred to the Board of Public Works. The Superintendent recommended that this action be taken. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission unanimously approved the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the Recreation Commission hereby consents to transfer land known as Parcels 1 and 2 in the Angelo J. Rossi Playground, to the Department of Public Works, for street purposes, as indicated on blue-print map dated March 22, 1937, and which map is designated as "Property Exchange with Recreation Commission."

Ayes: Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

The Secretary was asked to send the resolution.

4. From Mrs. L. [illegible] Perley of [illegible] 1st Avenue, [illegible], enclosing resolution requesting that Vicente Lopez be [illegible] Playground. The Superintendent reported this matter [illegible] Commission. The Secretary was asked to reply.

5. From Mr. [illegible] enclosing [illegible] the saving of [illegible] Superintendent reported [illegible] and until we have [illegible]

6. From [illegible] athletic field [illegible] Mr. Alfred Cleary, Chief Administrative Officer, information on this matter. The Superintendent until the information was received.

7. From [illegible] for W. C. A. [illegible] Superintendent [illegible]

[illegible] mission unanimously [illegible] appropriated to [illegible] department purposes, [illegible] projects. Ayes: [illegible]

[illegible] ing that the Wire [illegible] property on [illegible] Avenue [illegible] as a temporary [illegible] the area where [illegible] cribed to look into [illegible] ed installation.

[illegible] suggestion that the [illegible]

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schedule approved by the Civil Service Commissioners, i.e. $4.75 per day. The Superintendent approve the increase. On motion of Mr. McLaren, Commission unanimously approved meeting the new Civil Service Commission and the Board of $4.75 per day. Ayes: Mr. Raffetto, Father Secretary was asked to reply.

, President Russian Music Society, requesting that they be allowed to establish the celebration in the Sigmund Stern Grove. The that they were given special permission because of the arrangements made through the Committee, and that it was definitely understood possible in the future to grant similar er-

, Secretary Sharon Women's Club, re- removal of benches from Jackson Play- necessary to remove the benches celebration, and that they did not

, Assistant Janitor, informing the Com- for a permanent janitor's position agency position except by calling a list for a permanent janitor.

, expressing appreciation for the

, stating that Department's request

, inclosing Supervisor's re- , requested information as to the , if possible. On motion of Mr. McLaren, unanimously moved to table

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THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Miss Randall's stop-overs in New York City and Washington, D. C., and Mr. Nelson's stop-overs in Chicago, Rochester, and New York City, be hereby officially approved by the Recreation Commission in session this day.

Ayes: Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

2. She was requested by W. P. A. officials, and the Junior Chamber of Commerce to consider the establishment of a summer camp at Watsonville, primarily for underprivileged children. Mr. J. J. O'Toole rendered an opinion which did not encourage participation. Mr. A. B. Crowley of the Department of Public Health, mentioned two objections: inaccessibility, and that the swimming pool is four miles from camp. Mr. W. F. Hanson, Assistant Director of State Recreation, 49-Fourth Street, appeared before the Commission in the interest of establishing the proposed camp.

On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously decided that in their opinion it is inadvisable to approve this request. The Secretary was asked to notify Mr. Hanson accordingly.

3. She recommends that Mr. Clifford Nelson be sent to Camp Mather to take motion pictures of the activities for this department's records. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission unanimously authorized Mr. Clifford Nelson's visit to Camp Mather for one week for the purpose of taking a movie reel of camp activities, and all necessary expenses are to be paid by the Recreation Department. Ayes: Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

4. Mr. W. G. Merchant inquired if the Recreation Commission wishes to be the sponsor of the model of down town San Francisco paid for by the Down Town Association and the Federal Government. The model is for the study of various elements composing San Francisco, such as recreation, parks, schools, traffic. There is no expense involved, merely City sponsorship is required. The completed model is in the Down Town Association's offices, and available for recreation study when, and if desirable. The Commission unanimously decided to sponsor the model.

5. She recommends, if any money is available in the Commission's appropriation for the fiscal year 1936-1937, that they go on record requesting the Controller to transfer this amount to help meet W. P. A. project expenses. On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission approved the Superintendent's recommendation, and authorized her to take such action as may be necessary. Ayes: Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

6. She requested permission to go to Sacramento on Tuesday, July 13, 1937, for the purpose of seeing the State Superintendent of Schools, the Director of Natural Resources, and the Governor's Secretary, on official department business. On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved the request.

7. The Civil Service Commission has not as yet released Mr. Paul Hansen's check because they believe he should not be paid for the period he was on suspension.

8. The Civil Service Examinations for Supervisor of Athletics, Supervisor of Women's Activities, have been held, and the list will be released this evening.

9. The position of business manager and [illegible] July 1, 1937, on a temporary [illegible] 1937, is open and [illegible] he cannot be retained.

10. [illegible] in the Sigmund Stern [illegible] purchased for [illegible] Superintendent [illegible] will defer action until [illegible]

11. She [illegible] and her recommendations [illegible] what recommendations [illegible] against fire hazard.

12. [illegible] and will visit [illegible]

13. [illegible] Mateo and Marin [illegible] the War [illegible]

14. [illegible] the Recreation [illegible] by their original [illegible] amount [illegible] Berkeley, [illegible]

15. [illegible] reduction [illegible] workers [illegible] tors, and also [illegible]

16. [illegible] assistants, i.e. [illegible] wanted that [illegible] summer to avoid [illegible] interviews are [illegible]

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On motion of Father Fowleson, seconded by Mr. Mourse, the Commission approved the following financial transactions:

Partial Payment, DE LUCA AND SON, INC. for improvements constructed on POTRERO HILL PLAYGROUND.....$1092.00

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS APPROVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT SINCE LAST COMMISSION MEETING

1936-1937
Allotment Requests
138 Gratian Land $4740.00

Transfer Requests
136 Materials to Equipment - Benches and Calculator 4[illegible]
137 Wages to Compensation-Johnson Settlement 1500.00
139 Pay Roll to Contractual- Corona Survey 1200.00
140 Materials to Wages - Subs - June 17[illegible]

1937-1938
Allotment Requests
3 Camp Operating Accounts - Season 1937 $28494.00
4 Pay Roll - Pools to Nov. 1st 2850.00
5 Pianist Fees -First Quarter 300.00
6 Equipment " " 300.00

Transfer Requests
1 Permanent to Temporary - Miss Tripp,Steno. $25.00
2 Permanent to Temporary - Mrs. Bunker,P.S. Dir.)
Mr. Lowry, Clerk (1210.00
7 Materials to Purchaser - Oil and Gas Fiscal Year 1300.00

IMPROVEMENT ALLOCATION NO. 20 1936-1937
W.P.A. Projects - Hardware. Glen Park $500.00
Gas Mains " " 90.00
Geological Survey
St.Mary's 780.00
Preliminary Survey, Lyle Forbes, St.Mary's 130.00 1400.00

No. 21 1936-1937
Survey and Plan, Corona Heights 12[illegible].00

No. 22 1936-1937
Gratian School Playground
Purchase Lot 1, Assessor's Block 1203, Pearl Meade $3400.00
Title Fee.. 32.50
" " 22, " " "Mary Kilkenny. [illegible]
Title Fee.. 37.50
[illegible]

No. 23 1937-1938
Metal Filing Equipment for General Office..... 4[illegible].12

No. 24 1936-1937
Presidio School Playground
Expenditure for Relief Home for Director of Property, Acquisition of Lot 1241 Chandler Street..... [illegible].

No. 25 1937-1938
[illegible] Office - Standard Typewriter.... 1[illegible].

No. 26 1937-1938
Sigmund Stern -Felta Scroll Saw and Drill Press..... 17[illegible].00

No. 27 1936-1938
Sharpsteen Playground -Playground Apparatus ..... [illegible].

No. 28 1937-1938
Sharpsteen Playground - Lumber..... [illegible].

No. 29 1937-1938
Recreation Director's Office -Office Furniture -Desk,Chairs.. 1[illegible].

Present: Commissioners Fowleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. Conrad.

The following matter appearing on the clearing roster, Item 1[illegible]-1[illegible] was taken up for consideration. Upon motion of Mr. Fowleson, seconded by Mr. Conrad, and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted and ordered entered in the minutes (Secretary's Note: Item 1[illegible]-1[illegible] was unanimously approved by the Commission on the previous meeting and the minutes [illegible]

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REVISED BUDGET - JULY 7, 1937 (Fiscal Year 1937-1938)

	Appropriated	Reserved	Net Available
PAY ROLL			
Permanent Salaries	$329,729.00		$329,729.00
Temporary Salaries	3,570.00		3,570.00
Wages - Per Diem	10,[illegible]08.00		1[illegible],008.00
Wages - P/G Directors	18,452.00		18,452.00
Fees	3,[illegible]0.00		3,[illegible].00
Contractual Services	42,135.00	242.70	41,892.70
Auto Hire	5,324.00	106.48	5,217.52
Materials and Supplies	34,[illegible]0.00	602.00	33,908.00
Equipment	11,945.00	232.90	11,7[illegible].10
IMPROVEMENTS			
Chinese Lighting	3,250.00	60.00	3,1[illegible].00
Apparatus Cabrillo	750.00	15.00	735.00
Studio Repairs	2,000.00	40.00	1,960.00
Mission Wall, etc.	10,[illegible]00.00	200.00	[illegible],[illegible]00.00
Mission Pool	3,000.00	40.00	1,960.00
North Beach Pool	6,000.00	100.00	5,[illegible]00.00
North Beach Wall	354.00	7.00	347.00
Richmond Fence	[illegible]40.00	13.00	[illegible]33.00
REAL ESTATE			
Bay View	15,000.00	300.00	14,700.00
Upper Noe	15,[illegible].00	3[illegible].00	14,7[illegible].00
Eureka Valley	20,[illegible].00	400.00	19,[illegible].00
*Grattan	5,500.00	110.00	5,390.00
*Sunset			
*($3,000.00 to be transferred from Grattan to Sunset)			
Accident Compensation	3,[illegible]0.00	70.00	3,[illegible].00
Rents	3,540.00		3,5[illegible].[illegible]
Insurance	[illegible]00.00	17.32	[illegible].[illegible]
CAMP MATHER			
Permanent Salaries	[illegible],307.00		7,307.00
Temporary Salaries	7,314.00		7,[illegible].00
Wages	1,[illegible]0.00		1,[illegible]. 0
Contractual	3,755.00	78.10	[illegible],[illegible].
Materials & Supplies	[illegible],[illegible].00	.44	[illegible],[illegible].
Foodstuffs	12,[illegible]0.00	[illegible].40	12,[illegible].60
Equipment	[illegible]0.00	[illegible].00	[illegible].00
TOTALS	$[illegible],[illegible].00	$[illegible],[illegible].[illegible]	$[illegible],[illegible].[illegible]

-[illegible]-

SUMMARY

Total Appropriated by Board of Supervisors	$[illegible],[illegible].00
Tax Delinquency Reserve	[illegible].00
Transfers:	
To Purchaser-Solvency Service	[illegible].00
To Utilities - [illegible]	[illegible].00
To Retirement Dept.	[illegible].00
	$[illegible],[illegible].[illegible] $[illegible],[illegible].[illegible] $[illegible],[illegible].[illegible]

Ayes: Mr. Garrotto, Father Fowleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. Conrad.

There being no further business the meeting is declared adjourned at [illegible].

[illegible]
Secretary

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MEETING

San Francisco. July 21, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P. M. with Mr. Chas. F. Traung presiding.

Present: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave)
Miss Alicia Mosgrove (on leave)

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of July 7, 1937, were, on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

UNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mrs. M. L. Christiansen of 990 Guerrero Street, requesting that Mission Playground be improved. The Superintendent was asked to reply, informing her provision has been made in this year's budget for needed improvements on this playground.

2. From Mrs. R. Schafft, 1326 Eighteenth Avenue, complaining about the unsanitary condition of the pool, showers and tubs at Camp Mather. The letter was referred to the Camp Committee, and the Secretary instructed to reply.

3. From Mrs. F. M. Chisholm, 147 Laidley Street, Secretary 29th and Castro District Improvement Club, requesting supervision of Kate Kennedy School Yard during vacation, and inquiring about the purchase of playground property at Thirtieth and Day Streets. The Secretary was asked to reply that this is one of the forty-four school yards, which was opened on July 20, 1937.

4. From Mr. Maurice J. Sweeney thanking the Commission for having received an increase in salary.

5. From Dr. G. B. Harper, Secretary Southern Civic Clubs, 29 San Juan Avenue, requesting the erection of a clubhouse in the outer Mission District. The Superintendent was asked to reply.

6. and 7. From Adjutant E. C. Osterhout, Bernal Heights Post, American Legion, and from Mr. Hugh M. Ball, Secretary Twenty-first District Property Owners' League stating, in answer to our letter, Saturday evening would be unsatisfactory for their meetings in the Bernal Center, and requesting the use of the play room on certain evenings after 8:30 P. M. The Superintendent reported every room in the building is in use by organized playground groups on Monday through Friday evenings, and therefore no room is available. She was requested to notify them accordingly.

PRESENTATIVE

Mr. John DeLuca, Secretary DeLuca & Son, Inc., contractors, 1745 Filbert Street, appeared before the Commission regarding his letter relative to the partial development of Potrero Hill. He claims the electrical specifications do not call for a power line, for the pump, to be included in the contract, and if this service is desired the cost will be $204.00.

The Commission's Plans specifically mention the power line installation as being a part of the contract, and the General Conditions which are a part of the Specifications are clear on the point that plans and specifications are instruments of the work and therefore go together. It was assumed that the power line work would automatically be included in the requested lump sum bid for electrical work.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission decided, since the specifications for the partial development of Potrero Hill Playground were not entirely clear, that the Superintendent be authorized to make a compromise, with DeLuca & Son, Inc., on the cost of installing a power line in connection with the electrical lighting system, not to exceed 50% of their cost which will be $204.00. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the following financial transactions approved by the Superintendent since last Commission meeting were passed:

1936-1937 Allotment Requests

142	Grattan Land	$7,995.00
143	Camp Retirement	65.00
144	Equipment Benches	54.00

1937-1938 Allotment Requests

		$1,275.00
9	Equipment	750.00
10	Apparatus - Cabrillo	125.00
11	Furniture - Cabrillo	

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Transfer Requests

6	Gratian to Sunset Land	$3,000.00
36	Materials to Wages (School Yards)	6,000.00

Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

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On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the following Improvement Resolutions were approved:

Improvement Resolution 100 Visual Recreation Department

1 only Zeiss Superikomat F Camera with Case $125.00

101 Potrero Hill Playground

Purchase 14 standard Sunkmer Sprinklers with couplings $150.00

102 Sunset Playground

Purchase from Georges LeRoy et al. that certain lot situated on the west side of Twenty-eighth Avenue, 200 feet south of Lawton Street, San Francisco, 200 feet frontage by 120 feet in depth.

Cost	$8,000.00
Interest 5% approx.	180.00
Title Fee	55.00
Services, Real Estate Department	50.00
	$8,285.00

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Purchase from Model B Tractor and Dump Body	$1,020.00
Three Mower Units	375.00
Lifting Device	75.00
	$1,470.00

Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

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The Business Manager reported that in 1934-1935 certain expenditures from Improvement Department revolving funds, amounting in total to approximately $500.00, were not reimbursed by the Controller owing to lack of funds in that year, so that our revolving funds indicate a deficit in that amount.

To clear the record it was suggested that the second section of Ordinance No. 2791 of 1935-1936 creating the revolving funds be amended to reduce said funds by $500.00 and that amount reappropriated to liquidate the outstanding fund obligations of 1934-1935.

In the preparation of next year's budget an item of $500.00 will be included to restore the revolving funds to their original amounts.

Proposed ordinances to effect these changes were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, were unanimously approved, and the Business Manager was instructed to pass them to the Board of Supervisors for formal adoption. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

1. Following a conference with the Controller relative to funds, forty-four school yard playgrounds were opened on July 19 and 20, under the supervision of the Department directors, for the balance of the school vacation.

On motion of Mr. McLaren, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission approved request for Departmental Intra-Fund Transfer No. 12 for $6,000.00 from the 1937-1938 Materials and Supplies appropriation to Temporary Salaries, all the understanding, as explained in our letter of July 20, 1937, to Mr. H. E. Dubb, Controller, that during the year when balances from the 1936-1937 budget are available, there will be transferred to our current appropriation for [illegible] a portion of the amounts held in tax delinquent [illegible], they will be transferred to our current appropriation for [illegible] and supplies thereby offsetting this temporary expedient. Ayes: Father Powleson, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

[illegible] was not considered among the forty-four school [illegible] the only available school building located on the property is [illegible] Playground Department and is only a half-block from [illegible].

[illegible] W. P. A. men would be available to do weeding of our [illegible], including car fare and carry insurance on them. [illegible] The cost for carfare would be [illegible]. The Superintendent was requested to follow up this [illegible] with Mr. P. J. O'Toole, and if [illegible] materially reduce the number of workers.

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3. If this department uses the two tree toppers offered by the Park Commission, it will cost us $1,260.00 for a ninety-day period. She has requested that professional firms submit estimates before making her decision.

4. Funds for purchase of real estate and equipment will not be available until the tax rate is fixed which will be some time after September 15, 1937.

5. In the budget the salary for Supervisor of Athletics and Supervisor of Women's Activities was listed at $225.00. The Commission unanimously requested the Civil Service Commission to change the salary range for these two positions from $175 to $225 to $225 to $300, per month.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission decided, in view of the vacation period, to postpone their next meeting until August 18, 1937.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vita Traung

Secretary.

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SPECIAL MEETING

San Francisco. August 5, 1937.

A special meeting of this Commission was held on Thursday, August 5, at 4:00 P. M., in Room 370 City Hall.

Present: Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. John McLaren
Major Joseph P. Nourse.

This being a minority meeting, all action taken is subject to ratification at the next meeting of the Commission at which a quorum shall be present.

MINUTES

Miss Randall explained to the Commission a proposal to acquire some additional land adjacent to the department's property at Sigmund Stern Grove, at Nineteenth Avenue and Wawona Street, involving an estimated expenditure of $15,000.00. At the present time the property is being filled in by a public dump which will eventually encroach upon the department's property unless a retaining wall is built. A fire recently started in this rubbish heap on the dump causing some damage to trees in the vicinity and creating a fire hazard to buildings on the Grove itself. The matter was discussed at some length and while it was agreed the present situation is not a desirable one, Mr. Traung expressed the opinion that the Commission could not well afford to contemplate at this time the purchase of any additional real estate, and felt that steps could be taken to adequately protect our Grove property and plans made for landscaping in such a way that appearance of the Grove property would not be seriously affected. In connection with the dump, the Secretary was instructed to take the matter up with both the Police and Health Departments looking to an abatement of this nuisance, which will be done.

The Commission has heretofore approved the expenditure of $1,250.00 to cover the cost of a survey and map of the Corona Heights property by the City Department of Public Works. Engineer Mr. Harman reported that for an additional sum of $350.00 this survey and map could be entirely completed. Since this work would be a necessary preliminary to any further development of this unit in any event, it was felt desirable that it be completed at this time. The Business Manager reported that funds would be available for this purpose, and it was ordered by the Commissioners present that the Superintendent be authorized to proceed with this work.

Miss Randall recommended that the County Welfare Board, which has under its jurisdiction allocation of W. P. A. Project funds for improvement work, be asked to give consideration to setting up of work projects for the improvements at Mission Playground, and for the installation of flood-light equipment at Chinese, both of which items are included in this department's budget, with the understanding that necessary materials would be supplied by this department. The thought in this connection was that by undertaking these jobs as W. P. A. projects a sufficient fund might be saved to enable the completion of some improvements which was eliminated from our budget when approved. One fixed by the Supervisors. The consensus of opinion was that this would be a desirable plan and the Superintendent will proceed along those lines.

Miss Randall directed attention to the fact that there exists in the W. P. A. project for Aquatic improvements, funds of this department in the total amount of $2,256.00, and recommended that work on this project be undertaken without further delay. She recommended that available funds be utilized for installation of sprinkler lines and irrigation system in the Sunset Playground which has been graded under the W. P. A. project. The Commission agreed that this was a desirable thing to do, and the work will be proceeded on that basis.

[illegible] Engineer, in connection with the plans of James D. Phelan under [illegible] improvement [illegible] of $200. [illegible] included in [illegible] that the [illegible] for the [illegible] or electric [illegible] Superintendent [illegible] ent.

W. C. Harman

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MEETING

San Francisco, August 18, 1937.

Notices were sent out for a regular Commission meeting to be held this day, but since only two Recreation Commissioners were in San Francisco, it was decided to postpone the meeting.

Secretary.

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Recreation Commission MEETING

San Francisco. September 1, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mr. Chas. F. Treung presiding.

Present: Mr. Chas. F. Treung
Mr. Wm. J. Baffetto
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On leave)
Miss Alicia Mosgrove (On leave)
Father Leo W. Powleson

MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of July 21, 1937, and August 5, 1937, were on motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Mr. Baffetto, unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Dr. J. C. Geiger, requesting the Commission to consider the establishment of a supervised playground in the yard of the San Francisco Hospital during the hours children are there while their parents are visiting in the building, that is, from 2 to 3 P.M., and 7 to 8 P.M.

The Superintendent mentioned that another request was received, from the Head Nurse of the Hospital asking for a recreation leader for the children's tubercular ward.

The Commissioners were of the opinion that these activities are definite responsibilities of the Health Department. Therefore on motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Mr. Baffetto, the Superintendent was authorized to take up these requests at a conference with the [illegible] Health representatives, and inform them of the Recreation Commission's opinion.

2. From Mr. J. J. Phillips informing the Recreation Commission that construction work in connection with widening 19th Avenue will start soon, and this may necessitate removing trees standing on land to be affected by the slopes of fills and cuts. The Superintendent reported Mr. Arrowsmith has prepared a plan providing an entrance on 19th Avenue, and an exit on Sloat Boulevard for the Sigmund Stern Grove, and this Department is requesting that this plan be incorporated in the State Highway Commission's plan for the widening of 19th Avenue.

Mr. Phillips appeared before the Commission regarding this matter, and was requested to report to, if any, State Highway Commission, in consideration of the Recreation Commission retaining the trees standing on their present and egress to the Grove, and [illegible] the cost to this department. Mr. Phillips stated he would [illegible] at this request.

3. From Mr. Julius De Lancy, Director Junction Playground, inquiring if the Recreation Commission [illegible] the operation of a baseball team which involves [illegible] during [illegible] ing about [illegible] a bad precedent, and also [illegible] the team, and [illegible] or obtain some [illegible] forced to [illegible].

Mr. Phillips [illegible] location [illegible] nues, [illegible] the City [illegible] courts. The [illegible] fore [illegible] recommending [illegible] Recreation [illegible] proper [illegible] this [illegible] to [illegible].

The following [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] property at the [illegible]
Curtis at Sloat Boulevard, [illegible]
comm[illegible]ntt at Dan[illegible]
Mr. H. M. Bowlby,
[illegible]

[illegible]
vices in the amount [illegible]

Ayes: Mr. Treung, [illegible]

[illegible]

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Allotment Requests	
13 Sunset Land	$8315.00
14 Equipment - Mower, sprinklers, Camera	1705.00
16 Tree Topping	1260.00
IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 104 -Visual Recreation Department Filmosound Equipment.....	$ 570.40
IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 105 -Corona Heights Playground Purchase Land, Lot 28, Assessor's Block 2621, Josephine and Ellie Maude Cockrill, including title fee.....	225.50
IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 106 -Office Equipment 1 Royal, 1 Remington Noiseless Typewriter.....	135.10
IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 107 -Completion of Survey and Map, Corona Heights Playground.....	350.00
IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 108 -Topping and Trimming dangerous trees.....	1260.00
IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 109 -Upper Noe Valley Playground Appraisal of property 314-314A 30th Street	25.00
IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 110 - Purchase Dodge Coupe for Business Manager.....	572.00
IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 111 - Corona Heights Playground Purchase land, lots 35, 36 Assessor's Block 2621, from A. H. Witte, including title fee.....	340.00

Ayes: Mr. Braun, Mr. Peffetto, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

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On motion of Mr. Peffetto, seconded by Mr. Mourse, the Commission unanimously approved the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Recreation Commission has found it necessary to have dangerous trees at Sigmund Stern Grove, Glen Park and Funston Playgrounds topped and trimmed, and

WHEREAS after making a thorough investigation of available sources for this type of work, has determined that the services of two Park Commission employees would best suit their demands,

RESOLVED, That it be resolved that a Work Order be issued covering the requested work estimated as follows:

1 Tree Topper, 30 Days at $ 6.00
1 Helper 30 Days at 4.20 Total $1260.00

It is hereby understood that the Recreation Department is to furnish all necessary equipment and assume all compensation liability. Normal contributions to the Retirement System are not to be assumed by this Department.

Ayes: Mr. Braun, Mr. Peffetto, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

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The renewal of Mr. H. C. Arrighetti's contract for architectural services with the Recreation Commission for the period of September 1, 1937 through August 31, 1938, for the sum of $600.00, payable in twelve equal monthly installments, the first installment to be payable on October 1, 1937, was presented and there appeared unanimously with for the approval of this contract on the basis of the same, subject to ratification by the Board of Supervisors.

Ayes: Mr. Braun, Mr. Griffith, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Mourse.

The superintendent reported on the following matters:

1. The advisability of requesting the use of the Marina Junior High School Auditorium for dance activities at the times vacated by other groups now operating and supervised by this department. The business men in the district within the area within the next two months will be able to assume the expense of the director's salary. The superintendent was instructed to write a letter to the Board of Education.

2. Recently upon the complaint from various officials to limit the use of the Polo Field to polo, it was furthermore felt by state officials of Governor Merriam, Mr. A. P. Giannini, that we have a municipal golf course in Lincoln Park. The municipal golf course must submit in writing its willingness to assume all responsibility for the supervision, direction and control of the types of activities of said centers. The City Attorney interpreted this to mean the Recreation Commission, in order to assume control, would have to have the players pay for the fees they are now receiving.

After a lengthy discussion, all of the A. P. Giannini Project except the Potrero Playground be abandoned. This action necessitated the activities of the Coffman Recreation Center being greatly curtailed. Mr. G. C. Brown, from the Union Recreation Center, and Mr. S. King, representing the District Council, [illegible] appeared before the Commission in the interest of securing [illegible] to this department. [illegible] at the time [illegible] in order [illegible], [illegible] conferring by the [illegible], [illegible] operation in the [illegible] Police [illegible], [illegible].

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The Commissioners explained they have no money for additional supervision. They assured the representatives of their desire to help, and told Mr. Brown if he could work out the problem of eliminating the responsibility for the Recreation Commission, they might then be able to co-sponsor the project.

3. She recommends holding a department hobby show in the near future. The Commission unanimously approved the recommendation.

4. De Luca and Son, Inc. has consented to complete all the electrical work at Potrero Hill Playground, in accordance with the intent and purpose of this department's plans and specifications for the sum of $570.00 which amount is set forth in the contract.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida V. Conning
Secretary

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MEETING

San Francisco, September 15, 1947.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 8 P.M. with Pr. Chas. F. Young presiding.

Present: Mr. Chas. F. Young
Mr. Wm. J. Mullgardo
Father Leo W. Pavlosca
Mr. Joseph P. Lacoste

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern (on leave)
Miss Alice Shorpvelin (excused)
Mr. John Nelson

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 1, 1947 were on motion of Mr. Monroe, seconded by Father Pavlosca, unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were read and ordered filed:

1. From Dr. J. C. Geiger, director of the department of the Combination of a Volunteer Blood Donors Society for the Purpose of Blood Transfusions in treating Injuries and Diseases, and requesting that the services of the Recreation Department be used to help the society.

The Commission ordered the request to be filed, with power to act.

2. From Mr. Stanislaus A. Tiby, commissioner for Chevalier [illegible] personnel for operation of open theater, and asking cooperation for the [illegible] ment.

The Superintendent was ordered to send a letter of thanks, and to report her recommendations regarding [illegible] in the competition, at the next meeting.

3. From Mr. George A. Hardy, secretary, [illegible] Associated Industries Association of California, [illegible] concern to certain [illegible] [illegible] information relative [illegible] of their request.

The Superintendent was [illegible] not to accept this proposal [illegible] and having prove the Department's [illegible] rial or commercial [illegible]

A resolution [illegible] presented the following:

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IMP OVEMENT RESOLUTION	119	Additional shelving, kitchen	$ 59.65
" "	120	Maintenance, Repairs, shelter for fuel oil tank	32.14
" "	121	Moving and repairing cabin, 26	64.83
" "	122	New foundations and porches for 25 election booth cabins, moving 5 cabins to better locations	660.00
" "	123	Backing and paneling interior, increasing size windows, of 1 election booth cabin	111.73
" "	124	Construction new platform, permanent raft, Lake	40.82
" "	125	Re-edging dining-room cafeteria tables	87.00
			$1056.17

Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Rowlesom, Mr. Mourse.

The Camp Manager also requested approval for the purchase of approximately $1800.00 worth of rock and sand from the Transbay Construction Company, at Hetch Hetchy, depending upon price, also quantity available when construction operations close, in the near future. All necessary concrete work for the next several years would therefore be performed at a nominal cost, since the quotation represents an approximate saving of 50% over local prices. The Commission requested Mr. Center to inform the Camp Committee if a need arises for a decision before the next Commission meeting, in which event the committee was authorized to take immediate action.

Mr. Center requested the purchase of a metal dump body, capacity 2 yards, 7 feet, for the 1929 Ford Truck in service at Camp Mather, to provide economical transportation of bulk materials and miscellaneous hauling. The purchase was referred to the Camp Committee for consideration.

The Superintendent reported the following matters:

1. At her request, Mr. H. L. Pack submitted a preliminary report on the method to make the approaches section of Douglass Play ground safe from falling rock. It involves blasting, and would cost approximately $1400.00.

She recommended having Mr. Hyde Forbes, geologist, make a survey of the work necessary to remedy the existing condition.

The Commission authorized the Superintendent to negotiate with Mr. Hyde Forbes and find out his recommendations for correcting the present condition in Douglass Playground.

2. On Saturday, September 4, 1937, at 2:15 P.M., the San Francisco Negro Theatre Players will present "Chutesmatsu" at the Zoo Bowl of Sunset Amphitheatre, and the Press Consul is to assist preceding the performance. The Commission authorized the Superintendent to interchange the Press Consul.

3. She had been invited to see the Trumpeting Donkey Farm, developed by the Civilian Conservation Corps, and as she is a member of that Commission, she would appreciate same. The Commission authorized her attendance at Sunset Bowl, and also that day's outing for the City Men.

4. She asked Mr. Traung to report on the St. Mary's Slide. Mr. Traung said Public Control Commission investigation, as Engineers were employed by St. Mary's Park Association to determine the cause of the slide entirely. [illegible] and the Park Commission [illegible] the Park Association [illegible] Mr. Traung.

[illegible] Commissioner Traung to report on the condition, [illegible] Superintendent [illegible] Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Rowlesom, Mr. Mourse.

[illegible] Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Rowlesom, [illegible] Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Rowlesom, Mr. Mourse.

[illegible] Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Rowlesom, [illegible] Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Rowlesom, Mr. Mourse.

[illegible] Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Rowlesom, [illegible] Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Rowlesom, Mr. Mourse.

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at this time to effect this arrangement. Therefore on motion of Father Rowlesom, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Superintendent was authorized and directed to confer with Controller Harold Boyd, in company with the Business Manager, in an endeavor to set up whatever accounting procedure may be necessary through a trust fund, forwarded balances, or otherwise, so that such funds would be always currently available for purposes of maintaining, operating, and improving Camp Mather. Ayes: Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Rowlesom, Mr. Mourse.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Zella G. Downing

Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

Recreation Commission MEETING

San Francisco, October 6, 1937.

The regular meeting of theRecreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto

Absent: Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

MINUTES

The reading of the minutes of September 15, 1937 was postponed until the next regular meeting.

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Mr. W. E. McElvaney expressed his gratification for his recent promotion to the position of Business Manager, stated he would be happy to carry out the department policies, and is glad to be of service to the department.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received, and ordered filed:

1. From Dr. J. P. Gray, Director, Department of Public Welfare, notifying this department that they are unable to furnish any money for projects outlined in a summary drawn up by Mr. George Harman dated September 3, 1937, or for the St. Mary's Playground project.

The Superintendent reported Mr. C. E. Healy is anxious to secure approval of the St. Mary's project, and is continuing to help toward that end.

2. From Mr. W. G. Swanson, General Manager San Francisco Convention and Tourist Bureau, enclosing Mr. Alfred J. Cleary's letter assuring him that he shall endeavor to cooperate in every way possible to make the National Recreation Association Conference in 1939 a success, and to obtain the customary allotment.

The Convention Bureau's request was for $2000.00 based on approximate attendance. Consideration will be given to placing the balance of $6000.00 in next year's budget or requesting a special appropriation from the Board of Supervisors.

3. From Mr. H. J. Boyd, informing the department that transfers between appropriations or release of reserves within appropriations are not to be approved until December. The Business Manager reported this procedure will not hamper the necessary transactions of the department.

4. From Mr. H. J. Boyd, informing the department our 7¢ appropriation will yield $576,070.00 representing $8,464 less than estimated. On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission unanimously authorized the Superintendent and Business Manager to revise the budget appropriations accordingly.

5. From the Controller urging departmental development of W.P.A. projects to furnish employment to "white collar" workers. The Superintendent reported this department has established a "white collar" project for over 100 weeders, and is also employing men to spread red rock on paths.

6. A petition was received from the mothers and teachers interested in the Portola Nursery School requesting that it continue to be housed in the Portola Recreation Center. The petition was referred to the Superintendent.

7. From Mrs. G. Hicks, 120 Swiss Avenue, Secretary Glen Park Community Club, requesting development of a small triangular piece of property at Bernal Cut, Arlington Street, and Highland Avenue. The Commission's policy is not to develop playgrounds in small areas, because they are too costly to supervise. The Secretary was instructed to forward the request to the Park Commission for consideration.

8. From Mrs. Frieda Andersen, 501 Rolph Street, Secretary, Crocker Amazon Park Improvement Association, requesting that their organization be considered when a name is selected for the Crocker Amazon Playground. The matter was referred to the Superintendent.

9. From Mrs. H. T. Douglas, President Ingleside Roosters' Club, informing the Commission the Ocean View residents have signed a petition requesting the retention of a swimming pool in the plans for developing the playground. The Superintendent reported a swimming pool was not in the construction for this playground. The communication is to be answered accordingly.

10. From Mrs. C. H. Schnacke, Corresponding Secretary, San Francisco Parent Teacher Association, requesting development of Longfellow Playground. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the property has not been entirely purchased, that no money is available for additional purchase this year, and as the budget appropriations permit additional land will be required.

11. From Mr. C. B. Healy enclosing a request from Chief Quinn that the property at the rear of the Richmond Police Station on 7th Avenue, be converted into a playground. The Commission decided to inform that it is too small to be considered for playground development, and the supervision would be too costly.

12. From Mr. C. B. Harper requesting conversion of "Shag Rock Beach" in the Hunter's Point District into a suitable bathing beach. The Secretary was instructed to reply that the Commission is committed to a program of acquisition and development of several definite sites, and until such time as that plan is completed, it is inadvisable to consider any other projects.

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13. From Mrs. R. M. Theill, Vice-Principal Everett Jr. High School, expressing her great appreciation of our weekly bulletins.

The following financial transactions were on motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, unanimously approved:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

No. 22 Contractual(Water Bills)	$2000.00
No. 23 Contractual(Interdepartmental Work)	400.00
No. 24 Equipment - Miscellaneous	615.00

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 116 Purchase one metal dump truck, and new motor block 1929 Ford Truck, in service, Camp Mather..$ 245.00

" " 126 Purchase miscellaneous handicraft supplies for W.P.A. for 30 days, ending 10/15/'37..... 50.00

" " 127 Replacement 79 broken lights of glass, Portola Playground, estimate by Board of Public Works..... 112.89

" " 128 Plumbing repairs, by Board of Public Works, at Junior Museum..... 117.20

" " 129 Purchase 1200 lbs. blended grass seed.. 650.00

" " 131 Purchase Lot 20-A, Assessor's Block 6638, from Mr. Sicotte,Upper Noe Valley Playground..... 5500.00
Title Fee.... 45.00

" " 132 Purchase Magnavox for Visual Recreation Department..... 40.00

" " 130 covering settlement by Retirement Bureau with Mr. T. A. Neenan for personal injuries received in 1934 in the sum of $1382.92 was approved for payment, with the understanding that it be paid from the 1936-1937 Budget balance, if possible.

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The Secretary reported that the Recreation Department Exhibit in the Food Show, Civic Auditorium, would be on view from October 9-16 inclusive, and would include a small playground apparatus section, display from Junior Museum, a puppet theatre, and exhibit by garden club members. She also reported that forty playground children are to dance in the Columbus Day festivities at Aquatic Park on Sunday, October 10, 1937.

The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

1. She recommended the employment of a draftsman for one month to help in the preparation of necessary engineering plans. The Business Manager informed the Commission money is available from the July accrued surplus. On motion regularly moved and carried, the recommendation was approved.

2. The Recreation Department Hobby Show, scheduled for November 12-17, in the San Francisco Art Museum, promises to be most successful.

3. Plans are being developed for the proposed Recreation Institute of the National Recreation Association for February 1938, and the Honorary Committee has been selected. Present reports indicate its financial success.

4. The Northern California Recreation Conference is scheduled in San Francisco on November 8, 1937. The dinner session will be held in the St. Francis Yacht Club, and the Commissioners are invited to attend.

5. Glen Park and Cabrillo Playgrounds are ready for furnishing. Miss Mosgrove consented to follow up this matter.

6. She told of her visit to the Mendocino Woodlands Demonstration Recreation Project which is being constructed under the Federal Government's supervision. San Francisco is being considered as the municipality to operate this camp, because of its success at Camp Mather. The concensus of opinion of the Commissioners is that they cannot accept this proposition because it involves a rental expense, and furthermore they would not have complete control.

7. She is going on her vacation commencing Monday, October 11, 1937, and recommended that Mr. McElvaney sign all pay rolls and necessary papers in her absence. The Commission unanimously approved this recommendation, and appointed Mr. McElvaney acting head of the department during Miss Randall's absence.

Mr. Traung suggested changing the Commission's meeting days from the first and third Wednesdays to the first and third Thursdays of each month, because it is inconvenient to attend on Wednesdays. The consensus of opinion was that if this suggestion meets with the approval of the absent Commissioners, it be approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recreation Commission MEETING

San Francisco, October 20, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of September 15,1937 were unanimously approved as read.

The October 6, 1937 minutes were corrected, and then unanimously approved.

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The Chairman inquired if the Finance Committee had been able to arrange for the playground water to be supplied free of charge. The matter is still in their hands, and up to the present time little progress has been possible.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Business Manager was authorized to make a thorough study of the Crocker Amazon Playground with reference to cost of water and supervision, and what fees would be necessary to place this area on a self-supporting basis. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Nourse.

The Business Manager reported as follows:

1. The Controller had been requested to reimburse our funds in the sum of $6,727.00 representing cost of operating additional schoolyards during the summer period which would in part offset the reduction of $8,464.00 in our current appropriations. This was in keeping with our definite understanding with the Controller concerning schoolyard operation, as fully stated in letter of July 20th. The Controller advises that the entire matter has been in abeyance pending a ruling from the City Attorney.

2. The Commission's decision to pay all directors who are assigned to playgrounds from the new Civil Service list of eligibles, dated October 13, 1937, at 75¢ per hour instead of the present 65¢ rate, cannot be made effective, because of charter provisions, until it is included in next year's budget. It was suggested by Mr. W. Henderson that the Commission might wish to establish a differential rate, namely, a 75¢ minimum for new directors, and an 85¢ maximum for experienced directors.

The Superintendent has decided to retain the present employees working on the $65.00 per month basis, and to pay substitutes at the rate of 65¢ per hour, until the budget for next fiscal year is prepared, when the rate will be changed.

The Chairman asked the Civil Service Committee to investigate this entire matter, and make a report at the next meeting.

3. The Superintendent has expressed concern over the present fire hazard which exists at several of our units such as the Drama Studio, Junior Museum, and Carpenter Shop, and requested information from the Board of Education on their insurance experience. The Commission decided to defer action until the Superintendent's return at which time a list of all buildings to be insured can be prepared, and an estimate received on insurance costs, which if approved, could be included in next year's budget.

4. The Public Welfare Commission is assuming cost of handicraft supplies used in W.P.A. classes. Therefore our appropriation of $50.00 for this purpose for a one-month period, approved on September 15, 1937, was cancelled.

5. In the near future the Superintendent and Business Manager plan to go with the Finance Committee, when convenient, to see the Controller relative to the handling of Camp Mather funds.

6. A draftsman has been temporarily employed to assist in the preparation of engineering plans.

7. The Controller has requested the City Attorney's opinion on the transfer of funds from our 1936-1937 budget balances to pay Mr. T. A. Neenan's claim for personal injuries sustained in 1934, in the sum of $1382.92.

8. The attendance at our Food Show Exhibit was 13,089 this year, as against 9,109 last year.

9. Miss Mosgrove is securing information on suitable furnishings for Cabrillo and Glen Park Playgrounds.

10. A financial report of our first quarter shows the department to be about $1000.00 over its estimated budget.

11. The question of policy, in matters of purchasing equipment was brought up, and at this time the purchase of lawn-mower equipment for playgrounds, and a mimeograph machine for the office are being considered. We specified Toro Lawn Mower equipment and an A.B. Dick Mimeograph Machine for the reason that in both instances the equipment specified is more durable, would give longer life and more efficient service. The Purchaser has secured approval of his recommendation of equipment, and the Business Manager requested approval of his recommendation that the specified equipment be furnished. Mr. Traung, Chairman Finance Committee, stated that if good and sufficient reasons were shown for requesting the

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equipment specified, the Commission would give its approval. It was suggested, therefore, that letters to the Purchaser be prepared and submitted to the Finance Committee Chairman for approval.

Mr. Traung reported the Finance Committee rejected the bids for athletic supplies because they were too high. A report from other representative cities indicates our prices are higher than other communities. He has therefore secured Mr. Brooks's permission to buy samples from these communities in an effort to establish satisfactory standards and reduce the cost of such supplies. The Business Manager was authorized to secure samples of such standard athletic supply items from several representative cities as will permit a fair comparison and further consideration of this matter.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Mr. Traung, the Commission unanimously approved the following financial transactions:

Payment of Fairbanks Morse and Company's bill of $650.00 for pumping equipment, Potrero Hill.

TRANSFER REQUESTS

No. 25 Various transfers to accommodate work in progress at camp $1989.54

26 From 1936-1937 surplus to materials to offset cost of schoolyard operation 6727.13

28 From Permanent to Temporary Salaries Temporary Draftsman 225.00

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

No. 25 Various camp allotments to carry on maintenance work 1945.19

27 Noe Land 5545.00

29 Temporary Salaries 175.00

30 Glen Park Equipment 3000.00

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL ALLOTMENT No. 30

Equipment new field house, Glen Park Playground 3000.00

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTION 133

Purchase and install pneumatic hoist on body of Mack Truck 495.00

134 Hauling approximately 400 yds. crushed rock, 800 yds. sand (no cost) Hetch Hatchy to Mather Estimate 1500.00

135 Corona Heights Playground

Purchase lots 38,40, Assessor's Block 2621, from Hearst Est. Inc. $400.00

Title Fee 15.00 ..... 415.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Merchant reported as follows:

New crews are being organized under the W. P. A.'s supervision, and work on the lighting of James Rolph, Chinese and Mission Playgrounds should be underway soon.

The erection of the playground bleachers and work on Corona Heights is scheduled to start in the near future.

Some of the work on the Crocker Amazon field is unsatisfactory and will have to be regraded.

He presented a drawing of a small metal, portable convenience station for Dolores Horseshoe Courts, to cost approximately $500 set in position and bolted. This item represents an approximate saving of 20% on the previous type of convenience stations erected by this department. This item is to be considered when next year's budget is being made.

Mr. Merchant was authorized to have the W.P.A. wood carver make additional playground signs similar to the one at the Sigmund Stern Grove.

The Finance Committee Chairman inquired about two matters:

The work performed by Mr. H. B. Pack. It was decided to hold this in abeyance until the Superintendent's return.

The advisability of increasing the fees for the use of the Sigmund Stern Grove. Present rates have brought about a most satisfactory attendance, and the consensus of opinion is that it may be practical to charge a higher rate from self-supporting groups. Decision on this matter was postponed until next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was declared adjourned at 3:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

Recreation Commission MEETING

San Francisco, November 3, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. P. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Mourse
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of October 20, 1937 were unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATION

The following communication was received:

From Mr. C. Harold Caulfield, President San Francisco Board of Education, informing the Commission that the plans for the San Francisco Junior College necessitate the use of the entire acreage, formerly known as the Ingleside Jail Site. That property had been assigned to the Recreation Commission, and the Board of Education is now requesting that the land be made available for the educational needs of San Francisco. He further stated the school authorities are willing to make the recreation facilities available to the Recreation Department when not needed for school purposes.

The consensus of opinion was that the Commission wishes to keep faith with the neighborhood, in supplying its recreational needs, and at the same time is vitally interested in the welfare of San Francisco, including its educational program.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, Miss Kendall was unanimously authorized to draw a schedule of activities showing when, and under what conditions and requirements the Recreation Department would want the use of the Junior College property. She was furthermore instructed to confer with Mr. Joseph Mourse on this matter. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren, Mr. Mourse.

The Commissioners decided to visit this property before their next meeting, and to receive the Superintendent's report of her conference, before making a final decision.

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Mr. J.J.Phillips appeared before the meeting, and informed the members that the two blocks, adjoining the Sigmund Stern Grove, having a frontage on 19th Avenue and Wawona Street, can be acquired for $20,000.00, with an initial payment of $10,000.00, and deferred payments extending over three years. The city would receive immediate possession with the first payment, and four per cent interest together with taxes would be due on deferred payments. Mayor Rossi has expressed his approval of this purchase.

The Chairman explained the desirability of this acquisition which would make possible greater beautification of the Grove approach, and the establishment of additional recreation development and parking areas.

Mr. Phillips mentioned that at the joint meeting of the Board of Supervisors and several of the Recreation Commissioners, it was agreed that when the Recreation Commission made the second transfer of land from the Ingleside Recreation Site to the Board of Education, representative [illegible] Recreation Department was to be reimbursed for the land value, which was to be decided by the Director of Property. The price determined by Mr. Phillips was approximately $14,000.00. It was suggested that this amount be used for the initial payment for additional Grove land.

On motion of Mr. Mourse, seconded by Mr. Traung, the Commission decided to postpone this matter until the next Commission meeting, and in the meantime each Commissioner was requested to visit the property under consideration, and the Finance Committee was asked to look into the matter of payment. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

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On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following financial transactions were unanimously approved:

1. The continued employment, for the next sixty days, of the [illegible] draftsman who is working on staff [illegible] plan, [illegible] playground improvements, and lighting installation.

2. [illegible]
No. 31 Land, Corona
No. 33 Architects' fees
No. 34 Land, Grattan
No. 35 Title Fees, Corona

[illegible]
No. 28 Permanent to Temporary Salaries (Swimming Pools)

3. [illegible]
No. 28, appropriation $12,000.00
Architects' fees, Gunther Swimming [illegible]...$600.00

No. 34, Appropriation 713.600.07
Purchase of land for Grattan Playground $5000.00

No. 35, Appropriation 713.600.12
Title Fees on real estate for Corona Heights 75.00

4. IMPROVEMENT APPROPRIATIONS
No. 126, Purchase Electric Model Hashing Machine, Drama Studio 184.75

127, Corona Heights Playground, Appropriation 713.600.12
Purchase Lot 21, Assessor's Block 2621, from Henry H. Shed $200.00
Title Fee 12.50 $ 282.50

136, Cabrillo Playground, Appropriation 713.600.00
1 Oak Linotype Desk $ 75.00

139, Glen Park Playground, Appropriation 713.600.00
1 Oak Linotype Desk, 1 Swivel Chair $ 68.00

140, Glen Park
Gas Range, Card Tables, Auditorium Chairs, Frames, Stage Curtains, Venetian Blinds, Floor Coverings $1457.00

141, Cabrillo Playground
Gas Plate, Kindergarten Tables, Chairs, Drapes, Floor Coverings $ 350.00

142, Drama Department
One Klein Light with stand and table
One 500 Watt spotlight $ 42.00

143, Preston, Appropriation 713.600.11
Purchase Lot 12, Assessor's Block 1282, from G. H. Leisenring $3600.00

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported she and Mr. Center had recently made a careful study of the future possibilities of Camp Mather not only as a winter sports area, but as a summer camp area and that it could accommodate a much greater registration than is enjoyed at present.

She mentioned the excellent purchase the department made recently in acquiring a large quantity of rock and sand from Heron Heath for future construction purposes at Mather.

She also investigated the suitability of establishing a children's camp on nearby city-owned property covering 160 acres.

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Father Powleson reported he saw Mr. W. Henderson, and he performed the services asked of him by the Department. Mr. Henderson has not yet completed his report. That the present hourly rate for playground attendants can not be increased at this time from 65¢ to 75¢ per hour, because of Charter regulations. It must be considered at next budget making time.

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The Finance Chairman brought up the following items:

1. A letter from Nelson Lockart regarding free water for the playground was referred. Each city department is rendered a bill for its water consumption. The Chair is further investigating the possibility of having a general letter from the department, and receiving a special rate for all water used. The matter was referred to Mr. Traung to see Mr. Lewis Bell, President of the Public Utilities Commission with regard to the possibility of having the rental charge on hydrant water abolished.

2. [illegible] asked permission from the Diamond Steam Laundry to [illegible]. The Superintendent's opinion was that it would be advisable to have a study prepared showing whether or not it would be desirable to charge fees, not only at the Parks, but throughout the entire department. The Superintendent was instructed to prepare, within the next four weeks, a report showing the operating costs, facilities, activities, attendance, and present schedule of fees for the parks, and to recommend changes. She was also instructed to have a list of all recreations which would not be utilized in the event the present building known as the Diamond Steam Laundry [illegible] Park.

3. [illegible] the Recreation Center was to remain [illegible] through [illegible]. No reservations for 1938 were to be made until the new policy is determined.

[illegible] Mr. J. J. Phillips' services. The Superintendent [illegible] at the next meeting.

[illegible] the meeting was declared adjourned at [illegible].

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Present: Mrs.Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. P. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

Absent: Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 3, 1937 were unanimously approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mrs. A. C. Popkin, Corresponding Secretary Lawton Parent Teacher Association, requesting the Commission to consider in its new budget the supervision of the Lawton Schoolyard.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the request is to be referred to the Budget Committee when it meets, and the Lawton P.T.A. is to be notified accordingly. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

2. A petition was presented by Mr. F. W. Murray of the Loop Lumber Company, and signed by residents living near Bryant School, requesting the supervision of that schoolyard. The Commission referred this matter to the Budget Committee, and asked the Secretary to so notify those concerned.

3. A request was received from Supervisor Reilly that the Commission give consideration to the complaints received relative to St. Mary's Park, and correct as early as possible the present slide conditions. The Superintendent reported the geological survey was completed and plans were being drawn according to the recommendations made in the survey. Unless the work can be done by the W.P.A. it will be necessary to delay action until funds are provided in next year's budget. The Superintendent was instructed to so notify Supervisor Reilly.

4. From Mr. Wm. C. Merchant furnishing estimates for complete installation of a metal convenience station which will cost approximately $1000.00. It is proposed for the Dolores Horseshoe Links. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission referred the matter to the Superintendent for consideration at budget making time. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

5. A letter was received from Mr. W. H. Worden, accompanied by a communication from Mr. John J. Little, Superintendent Bureau of Building Inspection, stating that the second floor of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center building is unsuitable for ball games or use causing excessive deflection or vibration, and recommending the removal of the upper portion of the steeple because of its hazardous condition.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission unanimously decided to immediately discontinue on November 17, 1937 the activities on the 2nd floor of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center, and to cease operations on the 2nd floor of the Hayes Valley Recreation Center and Cottage on November 18, 1937, and to [illegible] the Hayes Valley Recreation Center and Cottage on November 18, 1937, and to [illegible] ing the Hayes Valley Recreation Center and Cottage on November 18, 1937, and to so notify the owners. The owners are to be asked if they wish to put the buildings in a safe condition. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Nourse.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Superintendent and Mr. J.J.Phillips were requested to look over the Hayes Valley District in an effort to locate a structurally safe building, suitable for the recreation needs of the neighborhood. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

6. From Mrs. J. Skewes-Cox, Recreation Chairman 2nd District, P.T.A., requesting an opinion on the possibility of securing [illegible] privately-owned property on the north side of Eddy Street between Hyde and Leavenworth Streets. The Superintendent reported that there is no money available for this purchase, or development. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. [illegible] letter was referred to the Superintendent for reply.

7. From Mr. W. F. Reverse, 500 Montgomery Street, secretary Property Owners Association of North Beach, requesting that the [illegible] for constructing a handball court at the North Beach Annex playground. [illegible] the district, one wanting this activity, and [illegible] was referred to Mr. W. J. Raffetto for investigation.

The Chairman mentioned the unsatisfactory conditions at Moulton Park. The Superintendent reported frequently the Board of Public Works has repaired the fence. The sidewalk is dangerous but the Board of Public Works will not repair it until this department corrects the drainage problem. To date, W.P.A. funds have not been appropriated for this purpose, but they are expected soon. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission is asked that this matter be considered unfinished business, and it was referred to the Superintendent for further action.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Commission decided to change their meeting days from the first and third Thursdays to the first and third Thursdays of each month, effective with the next regular meeting date. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

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Mr. Traung reported Mr. J. J.Phillips has secured the following purchase arrangements on the property adjoining Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove at 19th Avenue and Wawona Street: A sixty-day option on the property to be sold for $50,000.00, with a cash payment of $14,000.00, and the balance to apply over a four-year period at 4% interest.

The Superintendent was asked to give the report of her meeting with Mr. Nourse, since it has a bearing on the above matter. The Superintendent reported she met with Mr. Nourse and outlined the detailed program of activities which the Recreation Department would want to conduct in a Recreation Center for the Ingleside District. Since Mr. Nourse was unable to confer with Mr. A. J. Cloud, President of the San Francisco Jr. College, action will have to be deferred until a definite report is received from the Board of Education as to their activity requirements.

Mr. Traung made the following motion which was seconded by Miss Mosgrove and unanimously approved: That it is the consensus of opinion, if the deal is formulated with the Board of Education, regarding the Ingleside Tract, that a portion of the money, namely $14,000.00, of the entire sum to be obtained from the Board of Education, be used to meet the first payment for the purchase of property at 19th Avenue and Wawona Street which adjoins the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Ruffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

The following financial transactions were, on motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Ruffetto, approved as presented:

ALLOTMENT REQUESTS

No. 36	Draftsman 2 mos. @ $225.00		$450.00
37	Equipment Cabrillo Playground	$385.00	
	Equipment Drama Studio	230.00	615.00
38	Land Purchase, Corona Heights, from H.H.Shed		262.50
40	Land Purchase, Corona Heights, from A.K.Rehfield		250.00

INTRA-FUND TRANSFER

No. 39	Temporary Caretaker, 2 mos. @ $145	290.00

IMPROVEMENT REQUISITIONS

No. 144	Purchase of Tools for Pool Maintenance	60.92
145	Purchase Coil Floodlight base, stem	35.00
146	Purchase Steel Flagpole, Crocker-Amazon	168.00
147	Purchase 25 Arch File Boards for department units	83.69
148	Purchase land, Corona Heights, Lot 20, Assessor's Block 2651, from Augusta Kollman Rehfield	250.00
149	Purchase microscope for Junior Museum	25.00
150	Purchase 20 standard wood playground sign panels, to be lettered	168.80

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Ruffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

The Chairman asked Miss Mosgrove to look over the wicker furniture at Jackson Playground, and advise whether or not it is better to have it repaired or purchase new equipment.

The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

1. Urgent requests have been received that the fence at the James Rolph, Jr. Playground be heightened ten feet, and boys under 16 years of age be allowed to play baseball there. Mr. George Herman suggested three methods for increasing the height of the fence, and the least expensive is the so-called wooden telephone pole method, using poultry wire between the uprights. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously decided to increase the height of the James Rolph Jr. Playground fence ten feet, at the approximate cost of $1425.00, and to restrict the use of the field for baseball activities to boys under sixteen years of age. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Ruffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse.

2. She recommended that a fire insurance program for the Recreation Department be given consideration. The first step necessary is to furnish the brokers with a letter of authority to obtain the rate quotation for which cost figures can be submitted to this department. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission authorized a letter to the Board of Fire Underwriters requesting Mr. Herbert Hanley and Mr. Mark M. Meherin & Son, acting as insurance brokers, to secure for the Recreation Commission rates on properties under their control, with the understanding that the furnishing of this information will in no way obligate this department. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Ruffetto, Mr. Nourse, Father Powleson.

3. The Recreation Institute, under the National Recreation Association's auspices, is to be held from February 7 to March 4, 1938 at the University of California Extension Building on Powell Street, and university credits are to be given for the courses. The University of California has guaranteed $1500.00 from the Sigmund Stern Fund, which amount represents the necessary loan to the National Association. They meet a similar amount of the total Recreation Institute expense. It is expected that fees will entirely cover the amount pledged, and that the Sigmund Stern Fund will not have to be touched.

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4. She presented, in compliance with the Commission's request, a program of activities held at various playground centers, showing fees and memberships, and also information regarding Sigmund Stern Grove rates. The reports were referred to the Finance Committee for consideration, and they are to report their recommendations to the Commission.

5. Mr. H. B. Pack is entirely responsible for the inspection of the following W.P.A. projects at this time, representing improvements totalling approximately $382,000.00 as follows: Crocker Amazon, $150,000.00; Glen Park, $120,000.00; Ocean View $100,000.00; Potrero Hill $12,000.00. He submits a written report to the Superintendent each week showing the progress of the work performed.

6. There is a possibility that the Board of Directors of the Girls' Club and Vacation Home at 362 Capp Street may wish to offer their building to the Recreation Department. The building houses a little theatre, gymnasium, and club rooms, and would be excellently suited for activities such as are conducted in the Drama Studio. The Superintendent was asked to secure complete details regarding this center, if it is offered.

7. She inquired if it is the wish of the Commission to continue the W. P. A. Recreation Project. They approved renewing the project, providing conditions are satisfactory, and this department has full control of its program. The Commission advised the Superintendent to have the new project approved, in writing, in the correct manner by the proper representatives, in order to protect this department's interest.

Mr. George Allen, President of the Central Council of Civic Clubs, appeared before the Commission and requested them to consider the establishment of a playground on Telegraph Hill, on city property facing on Chestnut Street. The matter was not favorably received by the Park Commission. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the request was referred to the Grounds Committee for report at the next meeting.

Mr. J. P. Nourse reported that representatives from the Redding School requested the Board of Education to endorse the establishment of additional playground facilities in their district, and referred the matter to him to bring before the Recreation Department. The Commission realizes the need, but is not in a position to make a commitment.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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Recreation Commission SPECIAL MEETING

San Francisco, November 24, 1937.

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 10 a.m. for the purpose of considering salary standardization. Mrs.Sigmund Stern presided.

Present: Mrs.Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. P. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mr. Joseph P. Mourse

The Chairman informed the members that the Commission received notice two days' ago that the Recreation Department's hearing before the joint meeting of the Salary Standardization Advisory Board and Civil Service Commission relative to salary standardization is scheduled for Wednesday evening, November 24, 1937.

Father Powleson, Chairman of the Civil Service Committee of the Recreation Commission, suggested submitting a protest today, requesting that this department's hearing be deferred until their next meeting, in order to give his committee and theRecreationCommission an opportunity to make a thorough study of the salary standardization recommendations.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the Commission adopted the recommendation of Father Powleson, Chairman Civil Service Committee, namely, that a letter be sent to the Civil Service Commission today to the effect that the standardization of certain salaries in the Recreation Department are not in accord with Charter provisions, and therefore the Recreation Commission requests a hearing on these items at their next meeting, at which time the Recreation Commission shall be prepared to present data showing that the amounts are not comparable with those paid in other governmental jurisdictions, nor are they equitable to compensation received in other positions in the City and County of San Francisco for similar duties and responsibilities.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Raffetto, Mr. Traung, Father Powleson, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent presented a Report on Salary Standardization,for the individual Commissioners. She reported that Mr. Franz Foehr has also presented a report of his own case which is being sent direct to the Civil Service Department.

The Civil Service Committee decided to hold their next meeting on Tuesday, November 30, 1937 at 3 P.M. in Room 370 City Hall.

During the meeting, the Commissioners expressed the following opinions:
1. It is advisable to request the City Attorney to inform this Department if the position of the Superintendent of Recreation is subject to Salary Standardization since it is not a Civil Service position;
2. The salary range for the Superintendent of Recreation should start with a minimum of $600.00;
3. The Camp Assistants at Mather should not be subject to Civil Service appointment.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

Recreation Commission

San Francisco,

Recreation Commission

San Francisco. December 2, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2P.M. with Mrs. Sigmund Stern presiding.

Present: Mrs. Sigmund Stern
Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. P. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of November 17, 1937 were read. On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Father Powleson, they were corrected, relative to the Ingleside Site, and then approved.

The minutes of the Special Meeting of November 24, 1937 were unanimously approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mr. J. A. Ormond, Secretary Board of Education, acknowledging receipt of the Superintendent of Recreation's letter of November 30, 1937 in which she requested the Board of Education to make the payment of $15,000.00 to this Commission for the 3.7673 acres transferred by this Commission to them for their Junior College Site by Recreation Commission resolution dated April 7,1937. His reply indicated the matter will be considered soon.

Mr. J.J.Phillips explained that the land value was determined on the basis of $4000.00 per acre.

In order to expedite matters, Mr. Nourse volunteered to see Mr. J. A. Ormond relative to receiving written approval of this proposition by the Board of Education.

Mr. Nourse reported he saw Mr. A. J. Cloud relative to Miss Kendall's report on the requested recreation program for the Ingleside Site. On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, Miss Kendall and Mr. Nourse were authorized to immediately report to the Finance Committee, in writing, their agreement on the use of the Ingleside Site, after which time the Finance Committee is to act upon it, and bring in a report at the next Commission meeting, for the Recreation Commission's approval or rejection.
Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

2. From Mr. J.J.Phillips advising the Commission that his records show the school lot, located between 27th and 28th Avenues, Cabrillo and Fulton Streets, was set aside for use as a playground on May 19, 1908. The Board of Education recently authorized him to advertise and sell this land.

The Superintendent reported the Recreation Department has been anxious to develop this suitable playground area for several years, but has no money, and recently had it approved as a W.P.A. project. The residents, in the neighborhood, are anxious that it be developed.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously requested that a letter be sent to the Board of Education asking them to notify the Director of Property to withdraw the school property, located between 27th and 28th Avenues, Cabrillo and Fulton Streets, from sale, thereby allowing the permit of May 19, 1908 to remain unchanged. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren. The Secretary was instructed to forward the necessary letter.

3. From Mr. Lloyd W. Wilson, Chairman Recreation Council, Community Chest, requesting the Commission to name its delegates on the council for 1938. On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Mr. Nourse, the Commission elected that Miss Alicia Mosgrove and Miss Josephine Kendall, the two last Delegates, be reappointed to serve for 1938. The Secretary was asked to reply.

4. From Mr. F. Franklin Bell, Executive Vice President, Golden Gate International Exposition, expressing appreciation for the participation of playground children in the pre-Exposition festivities held November 13, 1937.

5. A detailed report, dated November 8, 1937, from the Business Manager on the purchase of athletic supplies was read. He explained generally selection of items of a group the Department feels are suitable for its purposes, and then to purchase them to establish a reference to known brands, rather than submitting detailed specifications for the construction of various items of athletic goods.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the Commission accepted the Business Manager's report, and requested that he be allowed to carry out the purchase of these items in the manner outlined in the report. Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Nourse, Mr. McLaren.

The Superintendent reported as follows, matters:

1. The Board of Directors of the Girls' Club have tentatively agreed to offer the Recreation Commission their two buildings, located at 350 Fell Street, and in Redwood City, as a gift, with the understanding the Commission is to assume the mortgage of $[illegible].00. Mr. Phillips advised the Superintendent it is possible, if agreeable to the Commission, to work out a plan for its acquisition.

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On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the matter was referred to the Camp and Activities Committee to report on the details concerning this offer at the next Recreation Commission meeting.

2. She spoke to Mr. C. E. Healy relative to the James D. Phelan Beach. He informed her the Recreation Department would have to provide $7,000.00, as the sponsor's contribution, in order for the necessary drainage work to be performed as a W.P.A. project. The only money this department might be able to make available would be the $2856.45 from the Ingleside W.P.A. project which amount would require the formal approval, by the Recreation Commission, for transfer.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Mr. Raffetto, the Superintendent and Business Manager were authorized to notify Mr. Healy this is the only fund the Recreation Commission has available, and report their findings to the Commission at the next meeting.

3. She saw Mr. Edward G. Cahill about the possibility of securing wholesale water rates for the Recreation Department, but was not given encouragement. Mr. Traung stated he had seen Mr. Nelson A. Eckart relative to this matter, and plans to see the Mayor in an effort to work out a suitable plan.

4. The Crocker Amazon tennis courts are completed.

5. Communications were received from Mr. W. H. Worden requesting the Commission to repair the dangerous sidewalks fronting on the North Beach Playground. The Superintendent reported this department has never assumed the repair of sidewalks, because it is customary for the Board of Public Works to take care of this work. Therefore letters have been sent to Mr. Worden, indicating the customary procedure. The Superintendent was asked to keep the Commission informed on the subject.

6. She and Mr. Gene Riordan, Real Estate Department, have not as yet found a satisfactory location to house the activities formerly conducted in the Hayes Valley Recreation Center.

Mr. Traung, Chairman Finance Committee, requested that in future the members of his committee meet at 1:45 P.M. on Commission meeting days, and take up the financial transactions in order to save time during the meeting.

Mr. Traung stated he intends to submit his recommendations, on a suitable policy for revenues for use of playground facilities, and the Sigmund Stern Recreation Grove, at the next regular meeting.

Miss Mosgrove reported she saw the wicker furniture at Jackson Playground which needs repairing, and recommended that it be done.

On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, the following Financial Transactions were approved:

IMPROVEMENT RESOLUTIONS

No. 151	Repair of Wicker Furniture, Jackson Playground.....	$ 60.00
152	Concrete sandbox, Argonne Playground.....	96.16
153	Truck Rental, moving rock to Gilman Playground.....	196.98
154	Extension concrete retaining wall, Clement Tennis Cts.	74.92
155	Drafting Instruments, engineering tools.....	40.00
156	Six Doubles Tennis Court Nets.....	100.00
157	Grattan Playground, Appropriation 713.600.11 Purchase of lot 23, Assessor's Block 1283, from Alexander W. and Eufalia P. Lukashevich.....	4837.50
158	Upper Noe Valley Playground, Appropriation 713.600.02 Purchase of Lot 35, Assessor's Block 6538, from Anna and William Guinn.....	7130.00

TRANSFER RESOLUTION

No. 41	From Auto Mire to Truck Hire Moving Rock to Gilman Beach Property.....	200.00

W.P.A. MATCHING TRANSFER

No. 43	Extension concrete retaining wall, Clement Tennis Courts.....	75.00

APPROPRIATION ALLOTMENT

No. 44	Acquisition of Land, Noe Valley District	7130.00
45	Acquisition of Land, Grattan District.....	4837.50

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse.

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The Business Manager reported the City Attorney's ruling of November 9th, 1937 authorized the transfer of $1924.01 from the Recreation Commission's 1935-1936 funds to carry over as Recreation Commission revenue for this fiscal year. This amount represents the balance in the Angelo J. Rossi Playground purchase fund. In order to effect the transfer of this amount the Commission took the following action: On motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Board of Supervisors were asked to re-appropriate the funds as enumerated.

Appropriating a supplemental appropriation of $1,924, the surplus existing in the Recreation Fund Appropriation No. 513.000.04, to the credit of Appropriation No. 713.[illegible] to accommodate completion of drainage system, including gutters and catch basins along Arguello Boulevard side of Rossi Playground, as a W.P.A. project.

Be It Ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco, as

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follows: Section 1. The sum of $1,924 is hereby appropriated and set aside out of the surplus existing in the Recreation Fund Appropriation No. 513.000.04, to the credit of Appropriation No. 713.500.00 to accommodate completion of drainage system, including gutters and catch basins, along Arguello Boulevard side of Rossi Playground, as a W.P.A. project.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse.

The Business Manager reported, Mr. Harry D. Ross, Chief Assistant Controller, suggested the passage of a resolution to take care of the following emergency financial transactions. Therefore, on motion of Mr. Traung, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously passed the following resolution:

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR EMERGENCY APPROVAL OF ALLOTMENTS AND TRANSFERS OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Charter expressly provides that boards and commissions shall give their specific approval to allotments and transfers of funds; and

WHEREAS, in many instances such transfers or allotments are necessary to meet exigencies of operation such as pay rolls, and so forth; and

WHEREAS, it is not always possible or convenient to prepare such transfers or allotments prior to regular meetings of the Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved that in any such emergency, the Business Manager, with the approval of the Superintendent, is hereby authorized and directed to secure the tentative approval by telephone of at least four of the commissioners of any such allotments, transfers or other financial transactions, and to make formal request therefor on the Controller in the usual manner, with the understanding that such action will have the ratification of the Commission as a whole at its next regular meeting thereafter.

Ayes: Mrs. Stern, Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson, Mr. Mourse, Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Raffetto reported on the following matters:

1. He advised against completing the handball court at North Beach Annex, until such time as the Commission has sufficient money to build a proper unit. The Superintendent stated she would have the present structure removed.

2. The city property, facing on Chestnut Street, which is located on Telegraph Hill is too valuable to consider for playground purposes, and furthermore it is too small to satisfactorily develop for recreation use.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

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San Francisco, December 16, 1937.

The regular meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 2 P.M. with Mr. Chas. F. Traung presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse
Mr. John McLaren

Absent: Mrs.Sigmund Stern (On Leave)

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of December 2, 1937 were on motion regularly moved and carried, approved as read.

COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were received and ordered filed:

1. From Mr. J.H. McCallum, President Leavenworth-McAllister Realty Corporation, inquiring if the Recreation Commission would reconsider using the Hayes Valley RecreationCenter if the building is put in a safe condition, satisfactory to the Bureau of Building Inspection.

The Superintendent reported she was not been able to locate a suitable building in the Hayes Valley District, to house the Hayes Valley Recreation Center activities. The cost of lighting the girls' side of Margaret S. Hayward Playground for night activity would be at least $5000.00, and the ground could not be used during rainy weather. It may be advisable to continue using the present Hayes Valley Recreation Center until a satisfactory solution to the problem isfound. In that event, the building should be painted, as well as made safe for recreation activities.

She further reported Mr. McCallum has verbally informed her that taxes are delinquent on the property from the time this department assumed the rental, namely, July 1, 1932. Mr. J.J.Phillips informed her there is nothing in writing indicating this department is legally responsible for the taxes, the only understanding was that the Recreation Commission was to pay a rental of $100 per month, on a month to month basis.

The Business Manager has ascertained that at the present time delinquent taxes and penalties on the property amount to $1803.44, the larger portion of which represents taxes during the Recreation Commission's occupancy.

Mr. Dion Holm, Assistant City Attorney, suggested that the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors be requested to cancel all taxes during the period the Recreation Commission occupied the premises, since they were used for the public's benefit.

The Chairman, with the Commission's approval, referred the matter to the Superintendent, and Business Manager, to work out the necessary details with Mr. J.J. Phillips, and have the Leavenworth-McAllister Realty Corporation agree to put the building in a safe condition, and also to endeavor to arrange for the painting of the building.

2. From Mr. J. Lamb, Secretary Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association, 483 Valley Street, requesting the Commission to include $150,000. in its 1938 budget for the purchase of land in the Upper Noe Valley Playground site. The request was referred to the Budget Committee.

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The following selection [illegible] the Commission to [illegible] interest of securing an appropriation in next year's budget for the Upper Noe Valley Playground, of not less than $50,000.: Mr. J. Lamb, President, Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association; Mr. [illegible] Cole, Mr. J.Lamb, Secretary, Upper Noe Valley Improvement Association; Mr. [illegible] President with one Castro Improvement Club, 24 Whitney Street.

The Chairman assured [illegible] organization their request will be referred to the Budget Committee and will be given careful consideration.

3. From Miss Amelia Anderson, Chairman Entertainment Service, Recreation Council, Community Chest, expressing their desire to cooperate with the Recreation Commission's plans for increasing San Francisco's recreation facilities. The Secretary was instructed to thank her for her kind offer.

4. From Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein, The Temple of Jewish Culture, 2860 Clay Street, commending the Commission [illegible] Department.

The Superintendent reported on the following matters:

1. She suggested the [illegible] in England, and Polestar, [illegible] Balls on January 4th. The [illegible] cisco bring their [illegible] they could be trained and where [illegible] plate some such [illegible] Recreation curriculum.

On motion of Mr. Raffetto, seconded by Miss Mosgrove, and [illegible] unanimously carried the recommendation was approved [illegible] out, provided it [illegible] the approval of the [illegible]

2. The new W.P.A. project recreation [illegible]

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Department's credited contribution of $13,020.00,which includes $9,600.00 for supervision and $3,420.00 for rental of offices and equipment, has come up for approval. Miss Mosgrove moved that, on behalf of the Recreation Commission, this project be accepted as presented by the Superintendent. Father Powleson seconded the motion which was unanimously carried.

3. Approval was received for the transfer of $2856.45 from the W.P.A. Ingleside Project to the W.P.A. Phelan Beach Project for the correction of drainage conditions. Mr. Healy stated he will start work immediately, and will secure the balance of the money needed, which is approximately $4000.00, from some other source.

4. An accident occurred on Father Crowley Playground on December 14, 1937. A Mrs. Julia Dinmitratos, of 151 Russ Street, and her baby fell from a swing. Mr. Dinmitratos reported the baby received a slight injury, and his wife was also hurt, and he therefore requested a doctor. On advice of Mr. Dion Holm, Assistant City Attorney, a city doctor was ordered. Mr. Holm assured the department that this action would not admit liability on the part of the Recreation Commission.

The Superintendent reported that the apparatus had been inspected regularly, and was considered to be in a safe condition. A thorough inspection of all apparatus is now being made.

The Commission suggested placing appropriate signs on all playground apparatus sections advising persons over a certain age not to use the equipment.

The Commission placed the matter in the hands of the Superintendent.

5. Cabrillo Playground. Authorization was given for the dedication of this playground, and the Superintendent was empowered to make the necessary arrangements with the Mayor, Improvement Clubs, Parent Teacher Association and other representatives, for an appropriate ceremony.

6. Information is being obtained regarding the operation of bowling greens and a report will be rendered at the next meeting of the Commission.

7. She presented the Commissioners with copies of the Recreation Training Institute booklet, and stated arrangements for the school are progressing satisfactorily.

Miss Mosgrove reported on the Girls Club, at 362 Capp Street. She presented a map of the district, showing the public and parochial schools, playgrounds and gymnasiums in the district, which reveals a large school population and excellent playground attendance. The activities of the music and drama departments could advantageously be held in this center. She further recommended that in the event the Commission is favorably inclined toward accepting the center, a report should be made by the Fire Department relative to possible fire hazards.

The Commission referred the matter to the Superintendent to take up with Mr. JJ. Phillips, and authorized her to submit a plan at next Commission meeting whereby this department can legally assume the $6000.00 now held against the property. If satisfactory arrangements can be effected, then the Commission can take the necessary steps to complete the transaction.

On motion of Miss Mosgrove, seconded by Father Powleson, the Commission unanimously approved the following financial transactions which were previously approved by the Finance Committee:

TRANSFER OF W.P.A. FUND TRANSFER NO.47

W.P.A. Ingleside Project to W.P.A. Phelan Beach Project, for correction of drainage conditions.....$2856.48

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE

No. 194 General Painting, Lettering Mission and North Beach Swimming Pools.....$ 189.36

No. 195 Miscellaneous plumbing repairs per detail in letter of December 7, 1937.....$ 236.31

No. 196 Install drain at Sunset Boys, Mission Swimming Pool.....$ 64.14

No. 197 Appraisal of property for Eureka Valley Playground $ 50.00

No. 198 Appraisal of property Gratton Playground.....$ 25.00

No. 199 Appraisal of property Longfellow Playground.....$ 50.00

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Treanor, Mr. Peffetto, Father Powleson, Mr.Nourse, Mr. Nelson.

The following report relative to the Ingleside Site, signed by the Finance Committee members, was presented by the Chairman:

"Pursuant to action taken at the Recreation Commission meeting December 2nd, wherein matter of joint use of recreational facilities and provisions of

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recreation areas at Ingleside with the Board of Education was referred to the Finance Committee for investigation and recommendation, we submit the following for your consideration:

First - That a suitable area near the street be set aside for a small children's area and club house. This unit should consist of at least one and a half acres.

Second - That an agreement be made with the Board of Education that the following facilities of the Junior College be used for recreation activities of the Recreation Department on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, and during the vacation period as well as at other times when not required for school purposes after school on week days, and under the supervision of the Recreation Commission:

(a) COURTS

Tennis, Basketball, Volley Ball, Handball, Horseshoe

(b) ATHLETIC FIELDS

Football, Baseball, Soccer, Softball, Archery

(c) BUILDINGS

Gymnasium, Showers, Dressing Rooms, Auditorium, Choral Room

Further, it is understood and agreed that the Board of Education confirms the purchase from the Recreation Commission of a certain parcel of land about three and three-quarter acres, which was verbally agreed to, at a conference in the Mayor's Office. The value of this property was left to appraisement by the Municipal Real Estate Department, who have put a value on the property of Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000.00).

The Board of Education also agrees to grant permission to the Recreation Commission to use the property located on 27th Avenue, near Fulton Street, for recreation purposes.

In consideration of the above, the Recreation Commission agrees to deed to the Board of Education, all the land in this area with the exception of one and a half acres, and three-quarters of an acre located in the same area to be set aside for the building of the Junior Museum. It is the desire of the Recreation Commission to retain this two and one-quarter acres facing on Lincoln Avenue and Ocean Avenue, where the baseball and soccer fields are now on the plot plan of the San Francisco Junior College, on part of which the Junior Museum now stands.

The Recreation Commission agrees that should the Board of Education acquire some additional property in this area, they will be willing to consider the exchange of this area for another one that is satisfactory to the Recreation Commission.

(Signed) Chas. [illegible], President
Leo Powleson "
M. J. Peffetto "

On motion of Father Powleson, seconded by Mr. Peffetto, the above written recommendation of the Finance Committee, dated December 14, 1937, was accepted and approved by the Recreation Commission, and the Finance Committee was empowered by the Recreation Commission to complete the transaction with the Board of Education.

Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Treanor, Mr. Peffetto, Father Powleson, Mr.Nourse.
Noes: Mr. McLaren.

Mr. Treanor stated he is postponing the submission of his suggestion on the revenue policy, until the next Commission meeting. The Commission thereafter approved presenting Sigmund Stern Grove reservations in the present rules until the new policy is adopted.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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San Francisco. December 29, 1937.

CAMP AND ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

A meeting of the Camp and Activities Committee was held this day at 10a.m. in Room 370 City Hall, with Miss Mosgrove presiding.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Father Powleson
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

The Camp Manager presented the following report for the consideration of the Camp and Activities Committee:

A - Civil Service status of temporary employees at Camp Mather.

Since the Civil Service ruling limits part-time workers to not more than five hours' work per day, and since our Camp employees must work more than five hours per day, it was deemed advisable to refer the matter to our Legal and Civil Service Committee to work out a satisfactory solution with the Civil Service Commission.

B - Camp Expansion.

On motion of Mr. Nourse, seconded by Mr. McLaren, the committee unanimously accepted the camp expansion program outlined by the Camp Manager, and approved by the Superintendent, as follows:

1. Camp to be expanded to accommodate 1000 guests.
2. Facilities to be planned for winter as well as summer use.
3. Plans to be drawn to the end that periodic construction of units will create a unit whole as pre-planned.
4. 1938-39 Budget to include request for capital appropriations for:
   - Recreation Hall (to be unit of new lodge)
   - Approximately 50 additional cabins
   - New bath house
   - Funds for detailed planning.

C - Reservations.

The Camp Manager was authorized to alter the present registration system so that people can make reservations earlier in the year. He was empowered to establish a registration fee which would carry a penalty in the event the person did not follow the regulations set up by this department.

The Committee approved the recommended camp season for 1938, i.e. from Friday, June 10 until Sunday September 18, 1938.

D - Public Utilities Commission Property.

The Superintendent recommended the establishment of a children's summer organization camp, near Camp Mather on Public Utilities Commission property known as Ike Eye. This location, which includes approximately 160 acres, is ideally situated for this purpose.

The Camp Manager recommends that the Public Utilities Commission be requested to turn over the auto camp to this department in order that it may be used for cabin sites, instead of continuing its present use; also that the [illegible] use of houses at Mather [illegible] this department.

The Camp Committee recommended that the Recreation Commission write to the Public Utilities Commission requesting the transfer of the Ike Eye land, and the auto camp property to this Commission, and that activities at [illegible] houses at Mather.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

[signature]
Secretary

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SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Recreation Commission was held this day at 10 a.m. in Room 370 City Hall, with Mr. Chas. F. Traung presiding. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the Girls Club at 362 Capp Street.

Present: Miss Alicia Mosgrove
Mr. Chas. F. Traung
Mr. Wm. J. Raffetto
Father Leo W. Powleson

Absent: Mrs. Sigmund Stern(On leave)
Mr. John McLaren
Mr. Joseph P. Nourse

The Chairman reported, if the Commission officially goes on record that it is desirous of acquiring the Girls Club property at 362 Capp Street, the land and buildings can be acquired in the following manner:

If the Controller approves, the necessary money, i.e. $6000.00, can be obtained from the present Recreation Commission's Budget by transferring surplus funds from budgeted items, or

The property could be committed to a trustee, and an agreement made that he be repaid when the necessary budgeted amount in the 1938-39 Budget is made available, or over a period of three years.

Either of the above methods would make it possible for the Recreation Commission to acquire immediate possession of the property.

The Superintendent reported that members of the Girls Club Board have offered to assist the Commission, in an advisory capacity, in any way desired. They requested the Recreation Commission's favorable consideration in retaining one of the workers at the club, a Miss Margaret Hall, and recommended the continuance of the following clubs: young married couples, young mothers, and older mothers.

Miss Mosgrove made the following motion which was seconded by Mr. Raffetto, and unanimously carried:

The Recreation Commission is desirous of acquiring the Girls Club property, situated at 362 Capp Street, and requested that the details for its acquisition be left in the hands of the Finance Committee which is to bring back a report to the Recreation Commission at their next regular meeting.
Ayes: Miss Mosgrove, Mr. Traung, Mr. Raffetto, Father Powleson.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vesta F. Conway
Secretary

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